



# Joint Forces Medal of Honor - Defense General Staff

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**Product price:**

**€22.50 tax included**

**Product codes:**

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**Product features:**

## Product short description:

The Medaglia d'Onore Interforze dello Stato Maggiore Difesa is an honorary medal conferred by the Capo di Stato Maggiore della Difesa to military or civilian individuals, Italian or foreign, who have contributed to the prestige of the Italian Defence.

- **Material:** Golden metal.
- **Presenter:** Capo di Stato Maggiore della Difesa.
- **Recipients:** Military and civilians, Italian or foreign, for outstanding contributions.
- **Design:** Emblems of the four Armed Forces under a corona turrata with a central silver star; symbol of institutional service and commitment.

## Product description:

## Product overview

The Medaglia d'Onore Interforze dello Stato Maggiore Difesa is an institutional honorific medal



awarded to military and civilian personnel who have significantly contributed to the reputation and authority of the Italian Defence. It is intended for service members, civilian staff, diplomats and collectors interested in interservice military decorations.

Definition: a high-level interservice medal awarded ad honorem by the Chief of the Defence Staff for lasting, non-combat contributions to the Italian Defence's prestige. Keywords: military decoration, interservice medal, military surplus and collector interest.

### **Main features**

Official interservice honorific medal with symbolic design and quality finish, suited for ceremonial wear and display.

- Official name: Medaglia d'Onore Interforze dello Stato Maggiore Difesa
- Material: golden metal with uniform gilt finish and high-definition reliefs
- Obverse: laurel and oak branches, a turreted crown, and four quadrants showing Esercito Italiano, Marina Militare, Aeronautica Militare and Arma dei Carabinieri
- Center motif: five-pointed silver star representing interforce unity
- Reverse inscription: semicircular Latin legend "AD HONOREM" indicating its honorific nature
- Ribbon: light blue with a central vertical stripe in red, blue and light blue, edged by thin red and blue fillets

### **How to use / When it's useful**

Quick answer: wear this medal for official ceremonies, include it in an official medal rack, or display it in institutional or museum contexts. In most cases, it is used for representative and ceremonial purposes rather than operational duty.

This medal is useful for official representatives, retired personnel preserving their medagliere, and collectors of military surplus or historic honors. It also serves well in curated displays that document the institutional role of the Stato Maggiore Difesa and interforce cooperation.

### **Care and notes**

Maintain the medal for long-term display and preserve its finish and symbolic value.

- Store dry, away from direct sunlight and humidity to protect the gilt finish.
- Clean gently with a soft cloth; avoid abrasive cleaners or chemical polishes that may alter the finish.
- Handle by the ribbon or edges to reduce fingerprints and surface wear.
- Note: this is an honorific award, not a combat valor decoration.

### **FAQ**



**Q:** Who can receive this medal?

**A:** Military personnel and civilian staff, Italian or foreign, who have provided sustained contributions to the prestige and institutional role of the Italian Defence.

**Q:** Is this a decoration for combat valor?

**A:** No. It is an ad honorem honorific medal awarded for institutional, professional or reputational merits rather than acts of battlefield heroism.

**Q:** Which forces does the medal represent?

**A:** The obverse shows emblems of the four forces: Esercito Italiano, Marina Militare, Aeronautica Militare and Arma dei Carabinieri, highlighting interservice unity.

**Q:** What does the ribbon symbolize?

**A:** The light blue ribbon with a central red-blue-light blue stripe and thin red/blue fillets symbolizes the Defence's institutional color and the cooperation among the armed forces.

**Q:** Is this item suitable for collectors?

**A:** Yes. It is appreciated by collectors of official Italian honors and fits well in medagliere displays, museum exhibits or curated military surplus collections.

**Q:** How should the medal be displayed or worn?

**A:** It is intended for official and representative use: included in the decorated person's medal rack, worn at formal ceremonies, or shown in institutional displays.

**Tip:** Choose the correct variant or presentation (ceremonial medal, display mount or ribbon-only) to match your needs, and browse related interservice medals and official nastri to complete a historically accurate collection or medagliere.

**Product attributes:**

**Product gallery:**

