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TIE Pilot, A New Hope



Model TI 6854, Photo by Ed Eliason



Description: TIE Pilot, ANH

Prefix: TI

Detachment: Jolly Roger Squadron

Context: Star Wars: Episode 4

TIE Pilots serve in the Imperial Navy by piloting the various TIE series starfighters.

The 501st approval requirements are listed in black. For Legion approval, only these requirements must be met.

While the Jolly Roger Squadron does not have any detachment specific costume certification programs, some parts of the costume below may be shared with other detachments that do. Features listed in blue or red are not required for 501st approval, but are noted here for those

interested in these additional details.

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.



Helmet

For 501st approval:

- See the [TIE Helmet Detail page](#) for more views and information about canon paint schemes.
- Helmet may have flat or bubbled lenses in Dark Gray or Dark Green.
- The helmet has imperial disks (greeblies) on the ear wells.
- Two 2.75" diameter Imperial Emblems in either white or silver should be on the crest of the helmet as seen in the diagrams found in the link above.
- The frown between the teeth may optionally be drilled out.
 - ◆ If the teeth are cut out, the openings are backed by material concealing the face.
- Colors of markings may range from chrome to silver, brushed aluminum to light gray to dark gray (gun metal), but remain consistent.
 - ◆ Pick a color and stick with it



Hoses

For 501st approval:

- Black Ribbed Hoses with a 1.25" diameter and 18" to 21" in length from the helmet hose port to connect to the chestbox upper hose ports.

Balaclava

For 501st approval:

- A balaclava is a black head sock/hood that is worn under the helmet and is used primarily to hide any view of the wearer's skin and/or facial hair.



Black Imperial Flight Suit
For 501st approval:

- One piece black coverall/jumpsuit/flight suit with a front invisible zipper.
- Approximately 1.5" (38.1mm) tall mandarin collar with a chevron shaped, left-over-right velcro closure.
- A silver or white Imperial Cog emblem, on a black background, is present on both shoulders.
 - ◆ The cog is 3" or 3.5" in diameter, and 1" from the shoulder seam.
- On the left forearm there is a compad pocket, approximately 5" (127mm) wide by 5.75" (146.05mm) tall, with no flap and a 2.25" (57.15mm) window in it.
 - ◆ Size might vary to match specific compad.
- On the left bicep, about 2"(50.8mm) below the cog emblem, there is a code cylinder pocket with no flap, and vertical stitching dividing it into pen sleeves.
- The bottom front corner of the pocket is cut off at a bevel on the side pointing in view direction, with the broader upside forming the border of the pen sleeves.
- The right sleeve has a cargo pocket, about 6" (152mm) wide and 5.75" (146mm) on the bicep, and approximately 2"(50.8mm) below the cog emblem.
 - ◆ The pocket has a 2"(50.8mm) flap.
- (2) large chest pockets and (2) large front pockets below the belt, without any zipper or flaps.
- (2) leg pockets with flaps, similar in proportion as the right arm sleeve pocket.
 - ◆ Size may differ - (Usually the width of the front pockets equals the width of the leg pockets).
- There are no rank bars of any kind on the uniform.
- There are no leg pockets below the knees.

For level two certification (if applicable):

- Imperial patches on the shoulders are printed vinyl rather than embroidered.
- The suit has a pointed collar in the back.



Imperial Communications Pad
For 501st approval:

- Rectangular communications pad, with buttons and detailing as shown, on a grey or silver background.

For level two certification (if applicable):

- Compad is not electronically lit.



Black Gauntlet Gloves
For 501st approval:

- Black, leather or leather-like, enclosed fingered, non-textured, fitted gauntlet style.
- No buckles, straps, or decorative stitching.
- Three straight lines, on the back of the hand (that match some references), are optional.

For level two certification (if applicable):

- Gloves are made of leather.

For level three certification (if applicable):

- Gauntlets slightly flair-out, upward from the wrist to the mid-forearm.



Armor
For 501st approval:

- Armor consists of the front and back pieces as shown, with two shoulder straps anchored by an octagon of plastic on each end.
- Black Nylon webbing or elastic is allowed to aid in the snug fit of the armor.
- The shoulder straps are not load bearing.
 - ◆ Being plastic they can crack.



Chestbox
For 501st approval:

- The chestbox has the same configurations as seen in these photos.
- The box has (4) 1" square x 1/8th" thick detail pieces.
- There are several canon configurations that are acceptable:
 - ◆ 2 white, 2 blue
 - ◆ 1 Red, 1 White, 2 Blue
 - ◆ 1 Gray, 1 White, 2 Blue.

- The rockers are always 2 Gray with dots or lamps in their bottom.
 - ◆ LEDs or lights are optional but should be approved.



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.



Black 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):

- Boots are 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.



Code Cylinders

For 501st approval:

- Between 1 to 4 per costume may be worn.
 - ◆ If only one is worn, it is on the left side.
- **Basic Style:** Silver "chalk holder" tube with short clip and blue colored top.
- **Rod style:** Machined aluminum rod with flaring disc detail at top.
- **Dosimeter style:** True Dosimeter with correct clip and blue top.

For level two certification (if applicable):

- Only real or replica dosimeters are used.

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