

## WORLD WAR TWO STARS

### THE ITALY STAR

#### TERMS

The star was awarded for entry into operational service (usually considered 1 day) in Sicily or Italy between 11 June 1943 (capture of Pantellaria) and 08 May 1945.

In the Army, there is no prior time qualification. Airborne troops of the Army who have taken part in airborne operations in a qualifying Army area for land operations, will qualify.

Operational service in the Mediterranean theatre, for instance in the Aegean and Dodecanese, Corsica, Greece, Sardinia and Yugoslavia after 11 June 1943 is a qualification.

Operational service in Elba is a qualification. Service in Sicily after 17 August 1943, and in Sardinia after 19 September 1943, and Corsica after 4 October 1943, is not a qualification.



#### BAR

This was the only star without a bar.

#### RIBBON

The ribbon consists of equal stripes of red, white, green (centre), white, and red.

The colours represent the colours of the Italian flag.

#### ISSUED

There were 91,000 stars issued to Canadians.

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<sup>1</sup> Major Ronald William John Grinstead, MBE, ED – Royal Westminster Regiment Museum (This MBE is a post WWII award for the 1949 floods in B.C.)  
Commissioner Leonard H. Nicholson, OC, MBE, GCSJ – RCMP Museum, Regina Saskatchewan – 3rd medal in each group is Italian Star

## THE FRANCE AND GERMANY STAR

### TERMS



The star was awarded for entry into operational service (usually quoted as one day) in France, Belgium, Holland or Germany between 06 June 1944 (D-Day) and 08 May 1945.

There is no prior time qualification. Airborne troops of the Army who have taken part in airborne operations in a qualifying Army area for land operations, will qualify.

### BARS

If later entitled to that star, the **ATLANTIC** bar would be worn.

### NOTE

The Aircrew Europe Bar is **not** issued with this star because one could not qualify for that star after 05 June 1944.

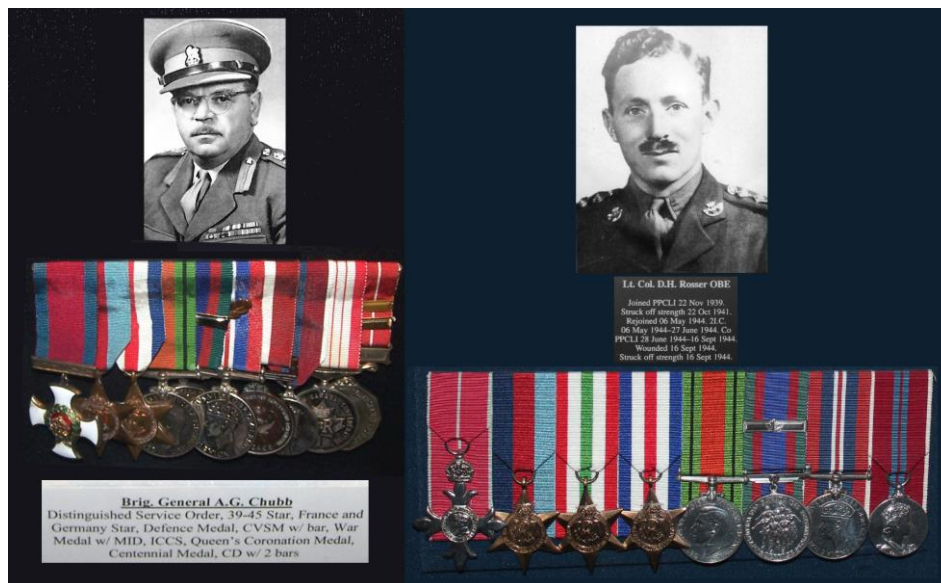
### RIBBON

The ribbon consists of equal stripes of blue, white, red (centre), white, and blue. The colours represent the Union flag and those of France and the Netherlands but not of Belgium.

### ISSUED

There were 230,000 stars issued to Canadians.

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<sup>2</sup> Brigadier Arthur Gerald Chubb, DSO, CD, British Columbia Regiment – Medals in Lord Strathcona's Horse Museum, Calgary, Alberta  
Lieutenant-Colonel David Hillard Rosser, OBE, PPCLI – Medals in the PPCLI Museum – France and Germany Star blue/white/red/white/blue ribbon