



New Zealand General Service Medal (Solomon Islands) Regulations 2007

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Pursuant to the Royal Warrant (SR 2002/226) dated 23 July 2002 instituting and creating the New Zealand General Service Medal, the Governor-General of New Zealand, under authority delegated by The Queen, has been pleased to make the following regulations.

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Regulations

1 Title

These regulations are the New Zealand General Service Medal (Solomon Islands) Regulations 2007.

2 Commencement

These regulations come into force on the day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.

- 3 New Zealand General Service Medal (Solomon Islands)**
The New Zealand General Service Medal (Solomon Islands) is awarded subject to the Royal Warrant and to these regulations.
- 4 Ribbon**
The Medal is worn on the left breast suspended from a ribbon, 32 mm in width, composed of green with 3 narrow central stripes of dark blue, yellow, and dark blue.
- 5 Operational area**
In these regulations, **operational area** means—
- (a) the group of islands that make up the Solomon Islands; and
 - (b) the archipelagic waters and the adjacent territorial sea of the Solomon Islands.
- 6 Eligibility**
The following persons are eligible for the Medal:
- (a) members of the Armed Forces (within the meaning of section 2(1) of the Defence Act 1990);
 - (b) members of the New Zealand Police (within the meaning of section 2 of the Police Act 1958);
 - (c) civilians who are New Zealand citizens;
 - (d) civilians who are permanent residents of New Zealand (within the meaning of section 73 of the Electoral Act 1993);
 - (e) any other persons who the Minister of Defence, on the advice of the Chief of Defence Force, may determine.
- 7 Qualifying service**
A person qualifies for the award of the Medal under this regulation if he or she meets the requirements of regulation 6 and—
- (a) has served 30 days or more, continuous or aggregated, on land, in harbour, at sea, or in the air, in the operational area while a member of a New Zealand Government contribution to 1 or more of the following:
 - (i) the Services Assisted Evacuation of New Zealanders and other nationals (Operation Purple

- Haze Phase 1) between 5 June 2000 and 7 July 2000:
- (ii) the Peace Talks in Honiara (Operation Purple Haze Phase 2) between 24 August 2000 and 19 September 2000:
 - (iii) the transfer of delegates to and from Honiara (Operation Zephyr) to attend the Peace Talks in Townsville between 6 October 2000 and 19 October 2000:
 - (iv) the International Peace Monitoring Team (Operation Minerva) or tasks directly contributing to the achievement of mission goals or the maintenance of operational capability between 10 November 2000 and 22 June 2002:
 - (v) the support of the International Peace Monitoring Team (Operation Ricochet 1) provided by HMNZS *Te Mana* between 27 April 2001 and 14 May 2001:
 - (vi) the support of the International Peace Monitoring Team (Operation Ricochet 2) provided by HMNZS *Manawanui* between 14 October 2001 and 20 February 2002:
 - (vii) the New Zealand Police provision of support and assistance to the Solomon Islands Government to re-establish law and order, on or after 6 October 2002:
 - (viii) the provision of support and assistance to the Solomon Islands Government to re-establish law and order, on or after 24 July 2003; or
- (b) has completed 7 sorties or more, on or after 5 June 2000, into the operational area as aircrew, supernumerary aircrew, or supernumerary crew, while a member of a unit allocated for direct support of a New Zealand Government contribution referred to in paragraph (a)(i) to (viii); or
- (c) has served 30 days or more, continuous or aggregated, on or after 24 July 2003, while on official visits in the operational area carrying out activities in connection with a New Zealand Government contribution referred to in paragraphs (a)(vii) or (viii) or (b) (which service

- will normally be of a temporary nature and need not necessarily contribute to operational outcomes); or
- (d) has had his or her period of service in the operational area terminated by death or evacuation owing to wounds or other disability caused by that service; or
 - (e) has been given a New Zealand Royal Honour for gallantry or bravery in the operational area; or
 - (f) if the mission directive stated that the length of deployment was to be greater than the qualifying service in the operational area, has had his or her period of service in the operational area terminated before the completion of the qualifying service at the direction of the New Zealand Government department or agency that deployed him or her, where that termination is for official reasons (not personal, compassionate, or disciplinary); or
 - (g) has served in the operational area with a New Zealand Government contribution to an international or coalition force that the Minister of Defence approves as qualifying service on the advice of the Chief of Defence Force.

8 Aggregation of service

Qualifying service under regulation 7(a) and (c) may be aggregated for 30 days to permit the award of the Medal.

9 Delegation

The Chief of Defence Force, or an officer of the New Zealand Defence Force authorised by the Chief of Defence Force, may award the New Zealand General Service Medal (Solomon Islands) to any eligible person who qualifies for the award of that Medal.

10 Forfeiture and restoration

It shall be competent for the Chief of Defence Force, or a Chief of Staff acting for the Chief of Defence Force, to—

- (a) cancel and annul the conferment of the Medal on a person; and
- (b) if the conferment of the Medal on a person has been cancelled or annulled, restore the Medal to that person.

11 Revocation

The New Zealand General Service Medal (Solomon Islands) Regulations 2004 (SR 2004/313) are revoked.

Dated at Wellington this 30th day of October 2007.

Phil Goff,
Minister of Defence.

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