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It is notified for general information that the Governor-General has approved Shepparton Search and Rescue Squad Inc as an approved voluntary organisation under the regulations governing the award of the National Medal, as detailed in the following Determination:



## National Medal (Approved Voluntary Organisations) Determination 2008

### *National Medal Regulations 1999*

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I, PHILIP MICHAEL JEFFERY, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting on the recommendation of the Cabinet Secretary, make this Determination under subregulation 10 (1) of the *National Medal Regulations 1999*.

Dated *14 March* 2008

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Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command

Handwritten signature of John Faulkner in black ink.

JOHN FAULKNER  
Cabinet Secretary

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**1 Name of Determination**

This Determination is the *National Medal (Approved Voluntary Organisations) Determination 2008*.

**2 Commencement**

This Determination commences on gazettal.

**3 Revocation**

The *National Medal (Approved Voluntary Organisations) Determination 2007* is revoked.

**4 Definitions**

(1) In this Determination:

*National Medal Regulations 1999* and *Regulations* mean the Regulations set out in the Schedule to the Letters Patent dated 18 June 1999 given under the Great Seal of Australia, being the Regulations amended by Letters Patent dated 4 April 2000 and as amended from time to time.

(2) Unless the contrary intention appears, a word that is used in this Determination and defined in the Regulations has the same meaning in this Determination as it has in the Regulations.

(3) Where this Determination uses a term in reference to a particular kind of member of an approved voluntary organisation (such as an Active Member), that term refers to a member of that organisation who is known in that organisation by that term.

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- (4) For item 4 of Schedule 1:

**Patrol Member** means an Active Member of Surf Life Saving Australia Limited (including a Life Member, Reserve Active Member, Long Service Member or Past Active Member) who:

- (a) has met the requirements of the annual proficiency test for the Surf Life Saving Australia Limited Bronze Medallion for each year of eligible service; and
- (b) has completed at least 30 patrol hours in each year of eligible service.

## 5 Determination of approved voluntary organisations

A voluntary organisation mentioned in an item in Schedule 1 is an approved voluntary organisation for subregulation 10 (1) of the Regulations.

## 6 Approval date of approved voluntary organisations

The approval date of an approved voluntary organisation is the approval date mentioned in Schedule 1 in relation to that organisation.

## 7 Determination of length of eligible service

- (1) For subregulation 20 (4) of the Regulations, Schedule 1 sets out for an approved organisation:
  - (a) the date of the first day of service in the organisation that can be counted as eligible service; or
  - (b) the period within which service can be counted as eligible service.
- (2) For paragraph 19 (1) (a) of the Regulations and item 4 of Schedule 1, service by a member of Surf Life Saving Australia Limited in the capacity of any of the following is not service by a member to fulfil the primary function of Surf Life Saving Australia Limited:
  - (a) General Member;
  - (b) Associate Member;
  - (c) Probationary Member;
  - (d) Award Member;
  - (e) Cadet Member;
  - (f) Junior Activity Member;
  - (g) Honorary Member.
- (3) For paragraph 19 (1) (a) of the Regulations and item 4A of Schedule 1, service by a member of the New South Wales Volunteer Rescue Association Incorporated in the capacity of any of the following is not service by a member to fulfil the primary function of the New South Wales Volunteer Rescue Association Incorporated:
  - (a) organisational or auxiliary member;

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- (b) radio operator;
- (c) first aid officer for community events.

*Note* Organisational and auxiliary members include people engaged in supervisory, management, organisational or training roles.

## Schedule 1 Approved voluntary organisations

(sections 5, 6 and 7)

Item	Approved voluntary organisation	Approval date	Commencement date of eligible service	Period of eligible service
1	The part of the Australian Volunteer Coastguard Association Incorporated whose functions are performed by the Regular Operational Members and the Provisional Operational Members	28 April 2000	7 August 1970	
2	The part of the Royal Volunteer Coastal Patrol whose functions are performed by Competent Crew	3 July 2000	13 June 1963	
3	The part of the South Australian Sea Rescue Squadron Incorporated whose functions are performed by Members with Operational Status	14 August 2000	18 May 1962	
4	The part of Surf Life Saving Australia Limited whose functions are performed by employees or members as rescue helicopter pilots, rescue helicopter aircrew, jet/offshore rescue boat skippers, jet/offshore rescue boat drivers, jet/offshore rescue boat crew, operational members of emergency response groups or Patrol Members	16 October 2000	18 September 1986	

*Note 1* For the meaning of **Patrol Member** — see subsection 4 (4).

*Note 2* Service by certain members of Surf Life Saving Australia Limited is not counted as eligible service — see subsection 7 (2).

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Item	Approved voluntary organisation	Approval date	Commencement date of eligible service	Period of eligible service
4A	The part of affiliated units of the New South Wales Volunteer Rescue Association Inc whose search or rescue operations within New South Wales or Norfolk Island are performed by search/rescue pilots, search/rescue aircrew, inshore/offshore search/rescue boat skippers/drivers, inshore/offshore search/rescue crew, inland search/rescue boat skippers and boat crew, land rescue operators, land-based operational search members or operational members of accredited specialist units performing search/rescue functions  <i>Note</i> Service by certain members of the New South Wales Volunteer Rescue Association Inc is not counted as eligible service — see subsection 7 (3).	19 February 2001	4 July 1988	
5	The part of V M R Mornington Volunteer Marine Rescue Inc (until 15 February 2001 known as Mornington Bay Rescue Service Inc) whose functions are performed by Operational Members	18 April 2001	5 February 1990	
6	The part of the Central Queensland Helicopter Rescue Service Ltd whose functions are performed by employees or members as helicopter pilots or rescue helicopter aircrew	19 May 2004	11 September 1996	
7	The part of the Volunteer Marine Rescue Association Queensland Inc (until 19 March 1996 known as Air Sea Rescue Associations of Queensland Inc) whose functions are performed by Operational Members	23 March 2005	29 January 1990	
8	The part of the Shepparton Search and Rescue Squad Incorporated whose functions are performed by Active Members	11 April 2007	28 November 1984	