

Appointment of Members of Royal Indian Navy, Indian Army and Indian Air Force. Appointment of Members of Dominion and Overseas Forces.

Vacancies in Fourth and Fifth Classes not taken up by Dominion and Overseas Forces may be transferred.

Names submitted for appointment to the Civil Division to be submitted to the Sovereign by the Prime Minister.

Names submitted for appointment to the Military Division to be submitted to the Sovereign by the First Lord of the Admiralty or the Secretaries of State for War or Air.

Members to receive Warrants of appointment to the Order.

Precedence of the Order.

Precedence of Knights Grand Cross.

Precedence and Style of Dames Grand Cross.

Precedence of Knights Commanders.

Precedence and Style of Dames Commanders.

Precedence of Commanders.

Precedence of Officers.

Precedence of Members.

XX. It is Ordained that in each Class of the Military Division the persons who may be appointed on the recommendation of Our First Lord of the Admiralty may include Members of Our Royal Indian Navy, and that the persons who may be appointed on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for War may include Members of Our Indian and Burma Armies, and that the persons who may be appointed on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Air may include Members of Our Indian Air Force, and that the persons who may be appointed on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs or Our Secretary of State for the Colonies shall be Members of Our Dominion and other Overseas Defence Forces; but that in the Fourth and Fifth Classes of the Military Division in any year in which Our Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs and Our Secretary of State for the Colonies do not desire to recommend for appointment members of such Defence Forces to the full number permitted, an addition may be made to the number of appointments which may be made on the recommendation of Our First Lord of the Admiralty, Our Secretary of State for War and Our Secretary of State for Air (but so that the number of appointments made in that year on the recommendation of Our First Lord of the Admiralty, Our Secretary of State for War, Our Secretary of State for Air, Our Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs, and Our Secretary of State for the Colonies together do not exceed the provision authorised).

XXI. It is Ordained that the name of every person, other than a foreign person, to be appointed to be a Member of any Class of the Civil Division of this Order shall be laid before Us, Our heirs and successors, by Our Prime Minister, and that the name of every person, other than a foreign person, to be appointed to be a Member of any Class of the Military Division shall be laid before Us, Our heirs and successors by Our First Lord of the Admiralty, Our Secretary of State for War, or Our Secretary of State for Air as may be appropriate.

XXII. It is Ordained that when We, Our heirs or successors, shall be pleased to nominate and appoint any person to this Order such appointment shall be made by Warrant under Our Royal Sign Manual sealed with the Seal of this Order and countersigned by the Grand Master of the said Order.

XXIII. It is Ordained that this Order shall rank next to and immediately after our Royal Victorian Order, that in all solemn Ceremonies, Places and Assemblies the Knights Grand Cross of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately after the Knights Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order, that the Dames Grand Cross of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately before the wives of Knights Grand Cross of the MOST HONOURABLE ORDER OF THE BATH, and may on all occasions have, use and enjoy the appellation and style of Dame before their Christian or first names, that the Knights Commanders of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately after the Knights Commanders of the ROYAL VICTORIAN ORDER, that the Dames Commanders of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately before the wives of Knights Commanders of the MOST HONOURABLE ORDER OF THE BATH, and may on all occasions have, use and enjoy the appellation and style of Dame before their Christian or first names, that the men who are Commanders of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately after the Members of the Third Class of the ROYAL VICTORIAN ORDER and the women who are Commanders of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately before the wives of Companions of the MOST HONOURABLE ORDER OF THE BATH, that the men who are Officers of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately after the Members of the Fourth Class of the Royal Victorian Order and the women who are Officers of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately before the wives of Members of the Fourth Class of the Royal Victorian Order, that the men who are Members of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately after the Members of the Fifth Class of the Royal Victorian Order and that the women who are Members of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately before the wives of Members of the Fifth Class of the Royal Victorian Order.