

NEW IMPERIAL ORDER



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Introduction

This document is released in compliance with Imperial Precedent #645, which requires the Imperial Government, Military, Ministries, Agencies and Citizens to comply with and understand the New Imperial Order Code.

Distribution

- Imperial Citizens and Service Members

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Summary Offenses

Summary Offenses are classified as lesser offenses committed against the New Imperial Order and its citizenry. Summary Offenses can be limited to fines or minor reprimands or a prison sentence. At the discretion of the Prosecution one or more of these punishments may be compiled however the maximum fine cannot exceed 20,000 credits and the prison sentence cannot exceed 18 months less a day. Citizens found guilty of a Summary Offense that are assigned a prison sentence shall carry out the sentence at an Imperial Minimum Security Prison or an ISB Re-Education Facility at the discretion of the prosecution.

Summary Offense Sentencing

Min Fine: Prosecutors Discretion

Max Fine: 20,000 Credits

Min Prison Sentence: Prosecutors Discretion

Max Prison Sentence: 24 Months less a Day

Alternate Sentence: Imperial Security Bureau Re-Education Facility

Note 1: An individual may be charged with a Summary Offense by a member of the Imperial High Command, a member of the Imperial Security Bureau or a Unit/Section Commanding Officer (*where applicable*).

Note 2: Charges for a Summary Offense may only be dropped by a member of the Imperial High Command or a member of the Imperial Security Bureau.

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Indictable Offenses

Indictable offenses are serious crimes committed against the New Imperial Order and its citizenry. Those found guilty of Indictable Offenses against the New Imperial Order and its citizenry may be issued sentences in either a Medium Security Imperial Penal Facility, a Maximum Security Imperial Penal Facility or may be sentenced to execution at the discretion of the prosecution. Punishments identified as indictable offense punishments may be issued to those who have committed Summary Offenses and who have been repeatedly convicted as felons.

Indictable Offense Sentencing

Min Fine: 20,000 Credits

Max Fine: 20,000,000 Credits

Min Prison Sentence for Medium Security Facilities: 24 Months

Max Prison Sentence for Medium Security Facilities: 64 Months less a Day

Min Prison Sentence for a Maximum Security Facility: 64 Months

Max Prison Sentence for a Maximum Security Facility: Life Sentence

Max Overall Sentence: Execution

Note 1: An individual may be charged with an Indictable Offense by a member of the Imperial High Command, Imperial Security Bureau or Unit/Section Commanding Officer (*where applicable*).

Note 2: Charges for an Indictable Offense cannot be dropped unless by the decree of the throne.

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Hybrid Offenses

A Hybrid Offense is a crime against the New Imperial Order and its citizenry that may be treated as a Summary Offense or an Indictable Offense. The determination as to how the crime will be treated and sentenced is at the discretion of the throne and/or prosecution.

Note 1: Offenses treated as a Summary Offense shall adhere to the sentencing and rules of the Summary Offense section of the Imperial Legal Code.

Note 2: Offenses treated as an Indictable Offense shall adhere to the sentencing and rules of the Indictable Offense section of the Imperial Legal Code.

Note 3: An individual who has been convicted of Summary Offenses on numerous occasions who is as a result a repeat offender can if convicted at the discretion of the prosecution be sentenced with the punishments decreed within the Indictable Offense of the Imperial Legal Code.

High Crime Offenses

High Crime Offenses are the most severe offenses that can be committed against the New Imperial Order. High Crimes are defined as crimes that are committed against both the totality of the Imperial citizenry and the State; the New Imperial Order. Execution is the sole punishment stipulated for those found guilty of a High Crime.

High Crime Offense Sentencing

Sentencing: All individuals convicted of a High Crime are to be executed unless otherwise stipulated by the throne.

Note 1: An individual may be charged with a High Crime by a member of the Imperial High Command or a member of the Imperial Security Bureau.

Note 2: Charges for a High Crime cannot be dropped unless by the decree of the throne.

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Attempts

(a) An act, done with specific intent to commit an offense under this chapter, amounting to more than mere preparation and tending, even though failing, to effect its commission, is an attempt to commit that offense.

(b) Any person subject to this chapter who attempts to commit any offense punishable by this chapter shall be punished as a court-martial may direct, unless otherwise specifically prescribed.

(c) Any person subject to this chapter may be convicted of an attempt to commit an offense although it appears on the trial that the offense was consummated.

Summary Offenses

1.1- Fraudulent Enlistment, Appointment, Or Separation

Any person who--

- (1) Procures their own Enlistment or Appointment in the armed forces by knowingly false representing or deliberate concealment as to their qualifications for the enlistment or appointment and receives pay or allowances there under.
- (2) Procures their own separation from the armed forces by knowingly false representing or deliberate concealment as to their eligibility for that separation.

1.2- Absence Without Leave (Awol)

Any member of the armed forces who, without authority--

- (1) Fails to go to their appointed place of duty at the time prescribed.
- (2) Absents themselves or remains absent from their unit, organization, or place of duty at which they are required to be at the time prescribed.

1.3- Contempt Toward Officials

Any Commissioned Officer who uses contemptuous words against The Throne, High Command, the Governor or legislature of any Planet, Sector, System, or Property in which they are on duty or present shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

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1.4- Disrespect Toward Superior Officer

Any person subject to this chapter who behaves with disrespect toward their superior officer shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

1.5- Insubordinate Conduct Toward Non-Commissioned Officer

Any Enlisted member who--

- (1) Strikes or assaults a Non-Commissioned Officer while that officer is in the execution of their office.
- (2) Willfully disobeys the lawful order of a Non-Commissioned Officer.
- (3) Treats with contempt or is disrespectful in language or deportment toward a Non-Commissioned Officer while that officer is in the execution of their office.

1.6- Failure To Obey Order Or Regulation

Any person subject to this chapter who--

- (1) Violates or fails to obey any lawful general order or regulation;
- (2) Having knowledge of any other lawful order issued by any member of the armed forces, which it is his duty to obey, fails to obey the order.
- (3) Is derelict in the performance of their duties.

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1.7- Non-Compliance With Procedural Rules

Any person subject to this chapter who--

- (1) Is responsible for unnecessary delay in the disposition of any case of a person accused of an offense under this chapter.
- (2) Knowingly and intentionally fails to enforce or comply with any provision of this chapter regulating the proceedings before, during, or after trial of an accused.

1.8- Intoxicated Whilst On Duty

Any person subject to this chapter other than a sentinel or look-out, who is found intoxicated on duty, shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

1.9- Wrongful Use, Possession, Etc., Of Controlled Substances

Any person subject to this chapter who wrongfully uses, possesses, manufactures, distributes, imports into the customs territory of the New Imperial Order, exports from the New Imperial Order, or introduces into an installation, vessel, vehicle, or spacecraft used by or under the control of the armed forces; a substance described or defined as controlled by the New Imperial Order Narcotics Act.

1.10- Dueling

Any person subject to this chapter who fights or promotes, or is concerned in or connives at fighting a duel, or who, having knowledge of a challenge sent or about to be sent, fails to report the fact promptly to the proper authority, shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

1.11- Riot Or Breach Of Peace

Any person subject to this chapter who causes or participates in any riot or breach of the peace shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

1.12- Provoking Speeches Or Gestures

Any person subject to this chapter who uses provoking or reproachful words or gestures towards any other person subject to this chapter shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

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1.13- Forgery

Any person subject to this chapter who, with intent to defraud--

- (1) Falsely makes or alters any signature, to, or any part of, any writing which would, if genuine, apparently impose a legal liability on another or change their legal right or liability to their prejudice.
- (2) Utters, offers, issues, or transfers such writing, known by him to be so made or altered.

1.14- Conduct Unbecoming An Officer

Any Commissioned Officer who is convicted of conduct unbecoming an officer, shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

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Indictable Offenses

2.1- Aiding The Enemy

Any person who--

- (1) Aids, or attempts to aid, the enemy with arms, ammunition, supplies, money, or other things.
- (2) Without proper authority, knowingly harbors or protects or gives intelligence to or communicates or corresponds with or holds any intercourse with the enemy, either directly or indirectly.

2.2- Spies

Any person who in time of war is found lurking as a spy or acting as a spy in or about any place, vessel, or spacecraft, within the control or jurisdiction of any of the armed forces, or in or about any shipyard, any manufacturing or industrial plant, or any other place or institution engaged in work in aid of the prosecution of the war by the New Imperial Order, or elsewhere, shall be tried by a general court-martial or by a military commission and on conviction shall be punished by death.

2.3- Espionage

- (1) Any person subject to this chapter who, with intent or reason to believe that it is to be used to the injury of the New Imperial Order or to the advantage of a foreign nation, communicates, delivers, or transmits, or attempts to communicate, deliver, or transmit, to any entity other than the New Imperial Order.
- (2) Either directly or indirectly, any thing described in paragraph 3 shall be punished as a court-martial may direct, except that if the accused is found guilty of an offense that directly concerns.
 - (A) Weaponry, military spacecraft or satellites, early warning systems, or other means of defense or retaliation against large scale attack.
 - (C) Communications intelligence or cryptographic information.
 - (D) Any other major weapons system or major element of defense strategy, the accused shall be punished by death or such other punishment as a court-martial may direct.
- (3) An entity referred to in paragraph (1) is--
 - (A) A foreign government.
 - (B) A faction or party or military force within a foreign country, whether recognized or unrecognized by the New Imperial Order.

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- (C) A representative, officer, agent, employee, subject, or citizen of such government, faction, party, or force.
- (4) A thing referred to in paragraph (1) is a document, writing, code book, signal book, sketch, photograph, photographic negative, blueprint, plan, map, model, note, instrument, appliance or information relating to the national defense.

2.4- Wrongful Loss, Damage, Or Destruction Of Property

Any person subject to this chapter who, without proper authority--

- (1) Sells or otherwise disposes of.
- (2) Willfully or through neglect damages, destroys, or loses.
- (3) Willfully or through neglect suffers to be lost, damaged, sold, or wrongfully disposed of.

2.5- Improper Hazarding Of Vessel

Any person subject to this chapter who--

- (1) Willfully and wrongfully hazards or suffers to be hazarded any vessel of the armed forces shall suffer death or such punishment as a court-martial may direct.
- (2) Negligently hazards or suffers to be hazarded any vessel of the armed forces shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

2.6- Murder

Any person subject to this chapter whom without justification or excuse, unlawfully kills a human being, when they--

- (1) Have a premeditated design to kill.
- (2) Intend to kill or inflict great bodily harm.
- (3) Are engaged in an act which is inherently dangerous to others and evinces a wanton disregard of human life.
- (4) Are engaged in the perpetration or attempted perpetration of burglary, sodomy, rape, robbery, or aggravated arson.

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2.7- Manslaughter

Any person subject to this chapter who --

- (a) With an intent to kill or inflict great bodily harm, unlawfully kills a human being in the heat of sudden passion caused by adequate provocation is guilty of voluntary manslaughter and shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.
- (b) Without intent to kill or inflict great bodily harm, unlawfully kills a human being--
 - (1) By culpable negligence.
 - (2) While perpetrating or attempting to perpetrate an offense, other than those named in clause (4) of section B6 directly affecting the person.

2.8- Rape And Carnal Knowledge

Any person subject to this chapter who--

- (a) Commits an act of sexual intercourse, with a person by force and without consent, is guilty of rape and shall be punished by death or such other punishment as a court-martial may direct.
- (b) Under circumstances not amounting to rape, commits an act of sexual intercourse with a person who has not attained the age of sixteen years, is guilty of carnal knowledge and shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

2.9- Larceny And Wrongful Appropriation

Any person subject to this chapter who--

- (a) Wrongfully takes, obtains, or withholds, by any means, from the possession of the owner or of any other person any money, personal property, or article of value of any kind--
 - (1) With intent permanently to deprive or defraud another person of the use and benefit of property or to appropriate it to his own use or the use of any person other than the owner, steals that property and is guilty of larceny.
 - (2) With intent to temporarily to deprive or defraud another person of the use and benefit of property or to appropriate to his own use the use of any person other than the owner, is guilty of wrongful appropriation.
- (b) Is found guilty of larceny or wrongful appropriation shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

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2.10- Robbery

Any person subject to this chapter who with intent to steal takes anything of value from the person or in the presence of another, against their will, by means of force or violence or fear of immediate or future injury to themselves or their property or to the person or property of a relative or member of their family or of anyone in their company at the time of the robbery, is guilty of robbery and shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

2.11- Arson

Any person subject to this chapter who willfully and maliciously burns or sets on fire --

- (a) An inhabited dwelling, or any other structure, movable or immovable, wherein to the knowledge of the offender there is at the time a human being, is guilty of aggravated arson and shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.
- (b) The property of another, except as provided in subsection (a), is guilty of simple arson and shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

2.12- Extortion

Any person subject to this chapter who communicates threats to another person with the intention thereby to obtain anything of value or any advantage, or immunity is guilty of extortion and shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

2.13- Perjury

Any person subject to this chapter who in a judicial proceeding or in a course of justice willfully and corruptly--

- (1) Upon a lawful oath or in a form allowed by law to be substituted for an oath, gives any false testimony material to the issue or matter of inquiry.
- (2) In any declaration, certificate, verification, or statement under penalty or perjury as permitted under section 1746 of title 28, New Imperial Order Code, subscribes any false statement material to the issue or matter of inquiry.

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2.14- Desertion

Any member of the armed forces who--

- (1) Without authority goes or remains absent from their unit, organization, or place of duty with intent to remain away there from permanently.
- (2) Quits their unit, organization, or place of duty with intent to avoid hazardous duty or to shirk important service.
- (3) Without being regularly separated from one of the armed forces enlists or accepts an appointment in the same or another one of the armed forces without fully disclosing the fact that they have not been regularly separated, or enters any foreign-armed service except when authorized by the New Imperial Order; is guilty of desertion.

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3.1- Assaulting Or Willfully Disobeying A Superior Officer

Any person subject to this chapter who--

- (1) Strikes their superior officer or draws or lifts up any weapon or offers any violence against them while they are in the execution of their duties.
- (2) Willfully disobeys a lawful command of their superior officer.

3.2- Cruelty And Maltreatment

Any person subject to this chapter who is guilty of cruelty toward, or oppression or maltreatment of, any person subject to their orders shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

3.3- Assault

Any person subject to this chapter who--

- (a) Attempts or offers with unlawful force or violence to do bodily harm to another person, whether or not the attempt or offer is consummated, is guilty of assault and shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.
- (b) Commits an assault with a dangerous weapon or other means or force likely to produce death or grievous bodily harm.
- (c) Commits an assault and intentionally inflicts grievous bodily harm with or without a weapon.

3.4- Accessory After The Fact And Aiding And Abetting

Any person subject to this chapter who, knowing that an offense punishable by this chapter has been committed, receives, comforts, or assists the offender in order to hinder or prevent their apprehension, trial, or punishment shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

3.5- Conspiracy

Any person subject to this chapter who conspires with any other person to commit an offense under this chapter shall, if one or more of the conspirators does an act to affect the object of the conspiracy, be punished as a court-martial may direct.

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3.6- Intoxicated Or Reckless Driving

Any person subject to this chapter who operates any vehicle whilst intoxicated, or in a reckless or wanton manner, or while impaired by a substance.

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High Crime Offenses

4.1- Treason

Any person who--

- (a) Uses force or violence for the purpose of overthrowing the government of the New Imperial Order.
- (b) Without lawful authority, communicates or makes available to an agent of a state other than the New Imperial Order, military or scientific information or any sketch, plan, model, article, note or document of a military or scientific character that he knows or ought to know may be used by that state for a purpose prejudicial to the safety or defense of the New Imperial Order.
- (c) Conspires with any person to commit high treason or to do anything mentioned in paragraph (a).
- (d) Forms an intention to do anything that is treason or that is mentioned in paragraph (a) and manifests that intention by an overt act.
- (e) Conspires with any person to do anything mentioned in paragraph (b) or forms an intention to do anything mentioned in paragraph (b) and manifests that intention by an overt act.

4.2- High Treason

Any person who--

- (a) Kills or attempts to kill a member of High Command, or does them any bodily harm tending to death or destruction, maims or wounds them, or imprisons or restrains them.
- (b) Levies war against the New Imperial Order or does any act preparatory thereto.
- (c) Assists an enemy at war with the New Imperial Order, or any armed forces against whom Imperial Forces are engaged in hostilities, whether or not a state of war exists between the New Imperial Order and the entity whose forces they are.

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4.2- Piracy

Any person who performs any of the following--

- (a) Any illegal acts of violence or detention, or any act of depredation, committed for private ends by the crew or the passengers of a private vessel, and directed against another vessel, or against persons or property on board such vessel
- (b) Any act of voluntary participation in the operation of a vessel with knowledge of facts making it a pirate vessel.
- (c) Any act inciting or of intentionally facilitating an act described in sub-paragraph (a) or (b)

JUDICIAL PROCEDURES

Arrests and Prosecution

5.1- Temporary Arrests

Any Imperial charged with a crime or caught in the act of a crime, may be temporarily arrested by any Imperial Citizen, with the following restrictions--

- (a) The arrest may only last a maximum of 24 hours, until when the detainee has to be delivered to those authorities who may conduct unrestricted arrests.
- (b) The perpetrator may only be subject to violence as necessary to keep him detained.
- (c) The arresting party is obligated to inform an authority who may conduct unrestricted arrests as quickly as possible.

5.2- Unrestricted Access

Authorities with the right to detain individuals without restrictions consists of--

- (a) Officials and Agents of the Imperial Security Bureau
- (b) Commanding Officers at the level of Fleets/Corps and above.
- (c) Members of Imperial High Command.

5.3- Prosecution

Guidelines for prosecution of charges shall be as follows--

- (a) All charges of Summary Offenses shall be prosecuted by the responsible Sector Moff, or someone named by them to execute the right in their stead unless the authority to do so has been claimed by the Imperial Security Bureau.
- (b) All charges of Indictable Offenses and above shall be prosecuted by a council consisting of the Director of the Imperial Security Bureau, a member of High Command, and a member of The Throne.
- (c) The prosecuting parties will establish a court martial which will consist of hearing the accused, deciding on the sentence, and executing the sentence. This regulation shall not apply if arrest was resisted.

5.4- Additional Regulations

- (a) Any imprisonment will restrict the offender from any forms of communications.
- (b) Imprisonment time is calculated following the formula that 1 year IC, equals 1 month real time.

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