Guide to the Korean War Nominal Roll

The Republic of Korea War Service Medal was introduced by South Korea in 1951 to recognise the assistance provided by members of the United Nations forces in combatting communist aggressions in Korea.

The Governor-General accepted the offer of the Medal, and issued formal approval for the wearing of the Medal, in 2017.

Eligibility for the Medal

Veterans who have been awarded with the Australian Active Service Medal 1945-75 with clasp KOREA (AASM KOREA) are also eligible for the Republic of Korea War Service medal. In more detail, the eligibility criteria, as directed by the Republic of Korea, is as follows:

- Served between 25 June 1950 and 27 July 1953;
- The service prescribed must have been performed:
  - While on permanent assignment; or
  - While on temporary duty within the territorial limits of Korea or on waters immediately adjacent thereto for 30 consecutive days or 60 days not consecutive; or
  - While as crew members of aircraft in aerial flight over Korea participating in actual combat operations or in support of combat operations.


If you are unsure of your or your relatives’ service dates you can access the Korean War Nominal Roll which has been curated by the Department of Veterans’ Affairs. The Nominal Roll is an index of information that provides a ‘snapshot’ of individual service gathered from service records.


How to use the Nominal Roll

2. In the search box on the home page, select Korean War as the Conflict and then enter the service number, or name, of the person you are looking for and press Search. If needed, you can search using more information (such as Unit) by accessing the Search option on the Korea War page [nominal-rolls.dva.gov.au/koreanWar](http://nominal-rolls.dva.gov.au/koreanWar).
3. The Korean War Service details will be displayed:

![Korean War Service](image)

4. You can then determine whether the member served during 25 June 1950 and 27 July 1953.

For further information call 1800 DEFENCE (1800 333 362) or visit www.defence.gov.au/Medals