# EQUIVALENT RANKS OF THE BRITISH SERVICES AND U.S. AIR FORCE

Royal Navy	Army	Royal Air Force	US Air Force			
	Commissioned Ranks					
Admiral of the Fleet	Field Marshal	Marshal of the Royal Air Force	Command General of the Air Force			
Admiral	General	Air Chief Marshal	* * * * * General			
Vice Admiral	Lieutenant General	Air Marshal	★ ★ ★ Lieutenant General			
Rear Admiral	Major General	Air Vice Marshal	Major General			
Commodore	Brigadier	Air Commodore	Brigadier General			
Captain	Colonel	Group Captain	Colonel			
Commander	Lieutenant Colonel	Wing Commander	Lieutenant Colonel			
Lieutenant Commander	Major	Squadron Leader	Major			
Lieutenant	Captain	Flight Lieutenant	Captain			

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Sub Lieutenant	Lieutenant	Flying Officer	First Lieutenant
Midshipman	Second Lieutenant	Pilot Officer	Second Lieutenant

### Notes:

- 1. Five-Star Ranks have been phased out in the British Services. The Five-Star ranks in the U.S. Services are reserved for wartime only.
- 2. The rank of Midshipman in the Royal Navy is junior to the equivalent Army and RAF ranks.

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	Non-commis	sioned Ranks	
Warrant Officer	Warrant Officer Class 1 (RSM)	Warrant Officer	Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force
	Warrant Officer Class 2b (RQSM)		Chief Command Master Sergeant
	Warrant Officer Class 2a		Chief Master Sergeant
Chief Petty Officer	Staff Sergeant	Flight Sergeant	First Senior Master Sergeant
		Chief Technician	Senior Master Sergeant
Petty Officer	Sergeant	Sergeant	First Master Sergeant

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Royal Navy	Army	Royal Air Force	US Air Force
			Master Sergeant
Leading Seaman	Corporal	Corporal	Staff Sergeant
	Lance Corporal	Senior Aircraftman	Senior Airman
Able Seaman		Leading Aircraftman	Airman First Class
Ordinary Seaman	Private	Aircraftman	Airman

#### Notes

- 1. RAF Chief Technician and Flight Sergeant ranks are equal.
- 2. There is no Warrant Officer rank in the U.S. Air Force. Though shown as equivalent to British Warrant Officer ranks, Chief Master Sergeant ranks are not Warranted but are senior to Senior Master Sergeant ranks (and British equivalents).