

Need another word that means the same as “civil”? Find 18 synonyms and 30 related words for “civil” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Civil” are: polite, civic, secular, lay, civilian, internal, domestic, interior, home, courteous, well mannered, well bred, gentlemanly, chivalrous, gallant, ladylike, gracious, respectful

Civil as an Adjective

Definitions of "Civil" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “civil” as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *Not rude; marked by satisfactory (or especially minimal) adherence to social usages and sufficient but not noteworthy consideration for others- W.S. Maugham.*
- *Relating to civil law.*
- *Of or in a condition of social order.*
- *Of or occurring within the state or between or among citizens of the state.*
- *Courteous and polite.*
- *Applying to ordinary citizens as contrasted with the military.*
- *Relating to ordinary citizens and their concerns, as distinct from military or ecclesiastical matters.*
- *(of conflict) occurring between citizens of the same country.*
- *Relating to private relations between members of a community; non-criminal.*
- *Legally recognized in ordinary affairs of life.*
- *(of time) fixed by custom or law rather than being natural or astronomical.*
- *Not rude; marked by satisfactory (or especially minimal) adherence to social usages and sufficient but not noteworthy consideration for others.*

- *Of or relating to or befitting citizens as individuals.*



Synonyms of "Civil" as an adjective (18 Words)

- chivalrous** Relating to the historical concept of chivalry.
*The concept of **chivalrous** combat.*
- civic** Relating to the duties or activities of people in relation to their town, city, or local area.
***Civic** pride.*
- civilian** Relating to civilians.
***Civilian** clothes.*
- courteous** Characterized by courtesy and gracious good manners-Francis Bacon.
*If a man be gracious and **courteous** to strangers it shows he is a citizen of the world.*
- domestic** Converted or adapted to domestic use.
***Domesticated** plants like maize.*

<u>gallant</u>	Grand or impressive. A <i>gallant</i> warrior.
gentlemanly	Chivalrous, courteous, or honourable. A <i>gentlemanly</i> profession.
<u>gracious</u>	Showing the elegance and comfort brought by wealth or high social status. <i>Gracious</i> living.
home	Made done or intended for use in the home. Traditional <i>home</i> cooking.
interior	Situated further in or within. The <i>interior</i> lighting is not adequate.
<u>internal</u>	Located inward- Leonard Bernstein- David Denby. <i>Internal</i> bleeding.
ladylike	Appropriate for or typical of a well-bred, decorous woman or girl. Her antics were considered very undignified by her <i>ladylike</i> peers.
<u>lay</u>	Characteristic of those who are not members of the clergy. The <i>lay</i> ministry.
<u>polite</u>	Marked by refinement in taste and manners. They thought she was wrong but were too <i>polite</i> to say so.
respectful	Feeling or manifesting veneration. They sit in <i>respectful</i> silence.
<u>secular</u>	Of or relating to clergy not bound by monastic vows. <i>Secular</i> attitudes to death.
well bred	In good health especially after having suffered illness or injury.
well mannered	In good health especially after having suffered illness or injury.



Usage Examples of "Civil" as an adjective

- *Civil peoples.*
- *Civil twilight.*
- *Civil strife.*
- *Civil aviation.*
- *Civil authorities.*
- *Civil liberty.*
- *They try to work out their differences in a civil manner.*
- *They were comparatively civil to their daughter.*
- *Even if he didn't like them he should have been civil.*
- *A civil court.*
- *Civil rights.*
- *A civil action.*



Associations of "Civil" (30 Words)

ascent	The act of changing location in an upward direction. <i>The ascent grew steeper.</i>
<u>bourgeois</u>	A bourgeois person. <i>A rich bored bourgeois family.</i>
burgess	A member of the assembly of colonial Maryland or Virginia.
burgher	A descendant of a Dutch or Portuguese colonist in Sri Lanka. <i>The poem is not the sort of thing the sturdy burghers of Manchester would wish to read.</i>
<u>citizen</u>	A legally recognized subject or national of a state or commonwealth, either native or naturalized. <i>A British citizen.</i>
citizenship	Conduct as a citizen. <i>Award for good citizenship.</i>
<u>civilian</u>	Relating to civilians. <i>Civilian clothes.</i>
<u>commoner</u>	(at some British universities) an undergraduate who does not have a scholarship. <i>A commoner s gown.</i>
commons	A piece of open land for recreational use in an urban area. <i>The mismanagement of a commons.</i>
<u>constituent</u>	A member of a constituency; a citizen who is represented in a government by officials for whom he or she votes. <i>A component or constituent element of a system.</i>
disfranchise	Deprive of voting rights.
disloyalty	The quality of being disloyal. <i>An accusation of disloyalty and betrayal.</i>
disunion	The breaking up of something such as a federation. <i>His rejection of disunion was consistent with his nationalism.</i>
ensign	A flag or standard, especially a military or naval one indicating nationality. <i>All the ensigns of our greatness.</i>
<u>ethnicity</u>	The quality or fact of belonging to a population group or subgroup made up of people who share a common cultural background or descent. <i>Ethnicity has a strong influence on community status relations.</i>

<u>firebrand</u>	Someone who deliberately foments trouble. <i>A political firebrand.</i>
instigator	A person who initiates a course of action. <i>Any instigators of violence will be punished.</i>
<u>insubordination</u>	An insubordinate act. <i>He was dismissed for insubordination.</i>
insurrection	Organized opposition to authority; a conflict in which one faction tries to wrest control from another. <i>The insurrection was savagely put down.</i>
<u>magistrate</u>	A civil officer who administers the law, especially one who conducts a court that deals with minor offences and holds preliminary hearings for more serious ones.
<u>mutiny</u>	Engage in a mutiny against an authority. <i>The crew were on the verge of mutiny.</i>
nationality	People having common origins or traditions and often comprising a nation. <i>Men of Spanish nationality.</i>
<u>penalty</u>	The act of punishing. <i>Neglected his health and paid the penalty.</i>
<u>plebeian</u>	Lacking in refinement. <i>His square plebeian nose.</i>
<u>rebellion</u>	An act of armed resistance to an established government or leader. <i>The Bretons rose in rebellion against the King.</i>
<u>revolt</u>	Cause to feel disgust. <i>A country wide revolt against the government.</i>
rising	Advancing to maturity or high standing. <i>The rising generation.</i>
secession	Formal separation from an alliance or federation. <i>The republics want secession from the union.</i>
uphill	An upward slope. <i>An uphill struggle to gain worldwide recognition.</i>
<u>uprising</u>	Organized opposition to authority; a conflict in which one faction tries to wrest control from another. <i>An armed uprising.</i>



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