

AUSTRALIAN ANTARCTIC MEDAL

DETERMINATION

I, **PHILIP MICHAEL JEFFERY**, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting in pursuance of regulations 3 and 6 of the Regulations Governing the Award of the Australian Antarctic Medal Regulations, revoke the Antarctic Medal Determination made on the twenty seventh day of July 1992 and determine as follows:

Design

1. The Australian Antarctic Medal is a nickel-silver octagonal medal 38 millimetres in diameter ensigned with a hexagonal ice-crystal device in nickel-silver. The obverse bears a depiction of the Southern Hemisphere showing Australia and the Antarctic enclosed by the inscription "FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE IN THE ANTARCTIC". The reverse has an Antarctic expeditioner outside Mawson's hut leaning into a blizzard as he uses an axe.

Miniature

2. The miniature of the Australian Antarctic Medal is a half size replica of the Medal, suspended from a miniature ribbon 16 millimetres wide.

Ribbon

3. The ribbon of the Australian Antarctic Medal is 32 millimetres wide, of snow-white moire with 3 millimetre edges of three shades of blue merging into the white.

Ribbon Bar

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

Date Bar

5. A nickel-silver clasp, 30 millimetres wide and 6 millimetres high, in the form of a date bar inscribed with the year the service was rendered shall be attached to the ribbon of the main piece. A half size replica of the date bar is worn on the ribbon of the miniature medal.

Further Awards

6. Second and subsequent awards of the Australian Antarctic Medal are recognised by the presentation of a further nickel-silver date bar, 30 millimetres wide and 6 millimetres high, inscribed with the year the service was rendered. The bar is worn attached to the ribbon of the original medal above the previous year. A half size replica of the date bar is worn on the ribbon of the miniature medal. A replica of the ice-crystal device used as a link between the Australian Antarctic Medal and its suspension bar, 9 millimetres in diameter, is worn on the ribbon bar.

Lapel Badge

7. The lapel badge of the Australian Antarctic Medal is a replica of the ice-crystal device used as a link between the Australian Antarctic Medal and its suspension bar, 10 millimetres in diameter.

Wearing

8. The Australian Antarctic 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 at any time when service dress is worn. The lapel badge may be worn at any time with civilian dress.

Order of Wear

9. The Australian Antarctic 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