

Order of Marius

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Faction:	Kingdom of Neshaten

The Order of Marius is the Royale Guard that guards the capital world and the King and Queen when they are off world. Along with thier role as the Royale Guard, they also serve as the Religious order as well, helping to plan, execute, and handle religious events - including the Rite of Honour.

History

Founded after the creation of the Kingdom, the Order was named after a Neshaten military regiment that fought and died to protect an entire system, with only a couple hundred ships against an enemy that had an overwealming thousand. The Marius Regiment, as they were known at the time, held off nearly one thousand, seven hundred ships with only four hundred ships at their disposal. They succeeded in holding the system for several days, giving civilians the time needed to evacuate. Families of the soldiers who were part of the Regiment later evacuated aboard the starships that sent them to their New World, thus decendants of those soldiers were able to keep the memories of the regiment alive.

When the Neshaten were able to re-establish a space navy, they created a special group of elite soldiers that would serve to protect not only the homeworld but also the Royale Family in the event the family decided travel offworld. Shortly after it's founding, the Royale Family decided to have the Order also be responsible for everything related to their religion, due to the low-threat against their people at the time, even now they still serve this same role.

Identity

The Order of Marius is easily recognized only when they are in port, their ships sport a royale red color along with a black strip that runs along the length of the ship. The Neshaten flag is emblazened on the forward hull with the Order of Marius emblem on the port and starboard side. These identifiable markers are only present while the ships are in port or are actively engaged in patrols around the Neshaten Homeworld.

Otherwise, when Order of Marius ships are executing missions away from the homeworld, all identifiable markers are removed with the exception of the Neshaten flag.

On the surface, Order soldiers wear no identifiable clothing other than a regular military uniform, this makes it hard for someone to single them out.

The Order is highly respected amongst the Neshaten due to their presence around the capital and ever helpful nature thanks in large part to their religious background. However, if the Order military is ever mobilized, it's a sure sign to the Neshaten People that things have gone horribly wrong.

Members of the Religious are more easily recognized, due to them wearing white robes with a gold coloring.

Military Significance

Unlike the volunteer military, Order of Marius soldiers don't volunteer, they are chosen from the military and police ranks to join the order. The Order is above the military and can act without guidance or worry of the military high command getting in the way, they can execute missions without reproach and can also take part in full scale operations, often times serving as commanders of the operations.

The reasoning behind this level of freedom, is because the process of being invited to join the Order is very harsh. Soldiers not only have to demonstrate exceptional bravery, and the willingness to give their lives, but also leadership of a high degree.

This doesn't mean that Order soldiers are free to mistreat their fellow Neshaten, in fact, Order soldiers are still required to give a certain degree of respect and humility to those not part of the order.

Religious Significance

The Military part of the Order are those who fight the battles that come to the capital, in this case, the Religious part are those who help keep the people safe on the ground and also help to restore order when panic ensues. These members of the Order help to maintain the Shrines, Churches, and holding religious events and ceremonies. They directly oversee the [Rite of Honour](#).

Members of the Religious are taught how to maintain themselves, and also, how to treat others. They can serve as diplomats and envoys, in place of the King and Queen, or even with the Royale Family, in times of need.

They are best known for their kind and gentle nature, a person of the religious can always be seen helping others. The religious order also serves as the humanitarian role when disasters strike and people need assistance, they also operate the majority of the planets orphanages who take care of Kits dislocated from disasters or abandoned by their families¹⁾.

Although they may not appear to be armed, Religious members do carry weapons due to being part of the Order, they are taught however to never use those weapons unless needed, but if the need was to ever arise - they'd be considered deadly.

Religious members are the easiest to recognize in the order due to their white religious garb and hood.

Order Requirements

A person who is part of the volunteer military requires many qualities to join, and in fact, those in charge of the Order will never reveal what is truly needed other than bravery and leadership. Asking to join the

order automatically destroys any chance of a soldier being chosen, while a soldier can strive to be part of the order, it should never be to gain more power or to elevate ones standing above that of another. The desire to join the order should be one of protect and serve.

Any person may be chosen, be it child or adult. In some rare cases, a soldier may be chosen even while they are in basic training, it really depends on the qualities that the Order is looking for at the time they are actively seeking.

If a person has undergone the Rite of Honour, then they will be invited to join the Order. This is because of how involved the Order is in the Rite, and how perilous the Rite is, its believed if a person can get through the Rite and succeed, then they will be a perfect addition to the Order.

An Order soldier can serve on a non-order ship, but they are required to obey the commands of that ships Shipmaster. The only time an Order soldier doesn't have to obey military commands, is when *they* are in command of the ship, thats when the ship falls under the Order of Marius Banner.

Joining the Religious part of the order is the easiest, but also the most restrictive, because without a military or police background - there is no way they can join the military part.

Crew Requirements

The crew of an Order's ship doesn't need to be part of the order, but they still have to be checked rigorously before being permitted to join that ships crew. The commander of the ship can make recommendations on who joins his/her crew and those recommendations are taken seriously and given priority.

It is actually quite common to find non-order Crewmen on an Order of Marius starship, this is because of how selective the order is. However, crewmen on an OoM ship must have unfaltering loyalty to the Monarch. Being thrown off of an OoM ship is considered a disgrace.

Starships

Although the Order uses starships from the military, it does have plans on designing their own starships for their own purposes. Ships designed for speed and power, however, for the time being they use the following ships:

No ships listed

Retirement

When a soldier of the Order retires, they relinquish not only their rank, but also their authority. They are also given a bonus on pay. Retired soldiers are also gifted their own ship, of frigate class or lower, this ship is fully customizable.

However, a soldier is not truly retired. They are placed in a reserve list, and can be called out of retirement if its needed.

Positions

A list of positions, or ranks, within the Order, some of the positions are unique to either the Religious or Humanitarian Division. The military division uses the same ranking system that the Volunteer Military uses.

Position	Description
A'Saltor	Saltor is the person in charge of the Order, they oversea the smooth running of the Order.
S'Geriesal	S'Geriesal are assists to A'Saltors and assist in the smooth running of the Order and it's various sub-branches located across the Kingdom
X'Ikesa	A person who is under a S'Geriesal, they serve as aids or leaders of small units.
Va'Katoren	A soldier of the Order's military
Ete'nashova	A person who is part of the Religious Division and maintains the various religious establishments
Neu'forteshan	A person who serves in the Religious Division and is responsible for Sermons and holding local events
Yu'tora	A caregiver who takes care of Kits at the orphanages run by the Order

¹⁾

Which is considered a grave crime in the Neshaten Culture

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