THE ORDER OF WEARING AUSTRALIAN HONOURS AND AWARDS (MODIFIED)


1. The Governor-General notifies for general information the positioning of the wearing of Australian Orders, Decorations and Medals. This notification incorporates the positioning of the following awards: the Afghanistan Medal (notified in Special Gazette No. S422 of 22 October 2004); the Iraq Medal (notified in Special Gazette No. S421 of 22 October 2004); the Australian Defence Medal (notified in Special Gazette No. S48 of 30 March 2006), the National Police Service Medal (notified in Special Gazette No. S31 of 3 March 2011) and the National Emergency Medal (notified in Special Gazette No. S169 of 28 October 2011), and the Australian Operational Service Medal (notified in Special Gazette No. S67 of 6 June 2012). The position of the Australian General Service Medal for Korea is defined in the medal regulations notified in CAG S20 of 3 March 2010.

2. The Schedule, together with the Annexes to the Schedule, incorporates the new positioning of these awards and supersedes that notified in Commonwealth of Australia Gazette No. S101 of 4 April 2002.

3. Honours and Awards listed in the Schedule and Annexes in BOLD and UPPER CASE print are:
   - those within the Australian honours and awards system;
   - those conferred by The Sovereign in exercise of the Royal Prerogative;
   - those within the Order of St John; and
   - foreign awards, the acceptance and wearing of which have been authorised by the Governor-General.
     – all imperial British awards made to Australian citizens after 5 October 1992 are foreign awards and should be worn accordingly.

4. Those honours and awards listed in the Schedule and Annexes in unbolded and lower case print are Imperial awards.

**VICTORIA CROSS**

George Cross

**CROSS OF VALOUR**

**KNIGHT/LADY OF THE GARTER**

**KNIGHT/LADY OF THE THISTLE**

Knight/Dame Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath

**ORDER OF MERIT**

**KNIGHT/DAME OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA**

**KNIGHT/DAME GRAND CROSS OF THE ROYAL VICTORIAN ORDER**

Knight/Dame Grand Cross of the Order of St Michael and St George

**COMPANION OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA**

Companion of Honour

Knight/Dame Commander of the Order of the Bath

Knight/Dame Commander of the Order of St Michael and St George

**KNIGHT/DAME COMMANDER OF THE ROYAL VICTORIAN ORDER**
Knight/Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire KBE/DBE
Knight Bachelor (NB: Confers title of ‘Sir’—no postnominal)

**OFFICER OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA** AO

Companion of the Order of the Bath CB
Companion of the Order of St Michael and St George CMG

**COMMANDER OF THE ROYAL VICTORIAN ORDER** CVO
Commander of the Order of the British Empire CBE

**STAR OF GALLANTRY** SG

**STAR OF COURAGE** SC

Companion of the Distinguished Service Order DSO

**DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS** DSC

**MEMBER OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA** AM

**LIEUTENANT OF THE ROYAL VICTORIAN ORDER** LVO
Officer of the Order of the British Empire OBE
Companion of the Imperial Service Order ISO

**MEMBER OF THE ROYAL VICTORIAN ORDER** MVO
Member of the Order of the British Empire MBE

**CONSPICUOUS SERVICE CROSS** CSC

**NURSING SERVICE CROSS** NSC
Royal Red Cross (1st Class) RRC
Distinguished Service Cross DSC
Military Cross MC
Distinguished Flying Cross DFC
Air Force Cross AFC
Royal Red Cross (2nd Class) ARRC

**MEDAL FOR GALLANTRY** MG

**BRAVERY MEDAL** BM

**DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL** DSM

**PUBLIC SERVICE MEDAL** PSM

**AUSTRALIAN POLICE MEDAL** APM

**AUSTRALIAN FIRE SERVICE MEDAL** FSM

**AMBULANCE SERVICE MEDAL** ASM

**EMERGENCY SERVICES MEDAL** ESM

**MEDAL OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA** OAM

**ORDER OF ST JOHN**
Distinguished Conduct Medal DCM
Conspicuous Gallantry Medal CGM
George Medal GM

**CONSPICUOUS SERVICE MEDAL** CSM

**AUSTRALIAN ANARCTIC MEDAL** AAM
Queen’s Police Medal for Gallantry OPM
Queen’s Fire Service Medal for Gallantry QFSM
Distinguished Service Medal DSM
Military Medal MM
Distinguished Flying Medal DFM
Air Force Medal AFM
Queen’s Gallantry Medal QGM
ROYAL VICTORIAN MEDAL RVM
British Empire Medal BEM
Queen’s Police Medal for Distinguished Service QPM
Queen’s Fire Service Medal for Distinguished Service QFSM

COMMENDATION FOR GALLANTRY
COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT
Queen’s Commendation for Brave Conduct
COMMENDATION FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

War medals, campaign medals, active service medals and service medals,

South African War
Queen’s South Africa Medal
King’s South Africa Medal

World War I
1914 Star
1914–1915 Star\(^{1}\)
British War Medal
Mercantile Marine War Medal
Victory Medal
Naval General Service Medal 1915–1962\(^{6, 7}\)
General Service Medal 1918–1962(6, 7)

World War II
1939–1945 Star
Atlantic Star(8)
Air Crew Europe Star\(^{(6)}\)
Arctic Star
Africa Star
Pacific Star\(^{(6)}\)
Burma Star(9)
Italy Star
France and Germany Star(8)
Defence Medal
War Medal, 1939–1945

AUSTRALIA SERVICE MEDAL 1939–1945
Post-World War II

AUSTRALIAN ACTIVE SERVICE MEDAL 1945–1975
Korea Medal
United Nations Service Medal for Korea
Naval General Service Medal 1915–1962
General Service Medal 1918–1962
General Service Medal 1962
VIETNAM MEDAL
VIETNAM LOGISTIC AND SUPPORT MEDAL
AUSTRALIAN ACTIVE SERVICE MEDAL
INTERNATIONAL FORCE EAST TIMOR MEDAL
AFGHANISTAN MEDAL
IRAQ MEDAL
AUSTRALIAN SERVICE MEDAL 1945–1975
AUSTRALIAN GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL FOR KOREA
AUSTRALIAN SERVICE MEDAL
AUSTRALIAN OPERATIONAL SERVICE MEDAL
AUSTRALIAN OPERATIONAL SERVICE MEDAL (CIVILIAN)
RHODESIA MEDAL

POLICE OVERSEAS SERVICE MEDAL
HUMANITARIAN OVERSEAS SERVICE MEDAL
NATIONAL EMERGENCY MEDAL
CIVILIAN SERVICE MEDAL 1939–1945
NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE MEDAL

Polar Medal
Imperial Service Medal

Coronation, Jubilee, Remembrance and Commemorative medals, (in order of date of receipt)

KING EDWARD VII CORONATION MEDAL
KING GEORGE V CORONATION MEDAL
KING GEORGE V SILVER JUBILEE MEDAL
KING GEORGE VI CORONATION MEDAL
QUEEN ELIZABETH II CORONATION MEDAL
QUEEN ELIZABETH II SILVER JUBILEE MEDAL
80th ANNIVERSARY ARMISTICE REMEMBRANCE MEDAL
AUSTRALIAN SPORTS MEDAL
CENTENARY MEDAL
Australian Long Service Medals

DEFENCE FORCE SERVICE MEDAL
RESERVE FORCE DECORATION RFD
RESERVE FORCE MEDAL
DEFENCE LONG SERVICE MEDAL
NATIONAL MEDAL
AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE MEDAL
AUSTRALIAN CADET FORCES SERVICE MEDAL

CHAMPION SHOTS MEDAL

Long Service Medals (Imperial)(13)

ANNIVERSARY OF NATIONAL SERVICE 1951–1972 MEDAL

Independence and Anniversary Medals, (in order of date of receipt)

Foreign Awards, (in order of date of authorisation of their acceptance and wearing)

Notes:

1. Refers to the Imperial Victoria Cross and the Victoria Cross for Australia.
2. Provision for further awards at this level within the Order of Australia was removed by Her Majesty The Queen on 3 March 1986 on the advice of the Prime Minister.
3. Listed to indicate where any awards within the Order of St John should be worn; however, the Service Medal of the Order of St John should be worn as a Long Service Medal after all other Imperial Long Service awards. Postnominals within the Order of St John are not recognised as notified in the Governor-General’s media release of 14 August 1982. (The Life Saving Medal is worn on the right side.)
4. The Australian Antarctic Medal was known as the Antarctic Medal until 18 December 1997.
5. Recipients of the 1914 Star are not eligible for the award of the 1914–1915 Star.
6. The order of wearing of the Naval General Service Medal 1915–1962 and General Service Medal 1918–1962 (Army and Air Force) will vary from person to person depending on when the person earned the first clasp. If the first clasp relates to service between World War I and World War II, the medals should be worn immediately after World War I war medals. If the first clasp relates to service after 2 September 1945, the medals should be worn immediately after the United Nations Service Medal for Korea.
7. Clasps to these medals should be worn on the ribbon in order of date of receipt.
8. Only one of these three Stars could be awarded to an individual. Should a person have qualified for two of these awards, the Star first earned is worn with the clasp of the second Star. Only one Star and one clasp may be worn even if the person qualified for all three Stars.
9. Only one of these two Stars could be awarded to an individual. Should a person have qualified for both the Pacific Star and the Burma Star, the Star first earned was awarded together with the appropriate clasp denoting the service that would have qualified for the other Star.
10. Uniquely, although a foreign award, the United Nations Service Medal for Korea is worn immediately after the Korea Medal. All other foreign awards for which official permission has been given to accept and wear are worn as foreign awards.
11. A person who has been awarded the Vietnam Medal, or who is eligible for the award of the Vietnam Medal, is not eligible for the award of the Vietnam Logistic and Support Medal.
12. Worn in order of date of qualifying service.
13. Refers to Imperial efficiency and long service awards.
General Note:

The Unit Citation for Gallantry, the Meritorious Unit Citation and the Group Bravery Citation are not positioned in The Order of Wearing Australian Honours and Awards. For members of uniformed services, they are to be worn in accordance with the dress rules of the particular Service concerned. Civilian personnel awarded the Group Bravery Citation should wear the insignia on the left lapel or left breast. Should other honours or awards have been awarded, the Group Bravery Citation should be worn centrally, approximately 10 mm above these.