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## Australian Service Medal 1945-1975

The Australian Service Medal 1945-1975 recognises service in prescribed peacekeeping or non-warlike operations.

### About the award

The Australian Service Medal 1945-1975 was introduced in 1995 for service in prescribed peacekeeping or non-warlike operations in the 30-year period following World War II.

Before the introduction of this medal there had been a gap between the Australian Service Medal 1939-1945 (an Imperial Award) and the current Australian Service Medal.

The medal was introduced on the recommendation of the Committee of Inquiry into Defence and Defence-related Awards (CIDA).

The Australian Service Medal 1945-1975 was established on 22 February 1995 by Letters Patent.

### How it is awarded

The Governor-General awards the Australian Service Medal 1945-1975 on the recommendation of the Chief of the Defence Force or their delegate.

The medal is awarded with a clasp denoting the prescribed operation.

The following clasps have been approved by the Governor-General: Japan, Korea, PNG, SW Pacific, Indonesia, Middle East, Berlin, Germany, Kashmir, FESR, SE Asia, Thailand (UBON 1/5/62-24/6/65, Crown 1/5/62-24/6/65), W New Guinea and Special Ops (3/9/45-13/2/75 CDF Specify). Subsequent awards to the same person are made with an additional clasp.

For an application form write to:

Directorate of Honours and Awards  
T-1-49  
Department of Defence  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Or phone the free-call number: 1800 111 321

There is no post-nominal for this medal.



### Medal design

The Australian Service Medal 1945-1975 is a nickel-silver medal ensigned with the Crown of St Edward. The obverse features the Commonwealth Coat of Arms above a spray of golden wattle.

The reverse of the medal shows the Federation Star and golden wattle.

### Medal ribbon

The medal ribbon has a central gold stripe flanked by two green stripes which in turn are flanked by stripes of silver-grey, dark and light blue.

Fast facts

POST NOMINAL:

None

INTRODUCED INTO THE AUSTRALIAN HONOURS SYSTEM:

1995

NOMINATIONS:

Nominations are put forward by the Chief of the Defence Force.

### More information

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