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Imperial Warrant Officer

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Description: Imperial Warrant Officer
Prefix: ID
Detachment: Imperial Officer Corps
Context: Star Wars Episodes IV and VI

Warrant Officers, serving generally as non-commissioned enlisted officers, do not have a specific task as other ranks do. These officers instead specialize in particular fields that other crew members have little or no knowledge of. Among other duties, Warrant Officers are efficient shuttle pilots, technical crew leads, tractor beam and shield generator operators.

The 501st approval requirements are listed in black.

The Imperial Officer Corp Detachment defines additional, optional levels of costuming excellence. In the page below, items listed in blue are optional features that will improve the quality of the costume. Items listed in red are intended to further enhance the finished costume.

For 501st membership only the requirements in black need to be met.

This Visual Guide has been reviewed by the detachment staff and the LMO team and is certified for use as a minimum approval guideline for GMLs. GMLs are free to approve this costume type.

- Any uncertainties or questionable aspects of the submitted costume should be brought to the appropriate DL/GML peer review section of the legion forum.

Required Costume Components

The following costume components are present and appear as described below.

Imperial Hat, black
For 501st approval:

- Fabric is a medium weight suiting material matching the pants and tunic if applicable.
    - ♦ Gabardine style weave is most accurate.
- Base of the hat is conical, with a crown about 4" (101.6 mm) tall.
- Front and rear "flaps" overlap on the sides and are about 4" (101.6 mm) high.
- Front bill extends 3" down, decorated with 6 or 7 concentric stitches.
- Imperial Code Disk is positioned in the center of the front vertical flap.

For level two certification (if applicable):

- Code Disk has a notch detail on the outermost disk.

For level three certification (if applicable):

- Code disk exactly matches screen-used prop.

Tunic, Black
For 501st approval:

- Fabric should be a medium weight suiting material exactly matching the pants. Gabardine style weave is most accurate.
- Tunic is double-breasted with a left over right closure on the tapered yoke.
- Yoke comes up across the shoulder to the top shoulder seam.
- The standing collar has square corners and is about 1.25" (31.8 mm) tall and closes snugly and includes a modesty panel behind closure. Collar edges are closed with two eye hooks.
- Sleeves are long, and without decoration, cuffs or buttons, containing 2 seams, one along the bottom and one along the back.
- Rank bars of any kind are not permitted.

For level two certification (if applicable):

- There is a dart of about 2" (50.8 mm) in the top center of the yoke.
- Additionally there is a seam running the entire circumference of the tunic, dividing it along a line hidden by the uniform belt.
- The back of the tunic has princess seams that run vertically and turns outward to intersect the arm-hole seam at the vertical center.

For level three certification (if applicable):

- Tunic must be secured on the right side by snaps or buttons, not Velcro. There is no topstitching visible anywhere and it must have a lining sewn in.
- The Warrant Officers in ANH wear a uniquely designed tunic with subtle differences that are only seen in ANH. Costumers may choose to replicate this design in lieu of the standard officer tunic, but only if doing the ANH Navy Trooper. Navy Troopers in ESB and ROTJ wore regular black officer-style tunics.
- There are no code cylinder pockets the outside panels of the jacket for ANH warrant officers.

Belt
For 501st approval:

- The belt is constructed from a non-textured leather or a leather-like material.
- Approximately 2" (50.8 mm) in width, up to 3" (76.2 mm) is acceptable.
- There are no loops on the belt.
- A single large snap or rivet is visible approximately 1" (25.4 mm) from the buckle.
    - ♦ The belt may be worn with the snap to the right or left of the wearer.
- The buckle is constructed from a horizontally brushed metal, or metal looking material.
- The buckle size is approximately 2 5/8" (66.7 mm) high and 4 1/8" (104.5 mm) wide with 0.5" (12.7 mm) radius rounded corners.
- Buckle is adorned with an Imperial Code Disk at the center.
- ♦ Please refer to the Imperial Buckle reference page for information on accurate and inaccurate style buckles.

For level two certification (if applicable):

- Belt is made of leather.
- Snap is worn to the left of the wearer.
- Buckle has a slight horizontal curve.

Trousers, black
For 501st approval:

- Fabric is a medium weight suiting material exactly matching the tunic and hat.

- ♦ Gabardine style weave is most accurate.
- Pockets are acceptable, although not visible with the tunic on.
- Pants are neatly pressed or ironed.
- Pants smartly rest on the top of the shoes without bunching or giving any sloppy appearance.

Boots
For 501st approval:

- Calf high black leather or leather like material.
- Free of laces, decorative stitching, buckles on the instep or any other embellishments.
- Boots may have a single adjustment strap at the top outside of the boot, with the buckle no wider than 1".
  - ♦ This need not be functional.
- Zippers on the inside of the boot are acceptable, so long as they are concealed.
  - ♦ If the zipper is not covered by vinyl/ leather, it is painted black.
- German "jack boot" style boots are most canon.

For level two certification (if applicable):

- Boots are made of leather.

For level three certification (if applicable):

- Original German jack boots (or ?Knobelbechers?) or an authentic replication thereof.
- Boots have the top adjustment strap.

Optional Accessories

Items below are optional costume accessories. These items are not required for approval, but if present appear as described below.

Black Gauntlet Gloves
For 501st approval:

- Black, leather or leather-like, enclosed fingered, non-textured, fitted gauntlet length.
- No buckles, straps, or decorative stitching are permitted.

For level two certification (if applicable):

- Gloves are made of leather.
- ANH warrant officers shall not wear gauntlet style gloves.
- ROTJ warrant officers may wear gauntlet style gloves.

Belt Boxes
For 501st approval:

- Dimensions are approximately 2 1/2" (63.5 mm) by 4 1/2" (114.3 mm) by 1" (25.4 mm) thick.
- Boxes can be worn either vertically or horizontally on either side of the belt buckle.
- One or two boxes can be worn on either the right or left side of the belt.
    - The same amount of boxes are worn on each side of the belt.

For level two certification (if applicable):

- Belt boxes are only worn vertically.

Note: ROTJ Warrant Officers

- ROTJ warrant officers may opt to wear jodhpur pants and equestrian boots instead of straight legged pants and jack boots.

Jodhpur Trousers, black
For 501st approval:

- Fabric is a medium weight suiting material exactly matching the tunic and hat.
    - Gabardine style weave is most accurate.
- Flared riding breeches are canon.
- Breeches must be worn with boots.
- Pockets are acceptable, although they are not visible with the tunic on.

Officer Boots
For 501st approval:

- Knee-high, black, lace-less, smooth non-textured, leather or leather-like material.
    - Rubber is not acceptable.
    - PVC or synthetic material is allowed as long as it gives the appearance of leather.
- There are no stretch panels, buckles, snap tabs, or decoration.

- Boots have conservative heels.
- If zippers are present, they are hidden on the inner part of the boot shaft.
    - Not visible from the front, side or back.
- The top of the boots may be flat or Spanish Style, but not Cowboy or Super Hero (pointed at the front) style.

For level two certification (if applicable):

- Boots do not have a zipper.

For level three certification (if applicable):

- Boots are made of leather.
    - Not vinyl or PVC.
- Exact replicas of English riding (dress) boots or Equestrian boots.

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