

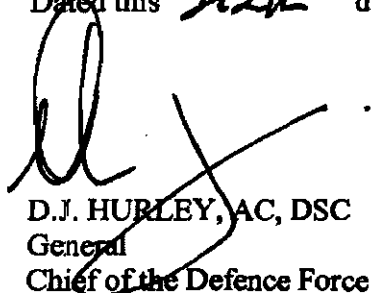
**COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA**

**DEFENCE FORCE SERVICE AWARDS REGULATIONS**

**DETERMINATION BY THE CHIEF OF THE DEFENCE FORCE**

I, DAVID JOHN HURLEY, the Chief of the Defence Force, being designated as the person to determine a period of a member's qualifying service as efficient service for the award of the Defence Force Service Awards, exercise my authority under regulation 3 of the Defence Force Service Awards Regulations to determine the minimum annual periods of service to be completed by members to be those shown in the attached Schedule.

Dated this *Sixth* day of *February* 2013



D.J. HURLEY, AC, DSC  
General  
Chief of the Defence Force

## Schedule

### MINIMUM PERIODS OF ANNUAL QUALIFYING SERVICE – DEFENCE FORCE SERVICE AWARDS

The minimum periods of qualifying service required under these Regulations for each year served are provided in the table below. The days shown are to be remunerated at Defence rates of salary, unless they are for approved voluntary unpaid service.

Service category	Minimum qualifying period	Effective dates	Comments
<b>Defence Force Service Medal</b>			
Permanent Forces	365 days effective service		Up to 3 years qualifying service as a Reserve member may be counted toward the award of the Medal only.  Note 1
<b>Reserve Force Decoration (Note 4)</b>			
<b>Royal Australian Navy</b>			
Active Unattached -- Merchant Marine Officers, Seaman and Engineers	12 days	Until 28 October 1991	Note 2.
	1 day	From 29 October 1991	
Active Unattached – Legal, Hydrographic, Medical, Dental, Psychologist and Chaplain Officers	5 days	Until 28 October 1991	Note 2.
	1 day	From 29 October 1991	
Active Attached – All personnel attached to Port Divisions	12 days	Until 28 October 1991	Note 3.
	1 day	From 29 October 1991	
Inactive Reserve	Any period called upon to serve and service is completed		
<b>Australian Army</b>			
Army Reserve	26 days, including such periods of continuous training and home training as are directed	Until 30 June 1993	

	by the proper military authority		
	14 days	From 1 July 1993	
Supplementary Reserve Units	14 days continuous service	Until 30 June 1993	From 1 July 1993 as for Army Reserve
Special conditions units	A total of 26 days continuous service	Until 30 June 1993	From 1 July 1993 as for Army Reserve
Specialist consultants	7 days	From 1 July 1993	Service to be approved by a formation commander
<b>Royal Australian Air Force</b>			
Active Reserve	32 days		
Specialist Reserve	7 days		
General Reserve	1 day		
<b>Reserve Force Medal (Note 5)</b>			
<b>Royal Australian Navy</b>			
Active Unattached – Merchant Marine Officers, Seaman and Engineers	12 days	Until 28 October 1991	Note 2.
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**Notes:**

1. Service counted toward this award must be service that would be qualifying service for the RFD or RFM.
2. Service may be aggregated over a period of 3 years to achieve an average total of at least 12 days per annum, ie a total of at least 36 days service within a 3 year period
3. Service may be aggregated over a period of 2 years to achieve an average total of at least 12 days per annum, ie a total of at least 24 days service within a 2 year period
4. Up to 3 years qualifying service as a commissioned officer of the Permanent Force may be counted toward the award of the Medal only.
5. Up to 3 years qualifying service as a member of the Permanent Force may be counted toward the award of the Medal only.