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GOVERNMENT NOTICES



AUSTRALIAN FIRE SERVICE MEDAL

DETERMINATION

I, General the Honourable David Hurley, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting in pursuance of regulations 3 and 6 of the *Australian Fire Service Medal Regulations* revoke the *Australian Fire Service Medal Determination* made on the twelfth day of August 1991, and hereby determine as follows (see note):

Main Piece

The Australian Fire Service Medal is a circular copper-nickel medal 38 millimetres in diameter ensigned with the Crown of Saint Edward, also in copper-nickel, with an effigy of Queen Elizabeth II superimposed over a seven pointed star of flames on the obverse, and the words 'AUSTRALIAN FIRE SERVICE MEDAL' surrounding the inscription 'FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE' on a background of flames on the reverse. The Australian Fire Service Medal is suspended from a ribbon, 32 millimetres wide, having two green vertical bands each of 8 millimetres flanking a band of gold 16 millimetres wide which has superimposed on it a central band of an irregular red pattern symbolising flames. The medal thickness is 3mm. The height from the top of the suspender bar to the bottom of the medal is 55mm. The total height of the Main Piece is 96mm.

Miniature Piece

The Miniature Piece of the Australian Fire Service Medal is a half-size replica of the Main Piece suspended from a miniature ribbon 16 millimetres wide. The medal thickness is 2mm. The height from the top of the suspender bar to the bottom of the medal is 27.5mm. The total height of the Miniature Piece is 48mm.

Lapel Badge

The Lapel Badge of the Australian Fire Service Medal is a replica of the medal 10 millimetres in diameter.

Ribbon Bar

The Ribbon Bar of the Australian Fire Service Medal consists of a strip of full-sized ribbon, 32 millimetres wide and 10 millimetres high, with no emblem.

Wearing

The Australian Fire Service Medal is worn on the left breast on all occasions when full-size orders, decorations and medals are worn. The Miniature Piece is worn on all occasions when miniatures of orders, decorations and medals are worn. The Ribbon Bar may be worn at any time on uniform or civilian dress at the discretion of the recipient. The Lapel Badge may be worn at any time with civilian dress. The manner of wearing the Australian Fire Service Medal is in accordance with the *Guide to the Wearing of Insignia*.

Order of Wear

The Australian Fire Service Medal is worn in accordance with *The Order of Wearing of Australian Honours and Awards.*

Note

The Letters Patent approved by The Sovereign institutes the medal and ordains that the medal is governed by the Regulations Governing the Award of the Australian Fire Service Medal. These Regulations, approved by The Sovereign, set out the terms and conditions of an award, and states that the design, and manner of wearing, of the medal is determined by the Governor-General.

This document is known as the **Determination** and it informs the design of the medal, its associated insignia, and that the order of wearing is in accordance with The Order of Wearing of Australian Honours and Awards and the manner of wearing is in accordance with the Guide to the Wearing of Insignia. The design of the medal and associated insignia must be in accordance with the relevant technical specifications.

The placement of the medal is approved by The Sovereign, and the Order of Wearing of Australian Honours and Awards is the notification by the Governor-General of the positioning of all awards in the Australian honours system.

These instruments collectively inform the rules and conditions associated with the Australian Fire Service Medal.

Dated this 28rd day of April 2023

His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd)

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