



## THE NEW ZEALAND TRAFFIC SERVICE MEDAL

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### ROYAL WARRANT

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God Queen of New Zealand and Her Other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith, to all to whom these Presents shall come,

GREETING!

WHEREAS by a Warrant under Our Sign Manual dated the 22nd day of December 1988\*, We were pleased to institute and create a Medal designated "The New Zealand Traffic Service Medal" and did make, ordain, and establish rules and ordinances for the governance of the same, reserving to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors, full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting or dispensing with the rules and ordinances, or any part thereof, by a notification under Our Sign Manual:

AND WHEREAS We are desirous of extending both the eligibility for the Medal and previous service that may be allowed to reckon towards the required period of qualifying service for the award of the Medal or any Clasp thereof:

NOW, THEREFORE, We in pursuance and exercise of the power vested in Us, do annul the said Warrant, and in substitution thereof We, by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, are graciously pleased to make, ordain, and establish, in respect of the Medal instituted and created by the said Warrant, the following rules and ordinances:

**1. Style**—The Medal shall continue to be designated and styled "The New Zealand Traffic Service Medal".

**2. Description**—The Medal shall be of silver and circular in shape, bearing on the obverse the Crowned Effigy of the Sovereign, and on the reverse the inscription “The New Zealand Traffic Service Medal” encircled by two New Zealand fern fronds and surmounted by a Royal Crown.

**3. Ribbon**—The Medal shall be worn from the left breast suspended from a ribbon, 32 millimetres in width, of light blue having in the centre narrow stripes of black, white, and black.

**4. Eligibility**—The Medal may be awarded to any person—

- (a) Who, on or after the 1st day of January 1987 and before the 1st day of July 1992, was engaged in traffic enforcement as a uniformed Traffic Officer or Road Traffic Instructor; and
- (b) Who had completed his or her qualifying service; and
- (c) Whose character and conduct is, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Police, of such good standard as to warrant the award of the Medal.

**5. Qualifying service**—The qualifying service requisite for the award of the Medal shall be 14 years of continuous service.

**6. Reckoning of service**—(1) Subject to subclause (2) of this clause, the following service may be reckoned towards the qualifying service for the award of the Medal or any Clasp thereof:

- (a) Service as a Traffic Officer in the Ministry of Transport within Our Realm of New Zealand;
- (b) Service with any local body or public authority in Our Realm of New Zealand, being traffic service which, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Police, is of a similar standard to that prescribed before the 1st day of July 1992 for Traffic Officers of Our Ministry of Transport;
- (c) A maximum of 7 years' service with the New Zealand Police, being service which took place before any service that is qualifying service under paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) or paragraph (d) of this subclause and which has not been recognised by the award of The New Zealand Police Long Service and Good Conduct Medal or any Clasp thereof;
- (d) Service as a Traffic Cadet or Traffic Officer Trainee undergoing full-time training.

(2) Service that has been interrupted by a continuous period of non-service exceeding 28 days shall not be reckonable.

**7. Clasps**—(1) A Clasp to the Medal, to be attached to the ribbon when the Medal itself is worn, may be awarded on completion of each additional 7 years of continuous service subsequent to those for which the Medal was awarded.

(2) For each Clasp awarded, a silver rosette shall be added to the ribbon when worn alone.

**8. Registration**—(1) The names of all those to whom the Medal is awarded shall be recorded in a register kept by the Commissioner for Police in Our Realm of New Zealand.

(2) The Register formerly held by the Secretary for Transport shall be held by the Commissioner of Police.

**9. Names of recipients**—The name of the recipient shall be engraved or stamped on the rim of the Medal.

**10. Order of wear**—In the official list showing the order in which Orders, Decorations, and Medals shall be worn, The New Zealand Traffic Service Medal shall in Our Realm of New Zealand be placed immediately after Our New Zealand Prison Service Medal.

**11. Miniatures**—(1) Reproductions of the Medal in miniature, which may be worn on certain occasions by those to whom the Medal is awarded, shall be approximately half the size of The New Zealand Traffic Service Medal.

(2) A sealed pattern of the miniature Medal shall be deposited with and kept by the Clerk of Our Executive Council of New Zealand.

**12. Delegated powers**—Delegated powers to make awards under the terms of this Our Warrant shall be vested in Our Minister of Police in New Zealand or in a Minister of the Crown acting for or in the place of Our Minister of Police, save only on a recommendation by the Commissioner of Police.

**13. Other awards**—Those persons who were engaged in traffic enforcement on or after the 1st day of January 1987 and who are in possession of The Long Service and Good Conduct (Traffic Enforcement) Medal and Clasps thereof granted by the Secretary for Transport shall cease to wear that Medal and Clasps thereof on being granted Our New Zealand Traffic Service Medal and Clasps thereof.

**14. Forfeiture and restoration**—It shall be competent for Our Minister of Police, or a Minister of the Crown acting for or in the place of Our Minister of Police, on a recommendation by the Commissioner of Police,—

(a) To cancel and annul the conferment of the Medal or any Clasp thereof on any person; and

(b) Where the conferment of the Medal or any Clasp thereof on any person has been cancelled or annulled, to restore the Medal or Clasp to that person.

**15. Annulment**—We reserve to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors, full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting, or dispensing with this Our Royal Warrant, or any part thereof, by a notification under Our Sign Manual.

GIVEN at Our Court at Saint James's this 30th day of May 1994 in the 43rd Year of Our Reign.

By Her Majesty's Command,

J. B. BOLGER,  
Prime Minister of New Zealand.

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