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**NATIONAL MEDAL (APPROVED VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS)
DETERMINATION 2011**

It is notified for general information that the Governor-General has approved new determinations for the approved voluntary organisations for the National Medal. These determinations are to be known as the *National Medal (Approved Voluntary Organisations) Determination 2011*.

The new determinations revoke the *National Medal (Approved Voluntary Organisations) Determination 2008* and extend eligibility for the *National Medal* to operational members of Marine Rescue New South Wales and members of Tasmanian Mounted Search and Rescue Incorporated.

The new *National Medal (Approved Voluntary Organisations) Determination 2011* can be found on the following websites:

www.itsanhonour.gov.au and www.gg.gov.au.

By Her Excellency's Command

Stephen Brady
Official Secretary to the Governor-General



National Medal (Approved Voluntary Organisations) Determination 2011

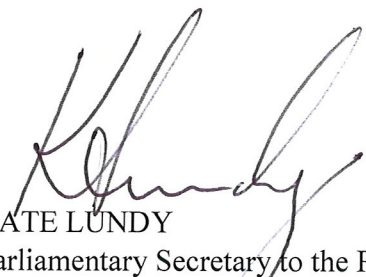
National Medal Regulations 2011

I, QUENTIN BRYCE, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting on the recommendation of the Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister, make this Determination under subregulation 9 (1) of the *National Medal Regulations 2011*.

Dated 31/8 2011


Governor-General

By Her Excellency's Command


KATE LUNDY
Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister

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1 Name of Determination

This Determination is the *National Medal (Approved Voluntary Organisations) Determination 2011*.

2 Commencement

This Determination commences on the day it is published in the *Gazette*.

3 Revocation

The *National Medal (Approved Voluntary Organisations) Determination 2008* is revoked.

4 Definitions

(1) In this Determination:

commencement day means the day on which this Determination commences.

Patrol Member means an Active Member of Surf Life Saving Australia Limited (including a Life Member, Reserve Active Member, Long Service Member or Past Active Member) who:

- (a) has met the requirements of the annual proficiency test for the Surf Life Saving Australia Limited Bronze Medallion for each year of eligible service; and
- (b) has completed at least 30 patrol hours in each year of eligible service.

Regulations means the *National Medal Regulations 2011*, set out in the Schedule to the Letters Patent dated 20 April 2011 given under the Great Seal of Australia.

- (2) Unless the contrary intention appears, a word that is used in this Determination and defined in the Regulations has the same meaning in this Determination as it has in the Regulations.

- (3) If this Determination uses an expression in reference to a particular kind of member of an approved voluntary organisation (for example, 'Active Member'), the expression refers to a member of the organisation who is known in that organisation by the expression.

5 Determination of approved voluntary organisations

For subregulation 9(1) of the Regulations, a voluntary organisation mentioned in an item in Schedule 1 is an approved voluntary organisation.

6 Approval date of approved voluntary organisations

The approval date of an approved voluntary organisation is the approval date for the organisation mentioned in Schedule 1.

7 Determination of length of eligible service

- (1) For subregulation 18(4) of the Regulations, Schedule 1 sets out for an approved voluntary organisation:
- (a) the date of the first day of service in the organisation that can be counted as eligible service; or
 - (b) the period within which service in the organisation can be counted as eligible service.
- (2) For paragraph 17(1)(a) of the Regulations and item 4 of Schedule 1, service by a member of Surf Life Saving Australia Limited in any of the following capacities is taken not to fulfil the primary function of Surf Life Saving Australia Limited:
- (a) General Member;
 - (b) Associate Member;
 - (c) Probationary Member;
 - (d) Award Member;
 - (e) Cadet Member;
 - (f) Junior Activity Member;
 - (g) Honorary Member.
- (3) For paragraph 17(1)(a) of the Regulations and item 5 of Schedule 1, service by a member of the New South Wales Volunteer Rescue Association Inc in any of the following capacities is taken not to fulfil the primary function of the New South Wales Volunteer Rescue Association Inc:
- (a) organisational or auxiliary member;
 - (b) radio operator;
 - (c) first aid officer for community events.

Note Organisational and auxiliary members include people engaged in supervisory, management, organisational or training roles.

Schedule 1 Approved voluntary organisations

(sections 5 to 7)

Item	Approved voluntary organisation	Approval date	Commencement date of eligible service	Period of eligible service
1	The part of the Australian Volunteer Coastguard Association Incorporated whose functions are performed by the Regular Operational Members and the Provisional Operational Members <i>Note</i> This organisation has ceased to exist — see item 9 for the new amalgamated body.	28 April 2000	7 August 1970	
2	The part of the Royal Volunteer Coastal Patrol whose functions are performed by Competent Crew <i>Note</i> This organisation has ceased to exist — see item 9 for the new amalgamated body.	3 July 2000	13 June 1963	
3	The part of the South Australian Sea Rescue Squadron Incorporated whose functions are performed by Members with Operational Status	14 August 2000	18 May 1962	
4	The part of Surf Life Saving Australia Limited whose functions are performed by employees or members as rescue helicopter pilots, rescue helicopter aircrew, jet/offshore rescue boat skippers, jet/offshore rescue boat drivers, jet/offshore rescue boat crew, operational members of emergency response groups or Patrol Members <i>Note 1</i> For the meaning of Patrol Member , see subsection 4 (1). <i>Note 2</i> Service by certain members of Surf Life Saving Australia Limited is not counted as eligible service — see subsection 7 (2).	16 October 2000	18 September 1986	

Item	Approved voluntary organisation	Approval date	Commencement date of eligible service	Period of eligible service
4A	The part of affiliated units of the New South Wales Volunteer Rescue Association Inc whose search or rescue operations within New South Wales or Norfolk Island are performed by search/rescue pilots, search/rescue aircrew, inshore/offshore search/rescue boat skippers/drivers, inshore/offshore search/rescue crew, inland search/rescue boat skippers and boat crew, land rescue operators, land-based operational search members or operational members of accredited specialist units performing search/rescue functions <i>Note</i> Service by certain members of the New South Wales Volunteer Rescue Association Inc is not counted as eligible service —see subsection 7 (3).	19 February 2001	4 July 1988	
5	The part of V M R Mornington Volunteer Marine Rescue Inc (until 15 February 2001 known as Mornington Bay Rescue Service Inc) whose functions are performed by Operational Members	18 April 2001	5 February 1990	
6	The part of the Central Queensland Helicopter Rescue Service Ltd whose functions are performed by employees or members as helicopter pilots or rescue helicopter aircrew	19 May 2004	11 September 1996	
7	The part of the Volunteer Marine Rescue Association Queensland Inc (until 19 March 1996 known as Air Sea Rescue Associations of Queensland Inc) whose functions are performed by Operational Members <i>Note</i> This organisation has ceased to exist — see item 9 for the new amalgamated body	23 March 2005	29 January 1990	

Item	Approved voluntary organisation	Approval date	Commencement date of eligible service	Period of eligible service
8	The part of the Shepparton Search and Rescue Squad Incorporated whose functions are performed by Active Members	11 April 2007	28 November 1984	
9	The part of Marine Rescue NSW whose functions are performed by operational personnel	Commencement day	1 July 2009	
10	The part of Tasmanian Mounted Search and Rescue Incorporated whose functions are performed by members	Commencement day	The day on which those functions were first performed by members of Tasmanian Mounted Search and Rescue Incorporated	
