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[b][u]Ranks:[/u]/[b]

[u]*Members*/[u]

This ranks reflect the general position of a member within our team. Note that regardless of his rank every member is part of our team and deserves the according respect. Higher ranks have shown higher skills, more experience, decent behaviour even in difficult situations and/or serious dedication to the team, therefore they carry more responsibility and deserve more respect.

- group-names marked with “---GROUP-----”*
- rank-format: ABBREVIATION RANK-NAME INSIGNIA

---Trial Members-----

[u]RC Recruit RC[/u]

This trial member status is the chance to prove yourself worth of becoming a full member of our team.

- responsible to seek basic training from instructors (personal instructor is advised)
- only restricted forum access
- almost no voice in team internals
- usually no admin permissions

[u]TR Trainee <[/u]

A former RC who has shown a good general behaviour. But still he needs to learn and practice to make his movements as precise and as sharp as a razor blade.

- responsible to seek training from instructors (personal instructor is advised)
- Trainees and above are [u]Full-Members[/u], they get member forum access
- very low voice in team decisions
- might be granted admin permissions

---Enlisted-----

“Normal” member ranks.

[u]PVT Private <[/u]

A former TR who gained the trust of our team, in both his/her character and skills.

- member forum access, low voice in team decisions
- usually admin permissions
- further training and practice won't hurt
- basic contribution to team-organization and team events is expected

[u]RES Reservist >[/u]

A former PVT who had to remove himself from active duty but still stays a member of our team.

- inactive member state

--- Non-Commissioned-Officers NCOs-----

A PVT who showed very good general behaviour, skills and a certain amount of experience (usually Live-Operation experience) can achieve one of the following ranks.

NCOs should support the COs whenever possible. They should be an example for all lower ranks, and keep a watchful eye on them.

[u]SPC Specialist (>[/u]

This member has remarkable skills in a special role (e.g. as sniper, spotter, medic, explosive expert).

[u]WO Warrant Officer <([/u]

This member contributes in a remarkable way to the team (e.g. by carrying out team responsibilities or Squad Staff duties).

[u]CPL Corporal <<[/u]

This member has remarkable skill in leading teams during combat.

[u]SGT Sergeant <<<[/u]

This member stays with our team for a long time. He showed remarkable skill, experience, behaviour and/or contribution to our team. He acts as counselor for the Commission.

[u]VET Veteran >>[/u]

An NCO who had to remove himself from active duty but still stays a member of our team.
- inactive member state

---Commissioned Officers COs-----

This members are leading our team and carry huge responsibility. Usually they are former NCOs. Their decisions shall ensure the success of our team in every aspect. Their behaviour should be an example for all lower ranks.

[u]LT Lieutenant LT[/u]

Member of the Commission, currently without a Regular Squad to lead.

[u]CLT Commanding Lieutenant CLT[/u]

Squad Leader of one or more Regular Squads.

[u]CDR Commander CDR[/u]

Head of the Commission and therefore leader of our team.

[u]*Promotion*[/u]

All ranks are awarded by the Commission (no matter of promotion or demotion) based on:
- general behaviour (especially in difficult situations)

- skill (e.g. shown by awards or during tryouts)
- contribution to the team and within the Squad(s)

(note that these factors have different weight concerning different ranks, e.g. a WO may only have average in-game skills but a remarkable contribution to the team)

Since the COs can't have their eyes everywhere, they rely often on reports (especially from COs and NCOs, but also from non-members or other communities). Every member may apply for a promotion.

For (potential) new team members there are special guidelines.

[u]*Inactive member states*/[u]

- meant for vacations, journeys or difficult circumstances which don't allow an active participation in the team for more than 2 weeks
- granted by the Commission on request from the according member or a CO
- the concerned member has still to follow all member rules, except the ones that requires regular activity
- the concerned member can come back to active duty and get back his former rank with a simply notification of return to the Commission
- the Commission may revoke the inactive status at any time, either put the concerned member back to active duty or release him (if the member breaks member rules, loses contact with the team completely for a longer period of time, or seems to be normally active again)

[u]*Non-Members*/[u]

Our team is an open community which allows participation of non-members, up to a certain degree.

[u]Friend[/u]

It's hard to define: basically everyone who is friend with at least one AST member :D

Anyway the important thing is that we offer some small privileges for players who feel connected to our team, e.g.:

- friend-PW(s) to join protected server(s)
- membership in our xfire/gametracker group to stay in close contact with us
- special voice-chat channel(s)

(only COs or members with certain responsibilities can grant such privileges)

[u]Ally[/u]

A very good friend who gained the trust of our team. They are members of a special ally-user-group on forum with advanced forum access including an ally-password for further access on game servers. They also might get special rights concerning some team events like trainings. (only COs can grant this privilege)