

Abbreviations

AC/AO	Companion/Officer of the Order of Australia	GCMG/ KCMG/ DCMG/ CMG	Grand Cross/Knight Commander/ Dame Commander/Companion of the Order of St Michael and St George
ADC	Aide de camp		
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome	GCSI/ KCSI/ CSI	Grand Cross/Knight Commander/ Dame Commander/Companion of the Order of the Star of India
a.k.a.	also known as		
ALP	Australian Labor Party	GCVO/ KCVO/ DCVO/ CVO	Grand Cross/Knight Commander/ Dame Commander/Companion of the Royal Victorian Order
BAFTA	British Academy of Film and Television Arts		
BBC	British Broadcasting Corporation	GOC	General Officer Commanding
BEF	British Expeditionary Force	ILO	International Labour Organization
CC/OCC	Companion/Officer of the Order of Canada	KC/QC	King's/Queen's Counsel
CCP	Chinese Communist Party	KG/LG	Knight/Lady of the Order of the Garter
CERN	Conseil Européen pour la Recherche Nucléaire	KGB	Committee of State Security (former USSR)
CH	Companion of Honour	KP	Knight of St Patrick
CIA	Central Intelligence Agency	KT	Knight of the Thistle
C-in-C	Commander-in-Chief	MEP	Member of the European Parliament
CNRS	Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique	MIT	Massachusetts Institute of Technology
CPSU	Communist Party of the Soviet Union	MP	Member of Parliament
DFC	Distinguished Flying Cross	NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
DSO	Distinguished Service Order	NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
EC	European Community	OM	Order of Merit
EIC	East India Company	PC	Privy Counsellor
EU	European Union	RA	Royal Academician, London
FAA	Fellow of the Australian Academy of Science	RAF	Royal Air Force
FBA	Fellow of the British Academy	SDP	Social Democratic Party
FBI	Federal Bureau of Investigation	SI	International System of Units (Système international d'unités)
FRCP	Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians	SPD	Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands
FRS	Fellow of the Royal Society	UK	United Kingdom
FRSA	Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts	UN	United Nations
GBE/ KBE/ DBE/ CBE	Grand Cross/Knight Commander/ Dame Commander/Companion of the Order of the British Empire	UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
GCB/ KCB/CB	Grand Cross/Knight Commander/ Companion of the Order of the Bath	US(A)	United States (of America)
		USSR	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
		VC	Victoria Cross
		WHO	World Health Organization

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