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## Conspicuous Service Cross

The Conspicuous Service Cross recognises outstanding commitment to duty or outstanding application of exceptional skills, judgement or dedication, in non-war-like situations.

It is the first level award of the Conspicuous Service Decorations.

### About the award

The Conspicuous Service Cross and the Conspicuous Service Medal are specifically Australian military awards.

The cross acknowledges exceptional dedication to duty or outstanding achievement in skills or judgement in a non-combative context. It is awarded to members of the Australian Defence Force and certain other people such as members of philanthropic organisations.

The Conspicuous Service Cross was established on 18 October 1989 by Letter Patent.

### How it is awarded

The Governor-General makes the award on the recommendation of the Minister for Defence.

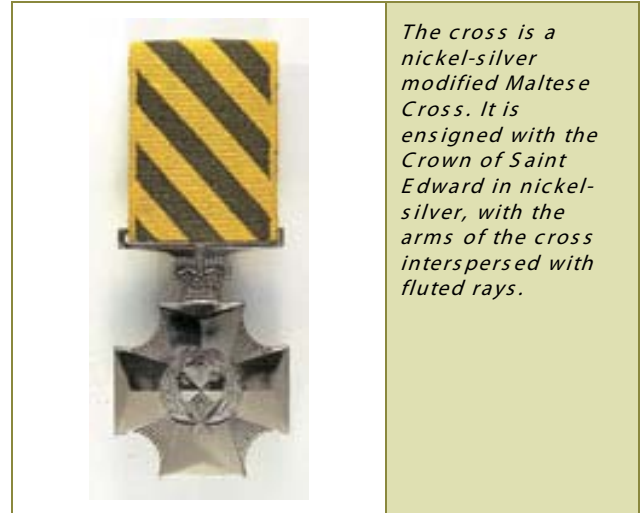
If the same person receives a further Conspicuous Service award it is in the form of a nickel-silver bar with a superimposed replica of the cross. The bar is attached to the ribbon of the original award.

The decoration may be awarded posthumously.

### Medal design

The cross is a nickel-silver modified Maltese Cross. It is ensigned with the Crown of Saint Edward in nickel-silver, with the arms of the cross interspersed with fluted rays.

The front displays the Southern Cross surrounded by a laurel wreath. The back of the cross shows a horizontal panel.



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### Medal ribbon

The cross is suspended from a 32 millimetre-wide ribbon by a nickel-silver suspender bar. The ribbon has alternating equal-width, diagonal stripes of bush green and sandy gold.

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