

SENIORITY OF VARIOUS NEW ZEALAND ROYAL HONOURS



ORDER OF NEW ZEALAND (ONZ)

The country's highest honour, restricted to 20 living persons at any time, plus additional members and honorary members.



DAME / KNIGHT GRAND COMPANION OF THE NEW ZEALAND ORDER OF MERIT (GNZM)

Awarded for a pre-eminent contribution in any field over a sustained period. Services have usually brought international recognition.



DAME / KNIGHT COMPANION OF THE NEW ZEALAND ORDER OF MERIT (DNZM / KNZM)

For pre-eminent contribution in any field achieving at a national or international level, recognised by peers, and demonstrating sustained commitment.



COMPANION OF THE NEW ZEALAND ORDER OF MERIT (CNZM)

For a prominent national or international role, leading role in regional affairs or distinguished contribution to an area of activity.



KING'S SERVICE ORDER (KSO)

Recognises valuable voluntary service to the community or faithful service to the Crown or public sector. Usually awarded for service at a national level.



OFFICER OF THE NEW ZEALAND ORDER OF MERIT (ONZM)

For a distinguished regional or national role in any field.



MEMBER OF THE NEW ZEALAND ORDER OF MERIT (MNZM)

For achievement or service to the community, usually in a regional or national role.



KING'S SERVICE MEDAL (KSM)

Recognises valuable voluntary service to the community or faithful service to the Crown or public sector. Usually awarded for service at a local or regional level.



NEW ZEALAND ANTARCTIC MEDAL (NZAM)

Recognises New Zealanders and others who have made an outstanding contribution to exploration, scientific research, conservation, environmental protection, or knowledge of the Antarctic region.



NEW ZEALAND DISTINGUISHED SERVICE DECORATION (DSD)

Recognises distinguished military service by regular, territorial and reserve members of the New Zealand Defence Force, including command, leadership and service in an operational environment, or in support of operations.

Insignia within the Order of New Zealand, New Zealand Order of Merit and King's Service Order may be worn on either a ribbon or a bow

- recipients may choose either style at their discretion.

Ribbon styles not pictured here can be viewed, along with high-definition images of all of the New Zealand Royal honours insignia,

on the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet website:

www.dpmc.govt.nz/honours-image-gallery