

# Regulations Governing the Award of the Australian Corrections Medal

**as amended**

made under

**Letters Patent**

This compilation was prepared in January 2023 taking into account amendments to the *Australian Corrections Medal Regulations - 2021*.

## Schedule

**Name** [see note 1]

1. These are the *Australian Corrections Medal Regulations 2017*.

### Definitions

2. In these Regulations:

**correctional service** means a State or Territory civilian correctional service for adults.

**correctional service member** means a person who is employed or engaged by a correctional service, or by an entity that is authorised to perform functions for a correctional service, to perform primarily operational duties in relation to:

- (a) the control and management of offenders in custody or in the community; or
- (b) the provision of custody-based, or community-based, programs and services that support behavioural change, or address criminogenic needs, of offenders.

**Medal** means the Australian Corrections Medal.

**Register** means the Register maintained under paragraph 8(2) (a).

**Registrar** means Registrar of Awards appointed under subregulation 8(1).

**responsible Minister** means:

- (a) for State—the Premier of the State or a Minister of the State acting for the Premier; or
- (b) for the Australian Capital Territory of the Northern Territory—the Chief Minister of the Territory or a Minister of the Territory acting for the Chief Minister.

### Award of Medal

3. (1) The Medal may be awarded to a person who:
  - (a) has given distinguished service as a correctional service member; and
  - (b) was a correctional service member at the time the person was nominated for the award of the Medal.
- (2) The Medal may be awarded regardless of whether the person is eligible for any other award because of the service.
- (3) However, a person who is already a holder of the Medal is not eligible for another award of the Medal.
- (4) The Governor-General may determine, in writing, on the recommendation of the Prime Minister, the number of awards of the Medal for each of the following:
  - (a) a State in a calendar year;
  - (b) the Australian Capital Territory in a calendar year;
  - (c) the Northern Territory in a calendar year.
- (5) The Prime Minister must not make a recommendation under subregulation (4) in relation to the number of awards of the Medal for a State or a Territory for a calendar year unless the number is broadly proportionate to the State or Territory's share of the total number of members of the correctional services across all of the States, the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory.
- (6) The number of awards of the Medal under this regulation for a State or a Territory for a calendar year must not exceed the number specified in, or worked out in accordance with, a determination under subregulation (4) in relation to the State or Territory for that year.

### Conditions for additional award of the Medal—COVID-19 pandemic

- 3A. (1) The Medal may be awarded for service in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic to a person eligible for the award of the Medal under regulation 3.

- (2) An award of the Medal in accordance with this regulation may only be made in the 5-year period commencing on 25 January 2020 or, if the Governor-General determines a further period, such further period.
- (3) The Governor-General may, on the recommendation of the Prime Minister, determine a further period, not exceeding 3 years, for the purposes of subregulation (2).
- (4) The Governor-General may, under subregulation (3), determine a further period more than once. However, each period of extension must not exceed 3 years.
- (5) To avoid doubt, an award of the Medal in accordance with this regulation does not count towards a limit in subregulation 3(6).

#### **Making of awards**

4. An award of the Medal must be:
  - (a) made by the Governor-General, on the nomination of the responsible Minister; and
  - (b) notified in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette*.

#### **Design of Medal**

5. The design of the Medal is as determined by the Governor-General.

#### **Wearing of Medal**

6. The manner of wearing the Medal is as determined by the Governor-General.

#### **Designation of holder of Medal**

7. A person to whom the Medal has been awarded is entitled to have the letters "ACM" placed after his or her name on all occasions when the use of such letters is customary.

#### **Registrar of Awards**

8. (1) The Governor-General must appoint a Registrar of Awards.
- (2) The Registrar must:
  - (a) maintain a Register of the names of persons to whom the Medal has been awarded; and
  - (b) keep such other records relating to the award of the Medal as the Governor-General directs.

#### **Cancellation of award**

9. (1) On the recommendation of a responsible Minister, the Governor-General may cancel an award of the Medal.
- (2) If an award of the Medal is cancelled:
  - (a) the Registrar must remove from the Register the entry relating to the award; and
  - (b) the person holding the Medal must return the Medal to the Registrar.

#### **Reinstatement of award**

10. (1) On the recommendation of a responsible Minister, the Governor-General may reinstate an award of the Medal that has been cancelled.
- (2) If an award is reinstated, the Registrar must:
  - (a) restore the entry that was removed from the Register; and
  - (b) return the Medal to the person to whom it was awarded.

#### **Notes to the Regulations Governing the Award of the Australian Corrections Medal**

##### **Note 1**

The *Regulations Governing the Award of the Australian Corrections Medal* (in force under *Letters Patent*) as shown in this compilation is amended as indicated in the Tables below.

### Table of Instruments

Title	Date of notification in gazette	Date of commencement	Application, saving or transitional provisions
Regulations Governing the Award of the Australian Corrections Medal	18 Aug 2017 (see <i>Gazette</i> 2017, No. C2017G00904)	19 June 2017	—
Amendments to the Australian Corrections Medal Regulations - 2021	6 June 2022 (see <i>Gazette</i> 2022, No. C2022G00464)	23 Dec 2021	—

### Table of Amendments

ad. = added or inserted | am. = amended | rep. = repealed | rs. = repealed and substituted

Provision affected	How affected
R. 3	am. 2017
R. 3A	ad. 2021