

# **AMBULANCE SERVICE MEDAL**

## **DETERMINATION**

I, **PHILIP MICHAEL JEFFERY**, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, having received the approval of Her Majesty The Queen to the design of the Ambulance Service Medal, and acting in pursuance of regulations 5 and 6 of the Regulations Governing the Award of the Ambulance Service Medal hereby determine as follows:

### **Design**

1. The Ambulance Service Medal, is a bi-metal construction of silver and bronze colouring in a circular shape, with shaping of the leaf pattern at the suspender bar, and is 47 millimetres deep (including the suspender bar) and 38 millimetres in diameter at the circle shape. The obverse of the medal has a central raised traditional Maltese Cross bounded on either side by stylised sprays of wattle representing the Australian nature of the award. The arms of the cross have a raised border, brightly polished, while the inner arms are in a pebble-texture finish. The centre of the Maltese Cross has a bronze coloured insert, circular in shape with a raised impression of the Federation Star that is surrounded by twenty-four balls representing the twenty-four hours per day the Ambulance Service is available to the community. The circular portion of the medal obverse has a raised, polished rim. The reverse face of the medal has a semi-circular, raised and polished panel featuring the incised words 'FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE'. The rounded ends of the panel are in line with the bottom edge of the centre insert, which incorporates a bronze coloured insert, circular in shape, with a raised impression of the Federation Star. The area below the insert is available for engraving the recipient's name. The background of the reverse of the medal is of a frosted finish. The silver suspender bar is of fixed configuration, with the raised and polished words 'AMBULANCE SERVICE' running the width of the ribbon on the obverse.

### **Miniature**

2. The miniature of the Ambulance Service Medal is a half size replica of the medal, suspended from a miniature ribbon 16 millimetres wide.

### **Ribbon**

3. The Ambulance Service Medal is suspended from a ribbon 32 millimetres wide by means of a narrow silver suspender bar. The ribbon is in a chevron pattern, the angles of which are derived from the open end of the arm of the cross. The chevrons are in alternate red, white, red and silver-grey.

### **Ribbon Bar**

4. The ribbon bar consists of a strip of full size ribbon, 32 millimetres wide and 10 millimetres deep, with no emblem.

### **Lapel Badge**

5. The lapel badge of the Ambulance Service Medal is a replica of the medal 10 millimetres in diameter.

## **Wearing**

6. The Ambulance Service Medal is worn on the left breast on all occasions when full size orders, decorations and medals are worn. The miniature medal is worn on all occasions when miniatures of orders, decorations and medals are worn. The ribbon bar may be worn on all occasions when service dress is worn. The lapel badge may be worn at any time with civilian dress.

## **Order of Wear**

7. The Ambulance Service Medal is worn in accordance with The Order of Wearing Australian Honours and Awards as approved from time to time by The Sovereign.

Dated this First day of September 2008

Original Signed by General Jeffery

**GOVERNOR-GENERAL**