

# Australian Active Service Medal Regulations (Clasp 'SOMALIA') Declaration and Determination 2023

I, Her Excellency the Honourable Margaret Beazley AC KC, Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia, make the following Declaration under regulation 3 and Determination under subregulation 4(2) of the *Australian Active Service Medal Regulations*.

Dated 20 November 2023

Margaret Beazley

Administrator of the

Government of the Commonwealth of Australia

By Her Excellency's Command

MATTHEW KEOGH

Minister for Defence Personnel

For the Minister for Defence

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## 1 Name

This instrument is the Australian Active Service Medal Regulations (Clasp 'SOMALIA') Declaration and Determination 2023.

#### 2 Commencement

This instrument commences the day after signature.

# 3 Authority

This instrument is made under regulation 3 and subregulation 4(2) of the *Australian Active Service Medal Regulations*, as published in Special Gazette No. S335 on 2 November 1988.

#### 4 Revocation

The Declaration and Determination under the *Australian Active Service Medal Regulations*, as published in Special Gazette No. S86 on 20 May 2011, is revoked.

## 5 Definitions

In this instrument:

Member means a member of the Australian Defence Force.

Prescribed number of sorties means 1 operational sortie.

**Prescribed period** means any of the following:

- (a) For both of the following a period of not less than 1 day or 1 sortie.
  - (i) The prescribed operations under section 6.
  - (ii) The conditions under subparagraphs 7(1)(a)(i), 7(1)(a)(ii), 7(1)(a)(iv) and paragraph 7(1)(b).
- (b) For the condition under subparagraph 7(1)(a)(iv) a period of not less than an aggregate of 30 days.

Regulations means the Australian Active Service Medal Regulations.

## 6 Prescribed operation

For regulation 3 of the Regulations, the following warlike operations in which service was performed in the area comprising Somalia are *prescribed operations* for the purposes of those Regulations.

(a) The land and sea component of Operation IGUANA during the period that commenced on 17 October 1992 and ended on 30 April 1993.

- (b) The Battalion Group in Operation SOLACE during the period that commenced on 10 January 1993 and ended on 21 May 1993.
- (c) The naval component in Operation SOLACE during the period that commenced on 10 January 1993 and ended on 21 May 1993.
- (d) The land and air component of the Second United Nations Operation in Somalia during the period that commenced on 1 May 1993 and ended on 28 March 1995.

#### 7 Conditions

- (1) For subregulation 4(2) of the Regulations, any of the following conditions apply for the award of the Australian Active Service Medal with Clasp 'SOMALIA'.
  - (a) A member may be awarded the medal if they rendered service on a prescribed operation and met any of the following during the prescribed period.
    - (i) They rendered assigned service as a member of the Australian element.
    - (ii) They rendered assigned service as part of the contribution of a foreign Defence Force on an approved third country deployment while on secondment or exchange.
    - (iii) They rendered assigned service as a member of the Australian element and completed 1 sortie.
    - (iv) They rendered service for official visits, inspections or other occurrences of a temporary nature with the military contribution.
  - (b) A person in a class of persons determined by the Minister under paragraph 4(4)(b) of the Regulations may be awarded the medal if they were a part of the Australian element of the prescribed operation for the prescribed period.
- (2) Where a member does not complete the prescribed period due to the member's death, illness, injury or disability due to service in the prescribed operation, the member will be deemed to have completed the prescribed period.
- (3) Where a member was eligible for the Australian Service Medal with clasp 'SOMALIA', the member will be awarded the Australian Active Service Medal with Clasp 'SOMALIA'.

# Schedule—Savings

- (1) This section applies to a member who was awarded the Australian Active Service Medal with clasp 'SOMALIA' under the Declaration and Determination under the *Australian Active Service Medal Regulations*, as published in Special Gazette No. S86 on 20 May 2011.
- (2) The member remains eligible for the Australian Active Service Medal with clasp 'SOMALIA' under this instrument.