

AUSTRALIAN



AND AWARDS

HONOURS

Instituted on 14 February 1975 by Her Majesty, The Queen of Australia.

To honour Australians and other persons for bravery and service.

<p>VICTORIA CROSS FOR AUSTRALIA (VC) Awarded for the most conspicuous gallantry in the presence of the enemy. Bars are awarded for further acts.</p>	<p>CROSS OF VALOUR (CV) Awarded for acts of the most conspicuous courage in circumstances of extreme peril. Bars are awarded for further acts.</p>	<p>COMPANION OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA (AC) GENERAL DIVISION Appointment is made for eminent achievement and merit of the highest degree. MILITARY DIVISION Appointment is made for eminent service in duties of great responsibility.</p>	<p>OFFICER OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA (AO) GENERAL DIVISION Appointment is made for distinguished service of a high degree. MILITARY DIVISION Appointment is made for distinguished service in responsible positions.</p>	<p>STAR OF GALLANTRY (SG) Awarded for acts of great heroism in action, in circumstances of great peril.</p>	<p>STAR OF COURAGE (SC) Awarded for acts of conspicuous courage in circumstances of great peril.</p>	<p>DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS (DSC) Awarded for distinguished command and leadership in action.</p>	<p>MEMBER OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA (AM) GENERAL DIVISION Appointment is made for service in a particular locality or field of activity. MILITARY DIVISION Appointment is made for exceptional service or performance of duty.</p>	<p>CONSPICUOUS SERVICE CROSS (CSC) Awarded for outstanding devotion to duty and outstanding achievement in non-warlike situations.</p>	<p>NURSING SERVICE CROSS (NSC) Awarded for outstanding devotion and competency in the performance of nursing duties.</p>	<p>MEDAL FOR GALLANTRY (MG) Awarded for gallantry in action in hazardous circumstances.</p>	<p>BRAVERY MEDAL (BM) Awarded for bravery in hazardous circumstances.</p>	<p>DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL (DSM) Awarded for distinguished leadership in action.</p>	<p>PUBLIC SERVICE MEDAL (PSM) Awarded for outstanding public service.</p>	<p>AUSTRALIAN POLICE MEDAL (APM) Awarded for distinguished service by a member of an Australian police force.</p>			
<p>AUSTRALIAN FIRE SERVICE MEDAL (AFSM) Awarded for distinguished service by a member of an Australian fire service.</p>	<p>AMBULANCE SERVICE MEDAL (ASM) Awarded for distinguished service by a member of an Australian ambulance service.</p>	<p>EMERGENCY SERVICES MEDAL (ESM) Awarded for distinguished service by a member of an Australian emergency service.</p>	<p>AUSTRALIAN CORRECTIONS MEDAL (ACM) Awarded for distinguished service by an operational member of an Australian state or territory civilian corrections for adults.</p>	<p>AUSTRALIAN INTELLIGENCE MEDAL (AIM) Awarded for distinguished service by individual members of the ten organisations that comprise the National Intelligence Community.</p>	<p>MEDAL OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA (OAM) GENERAL DIVISION Awarded for service worthy of particular recognition. MILITARY DIVISION Awarded for meritorious service.</p>	<p>ORDER OF ST JOHN Awarded in five grades by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II as Sovereign Head of the Order for service rendered to the Order and its objects and purposes.</p>	<p>CONSPICUOUS SERVICE MEDAL (CSM) Awarded for meritorious achievement or devotion to duty in non-warlike situations.</p>	<p>AUSTRALIAN ANTARCTIC MEDAL (AAM) Awarded with a dated clasp for outstanding service in connection with an Australian Antarctic expedition, e.g. 2021.</p>	<p>COMMENDATION FOR GALLANTRY Awarded for acts of gallantry in action considered worthy of recognition.</p>	<p>COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT Awarded for acts of bravery worthy of recognition.</p>	<p>COMMENDATION FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE Awarded for distinguished performance of duties in warlike operations.</p>	<p>AUSTRALIA SERVICE MEDAL 1999-1945 Awarded for 30 days full time or 90 days part-time service between 3 September 1939 and 2 September 1945.</p>	<p>AUSTRALIA ACTIVE SERVICE MEDAL 1945-1975 Awarded for operational service in Korea, Malaya, Malaysia and Vietnam. Clasps denote the operation theatres, e.g. VIETNAM.</p>	<p>VIETNAM MEDAL 1964-1973 Awarded for operational service in Vietnam between 29 May 1964 and 27 January 1973.</p>			
<p>VIETNAM LOGISTIC AND SUPPORT MEDAL 1964-1973 Awarded for service in support of operations in Vietnam between 29 May 1964 and 27 January 1973.</p>	<p>AUSTRALIAN ACTIVE SERVICE MEDAL 1975-1999 Awarded for operational service in prescribed operations on or after 14 February 1975. Clasps denote the operations, e.g. ICAT.</p>	<p>INTERNATIONAL FORCE EAST TIMOR MEDAL 1999-2000 Awarded for 30 days service between 16 September 1999 and 10 April 2000 in connection with the INTERFET Operation.</p>	<p>AFGHANISTAN MEDAL Awarded for 30 days operational service in Afghanistan commencing on 11 October 2001.</p>	<p>IRAQ MEDAL Awarded for 7 days operational service in Iraq between 18 March 2003 and 30 April 2003 and 30 days from 1 May 2003.</p>	<p>AUSTRALIAN SERVICE MEDAL 1945-1975 Awarded for service in prescribed non-warlike operations between 3 September 1945 and 15 September 1975. Clasps denote the operations, e.g. SW PACIFIC.</p>	<p>AUSTRALIAN GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL - KOREA Awarded for 30 days service in South Korea during the post-armistice period from 28 July 1953 to 19 April 1956.</p>	<p>AUSTRALIAN SERVICE MEDAL 1975-1999 Awarded for service in prescribed non-warlike operations on or after 14 February 1975. Clasps denote the operations, e.g. TIMOR LESTE.</p>	<p>AUSTRALIAN OPERATIONAL SERVICE MEDAL The AOSM replaces the ASM, ASM and campaign medals. It is awarded with a unique ribbon for each operation, e.g. Border Force. An accumulated service device may be awarded.</p>	<p>BORDER PROTECTION Awarded for 30 days or more service in border protection operations.</p>	<p>SPECIAL OPERATIONS Awarded to ADF members on special operations as declared by the Chief of the Defence Force from 1 November 2019.</p>	<p>GREATER MIDDLE EAST Awarded for service in operations MANITOUL ACCORDION and OKRA from 1 July 2014 and service on Operation HIGHROAD from 1 January 2015.</p>	<p>CT/SR Awarded to ADF members on counter terrorism and special recovery activities from 1 November 2020.</p>	<p>AUSTRALIAN OPERATIONAL SERVICE MEDAL - CIVILIAN Awarded to recognise civilians employed on ADF operations. It has a standard ribbon and clasps to denote the operations, e.g. EAST TIMOR.</p>	<p>RHODESIA MEDAL 1979-1980 Awarded for service of 14 days or more on the posted strength of a unit or formation between 1 December 1979 and 20 March 1980.</p>	<p>POLICE OVERSEAS SERVICE MEDAL Awarded to members of Australian police forces who rendered service in international peace-keeping operations. Clasps denote operations, e.g. EAST TIMOR.</p>	<p>HUMANITARIAN SERVICE MEDAL Awarded for humanitarian service in hazardous circumstances outside Australia. Clasps denote the operations, e.g. INDIAN OCEAN.</p>	<p>NATIONAL EMERGENCY MEDAL Awarded to recognise significant or sustained service to others in a nationally significant emergency. Clasps denote the operations, e.g. OLD 2010-11.</p>
<p>CIVILIAN SERVICE MEDAL 1939-1945 Awarded for service with a nominated civilian organisation for at least 180 days between 3 September 1939 and 2 September 1945.</p>	<p>NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE MEDAL Awarded for 15 years service. It recognises the special status that sworn police officers have because of their role protecting the community. Injury or death may be taken into account.</p>	<p>80th ANNIVERSARY ARMISTICE REMEMBRANCE MEDAL Awarded by the Australian Government to veterans of World War I surviving on 11th November 1998.</p>	<p>AUSTRALIAN SPORTS MEDAL Instituted to commemorate Australian sporting achievement in the year 2000. Following changes made on 4 December 2020, it is awarded to commemorate Australian sporting participation in multi-sports events.</p>	<p>THE CENTENARY MEDAL 2001 Awarded to persons who have made a contribution to Australian society or Government.</p>	<p>DEFENCE FORCE SERVICE MEDAL Awarded for 15 years efficient service on or after 14 February 1975. Clasps are awarded for each additional 5 years efficient service.</p>	<p>RESERVE FORCE DECORATION (RFD) Awarded for 15 years efficient service as an Officer completed on or after 14 February 1975. Clasps are awarded for each additional 5 years efficient service.</p>	<p>RESERVE FORCE MEDAL Awarded for 15 years efficient service completed on or after 14 February 1975. Clasps are awarded for each additional 5 years efficient service.</p>	<p>DEFENCE LONG SERVICE MEDAL Awarded to personnel who, on or after 20 April 1994, have completed 15 years efficient service as a member of the Defence Force. Clasps are awarded for each additional 5 years efficient service.</p>	<p>NATIONAL MEDAL Awarded for 15 years diligent service completed on or after 14 February 1975. Clasps are awarded for each additional 10 years diligent service.</p>	<p>AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE MEDAL Awarded to recognise service in the Australian Defence Force, for a minimum of four years (or lesser periods as allowed by regulations) after 3 September 1945.</p>	<p>AUSTRALIAN CADET FORCES SERVICE MEDAL Awarded to officers and instructors of cadets who have completed 15 years efficient service in the cadet forces. Clasps awarded for each additional 5 years efficient service.</p>	<p>CHAMPION SHOT MEDAL Awarded with a dated clasp to one member of the Navy, Army and Air Force each calendar year (if recommended). Dated clasps are awarded for subsequent awards.</p>	<p>ANNIVERSARY OF NATIONAL SERVICE 1951-1972 MEDAL Issued to mark the 50th anniversary of universal conscription in the Regular or Citizens Military Forces. Individuals must have completed their National Service obligation.</p>	<p>UNIT CITATION FOR GALLANTRY Awarded to a unit for extraordinary gallantry in action.</p>	<p>MERITORIOUS UNIT CITATION Awarded to a unit for sustained outstanding service in warlike operations.</p>	<p>GROUP CITATION FOR BRAVERY Awarded for a collective act of bravery by a group of people in extraordinary circumstances.</p>	