Military or civilian persons such as chaplains who are exclusively engaged either temporarily or permanently in the work of their ministry (spiritual assistance) and attached to the armed forces [1] or to medical units [2], medical transports, or civil defence organizations [3].

Religious personnel enjoy the same protection as medical personnel [4] and are identified by the distinctive emblem of the red cross, red crescent or red crystal [5] worn on their clothing.

The provisions governing medical personnel also apply to religious personnel.

See Protected Persons [6];

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