

AUSTRALIAN SERVICE MEDAL

DETERMINATION

I, WILLIAM GEORGE HAYDEN, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, having received the approval of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II for the design of the Australian Service Medal, and acting under regulations 6 and 7 of the Australian Service Medal Regulations, determine as follows:

Medal design

1. The Australian Service Medal is a circular nickel-silver medal 38 millimetres in diameter ensigned with the Crown of St Edward in nickel-silver. The obverse bears a modified Shield of the Australian Coat of Arms surmounted by the Defence Force Joint Service Emblem superimposed on a background of the meridians of longitude. The reverse bears clusters of mimosa blossoms surrounding a Federation Star bearing the inscription "FOR SERVICE".

Medal ribbon

2. The Medal is suspended from a ribbon 32 millimetres wide. The ribbon's colours are primarily variations of the Australian colours of green and gold. The ribbon has a central brown stripe 2 millimetres wide symbolising the earth of Australia and is flanked by two stripes of dark green 3 millimetres wide, stripes of light green 4 millimetres wide, gold stripes 1 millimetre wide and silver-green stripes 7 millimetres wide.

Medal dress

3. The Medal is worn on the left breast whenever full size orders, decorations and medals are worn.

Medal Miniature

4. The miniature of the Australian Service Medal is a half-size replica of the Medal suspended from a miniature ribbon 16 millimetres wide. The miniature Medal is worn whenever miniatures of orders, decorations and medals are worn.

Clasp

5. Each Medal presented has a nickel-silver clasp 37 millimetres wide and 6 millimetres high attached to the ribbon bearing the name of the theatre where the recipient served.

Further awards

6. A further award or awards for subsequent service in another area or areas is recognised by the presentation of an additional clasp or clasps. The clasp or clasps are attached to the ribbon of the Medal above the original clasp. Clasp sets consist of a bar for both the full-size and miniature medals.

Order of Precedence

7. The Medal is worn in accordance with the Australian Order of Precedence of Honours and Awards as approved from time to time by The Sovereign.

Dated *25th October* 1991.

Bill Hayden

Governor-General