NATO Meritorious Service Medal



Product price:

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Product codes:

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Product features:

Product short description:

The NATO Meritorious Service Medal honors exceptional service and contributions to Alliance operations. It symbolizes dedication, professionalism and a commitment to peace and international security and suits service members, veterans, collectors and military history enthusiasts.

- **Material:** Made from high-quality materials that reflect the medal's ceremonial nature.
- **Purpose:** A tribute to leadership, integrity and notable contributions in complex operations.
- **Design:** Elegant, symbolic design for display or historical collections.
- **Ideal for:** Collectors, veterans and military history enthusiasts.

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Product overview

The NATO Meritorious Service Medal is a formal recognition medal awarded by the NATO Secretary General to individuals who have shown exceptional service, leadership and courage within NATO. Definition: this medal is an official NATO award that symbolizes service to the

cause of peace and freedom.

Designed for servicemembers, veterans, collectors and institutions, the medal is also of interest to military surplus, tactical and police memorabilia buyers who value authentic military honors and ceremonial items.

Main features

Distinctive design and meaningful symbolism make this medal suitable for display, formal wear under regulations, or collection.

- **Material:** Antiqued silver-finish metal (metallo argentato brunito).
- **Obverse design:** NATO star surrounded by an olive leaf wreath, symbolizing peace and prosperity.
- **Reverse inscription:** "North Atlantic Treaty Organization" and a service motto in English and French.
- **Ribbon:** 37 mm blue ribbon with two narrow white vertical stripes edged with gold and silver threading.
- **Authority:** Award issued by the NATO Secretary General, reflecting leadership and service values.
- **Collectible status:** Limited availability and high demand among collectors and ceremonial suppliers.

How to use / When it’s useful

Quick answer: the medal is intended as an official award for wear on formal uniforms or for display in collections and museums. Use it for ceremonial presentations, veteran displays, or institutional exhibitions.

In most cases, recipients wear the medal according to NATO uniform rules or keep it in a presentation case for preservation. It is also a valued piece for military surplus and police memorabilia collections where provenance and condition matter.

Care and notes

To preserve appearance and value, handle the medal and ribbon with care and check provenance if purchasing for a collection.

- Clean gently with a soft, dry cloth; avoid harsh chemicals or abrasive cleaners.
- Store flat or in a presentation case to protect the ribbon and finish.
- Verify authenticity and provenance when buying as a collector or dealer.
- Note: the official award is conferred by NATO; owning a medal does not imply official conferment.

FAQ

Q: Who can receive the NATO Meritorious Service Medal?

A: The medal is awarded to individuals who demonstrate exceptional courage, leadership and dedicated service within NATO. Recipients are selected under NATO's formal award criteria.

Q: What do the symbols on the medal mean?

A: The NATO star represents the Alliance; the olive wreath stands for peace and prosperity. The inscriptions reaffirm NATO's mission in English and French.

Q: What material is the medal made from?

A: The medal is described as silver-finish metal (metallo argentato brunito) with a blue ribbon 37 mm wide. The ribbon includes white stripes with gold and silver thread detailing.

Q: What are the criteria for awarding this medal?

A: Awards consider courage in difficult situations, demonstrated leadership and exceptional dedication to service. Decisions are made according to NATO's established selection process.

Q: How can I obtain the medal?

A: Officially, the medal is conferred by the NATO Secretary General to qualified individuals. Purchasing a medal on the open market does not constitute an official award.

Q: Is this medal suitable for collectors or ceremonial use?

A: Yes. It is appropriate for display, ceremonial purposes and museum collections, provided use follows applicable regulations for wearing official awards.

Tip: Choose the correct variant or presentation (for display or formal wear) and check provenance when buying for a collection; consider browsing related military surplus, ceremonial and police memorabilia to complete a matched display.

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