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Shadow Stormtrooper



Model TX-5575 , Photo by **Lisa Basham**



Description: Shadow Stormtrooper

Prefix: TX

Detachment: [Spec Ops Detachment](#)

Context: Gambler's World; Crimson Empire; Luke Skywalker and the Shadows of Mindor

Black text indicates a feature that is required for approval. Blue text denotes features that are nice to have, but not required. Red text indicates features that take the prop/costume item to an even higher level of accuracy.

For 501st membership only the requirements listed in black need to be met.

Special Notes:

- The armor parts shall be gloss black and made from one of these types of materials or like materials: Fiberglass, ABS (Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene), or HIPS (High Impact Polystyrene).
 - Blasters are not required for legion membership per our [weapons policy](#).
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This Visual Guide has been reviewed by the detachment staff and the LMO team and is certified for use as a minimum approval guideline for GMLs. GMLs are free to approve this costume type.

Required Costume Components

The following costume components must be present and appear as described below for approval .



Helmet

For 501st approval:

- Lenses must be sufficiently dark enough to obscure the costumer's eyes. They may be flat or bubbled. Acceptable colors are: black, smoke, dark green, or silver.
- The body of the "ears" may be black or gray. The bars have three or four bumps and may be left the same color as the body or painted black.
- The frown must have either 6 or 8 teeth cut out and any coloring must not leave the indented area. Acceptable colors are: black, gray or silver. If there are spaces between the teeth the wearer's face must not be seen
- The tube stripes are black in color and may number between 9 and 15 per side with the curve bends extending backwards. These may be hand painted or decals. There does not need to be the same number per side.
- Vocoder (vertically ribbed chin detail) may be black or silver.
- The aerators (cylinders on either side of the vocoder) are black, and screening maybe silver or black.
- Traps (trapezoids on dome of helmet) and tears (area beneath the corners of eye lenses) may be: hand painted, decals. Acceptable colors are: black or gray. Rear traps and tears may have vertical black lines.
- Note: The FX helmet is considered deprecated (to be avoided), though is acceptable for Legion requirements.
- Note: A stock (out of the box) MRCE and/or EFX PCR helmet does not meet the basic 501st requirements without the major modification that are necessary.



Neck Seal

For 501st approval:

- Black with horizontal ribs, fitted to the wearer, and extending from the base of the neck to the top of the Adam's apple.

For level two certification (if applicable):

For level three certification (if applicable):

Shoulder Straps

For 501st approval:



- These must be securely mounted in front and may free float in back.



Shoulder Bells

For 501st approval:

- One on each shoulder. The shoulder bells are considered effectively symmetrical; they may worn interchangeably on the left and right shoulders.



Biceps

For 501st approval:

- Biceps are fully closed.



Forearms

For 501st approval:

- Forearms must appear to be fully sealed and enclosed.



Handplates

For 501st approval:

- Roughly pentagonal in shape, the hand plates are mounted securely over the back of the glove. As an alternative to plastic, these may be made out of latex or latex-like material but must remain glossy.

Gloves

For 501st approval:

- Black in color, made of either rubber, nomex, leather, or leather-like material, with no visible straps or logos/designs. The fingers are



enclosed, non-textured.

For level two certification (if applicable):

For level three certification (if applicable):



Chest Plate

For 501st approval:

- Chest plate overlaps the abdominal plate.



Back Plate

For 501st approval:

- Back plate contains a "O II" design with little or no overlap of the kidney plate.



Under Suit

For 501st approval:

- Black non-textured material, either one-piece or two-piece construction with no visible zippers or logos.



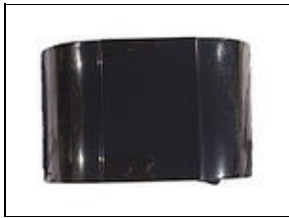
Abdominal Plate

For 501st approval:

- The ab plate has a button area that has 9 gloss black buttons of approximately 7/16" in diameter.

Kidney Plate

For 501st approval:



- It is allowable to have a single kidney/butt plate for 501st requirements. If a separate kidney plate is used, it should line up with the ab plate, with the top of the kidney plate being flush to or under the back plate.



Butt Plate
For 501st approval:

- It is allowable to have a single kidney/butt plate for 501st requirements. If a separate butt plate is used, it should line up below the bottom of the belt with the ab plate, with minimal gap between it and the kidney plate.



Belt
For 501st approval:

- Belt face is made of plastic (ammo belt). It is comprised of 6 rectangular boxes, with three square buttons, one centered in the middle and one on each end.
- Belt proper may be made from glossy black ABS or a similar shiny material and must be 3 to 3.5" wide. Black canvas or similar heavy material may also be used.
- The drop boxes dangle from the sides of the plastic belt face via black straps and are aligned under the plastic tabs of the ammo belt.



Thermal Detonator
For 501st approval:

- (a.k.a. O2 canister) attaches to the back of the belt. This is an all black cylinder 2 to 2.5" in diameter with black end caps and a black control panel pad, with controls closest to the right end cap.



Thigh Armor
For 501st approval:

- The thigh armor may open and firmly close in the back allowing the two halves to appear sealed when viewed by spectators. The ammo belt is installed on the bottom of the right thigh.



Shin Armor
For 501st approval:

- The shin armor is able to open and firmly close in the back allowing the two halves to appear sealed when viewed by spectators. The trapezoid knee plate is affixed to the top of the left shin.



Boots
For 501st approval:

- Black leather or leather-like, above ankle height, with a flat sole, and small U-shaped elastic sections on both sides of the ankle with no buckles or laces. Jodphur-type boots or an equivalent style. All stitching must be black, and unnecessary or decorative stitching must not be present. Elvis / Mariachi boots are not acceptable.
- White, or other color boots may be painted black so long as the boots are maintained to remain the proper color.



Holster
For 501st approval:

- Made of black leather or leather-like material.
- Holster must be worn on the left and be may be attached to the belt from behind with rivets or with loops covering the outside of the belt.

Optional Accessories

Items below are optional costume accessories. These items are not required for approval, but if present must meet the guidelines below.



Black Pauldron
For 501st approval:

- Must be black in color and made from vinyl or leather. Must be worn over the right shoulder.

For level two certification (if applicable):

For level three certification (if applicable):



BlasTech E-11
For 501st approval:

- Based on a real or replica Sterling sub-machine gun, scratch-built, or a modified commercial toy Stormtrooper blaster.

For level two certification (if applicable):

- Folding stock (does not need to function).
- A real or replica ammo counter - based off of a Hengstler counter - should be present.
- D-ring mounted on the rear.
- Correct style scope.
- Two power cylinders on the magazine.
- Scratch-built, resin cast, Hyperfirm rubber cast blasters should have a total of 6 t-racks on blaster (leaving the lowest row on the Hengstler side un-covered).
- Popular commercially available toy Stormtrooper blasters have a total of 7 T-racks (if you cover all the rows of holes) or 6 T-racks (if you cover the "open row" of holes on the Hengstler side).
- Below this, you must grind off the lower T-rack and drill a new row of holes).

For level three certification (if applicable):



BlasTech DLT-19 Heavy Blaster Rifle
For 501st approval:

- Based on a real or replica MG-34 machine gun.

For level two certification (if applicable):

- A DLT-19 is an MG-34 with T-tracks on the barrel, ejection port cover added, and a small disk on left side.

For level three certification (if applicable):

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