
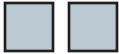








































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|  ADMIRAL 5th Rank |  ADMIRAL 4th Rank |  ADMIRAL 3rd Rank |  GENERAL 2nd Rank (ground) |  ADMIRAL 1st Rank (space) |
|  COMMODORE 5th Rank |  COMMODORE 4th Rank |  BRIGADIER 3rd Rank (ground) |  COMMODORE 2nd Rank |  COMMODORE 1st Rank |
|  CAPTAIN 5th Rank |  CAPTAIN 4th Rank |  COLONEL 3rd Rank (ground) |  CAPTAIN 2nd Rank |  CAPTAIN 1st Rank |
|  COMMANDER 5th Rank |  COMMANDER 4th Rank |  COMMANDER 3rd Rank (staff) |  MAJOR 2nd Rank (ground) |  COMMANDER 1st Rank |
|  LIEUTENANT 5th Rank |  LIEUTENANT 4th Rank (Med) |  LIEUTENANT 3rd Rank (science) |  LIEUTENANT 2nd Rank |  LIEUTENANT 1st Rank |
|  PILOT 5th Rank |  PILOT 4th Rank |  PILOT 3rd Rank |  PILOT (atmospheric) 2nd Rank |  PILOT 1st Rank |
|  NCO 5th Rank |  NCO 4th Rank |  NCO 3rd Rank |  SERGEANT 2nd Rank (ground) |  NCO 1st Rank |
|  CREWMAN 5th Rank |  CREWMAN 4th Rank |  PRIVATE 3rd Rank (ground) |  CREWMAN 2nd Rank |  CREWMAN 1st Rank |

Kzinti military ranks have both grades (admiral, captain, lieutenant) and ranks (admiral 1st rank, lieutenant 4th rank). Ranks within a grade are earned by time in service, passing certain tests, and/or by achieving some great accomplishment or success (e.g., pilots of the 5th rank can be promoted one rank after their first dogfight victory, or earn the promotion by experience). Being promoted to a higher grade is more difficult; the lowest captain outranks the highest commander. Higher ranks and grades indicate more social prestige, pay, and responsibility. Captains of the higher ranks command larger or more important ships, for example.

NCOs (petty officers and sergeants) supervise crewmen. Lieutenants supervise enlisted personnel. Commanders are department heads or deputy heads of larger departments. Captains command starships (or battalions). Commodores (brigadiers in ground forces) command squadrons (or brigades and divisions). Admirals (or generals) command fleets, theaters (or corps and armies). Rank insignia are in branch colors: silver (space, including engineers who are considered "line" officers), gold (staff), green (ground forces), red (medical), blue (science). Officers of the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd ranks are eligible for promotion to the next higher grade.