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21st Century British Medals to Canadians Operational Service Medals Elizabeth Cross

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OPERATIONAL SERVICE MEDALS 2000

TERMS



Replacing the General Service Medal (except for the award of the GSM with Clasp for Northern Ireland) on 01 January 2000, the OSM will be issued for a series of campaigns and unlike the GSM will have a distinctive ribbon for each campaign.

BARS

A bar may be issued (not for Sierra Leone) which signifies the medal was awarded in a more dangerous area or period of the

conflict.

DESCRIPTION

A circular, silver medal, 32-mm in diameter.

OVERSE

The high crowned effigy of Queen Elizabeth with the legend starting at the top: ELIZABETH II DE GRA TIA REGINA FID.DEF.

REVERSE

The Union Flag, surrounded by the inscription FOR OPERATIONAL SERVICE and the four major points of the compass, with four Coronets: Royal (top left), Naval (top right), Astral 9 Royal Air Force (bottom right) and Mural-Army (Bottom left).

RIBBON

To date, all the ribbons have had a red centre (army) which is flanked on each side by stripes of royal blue (navy), light blue (air force) and the outer edge in a specific colour depicting the landscape of the particular country of operation.

DATES

Effective 01 January 2000.

OPERATIONAL SERVICE MEDAL SIERRA LEONE

TERMS

Awarded for service on any of 5 operations in Sierra Leone or the Joint Operational Area which included Senegal, Gibraltar and offshore support ships such as the RFA Argus. Awarded for either 14, 21, 30 or 45 days continuous or accumulated service required between certain specified dates on either Op Palliser, Op Basilica or Op Silkman. Also awarded to those deployed on Op Maidenly or Op Barras on specified dates ranging from 1999 to 2002.

BAR

There was no clasp issued but a large 'South Atlantic' (Falkland War) type rosette is worn on the medal itself for operational service within Sierra Leone. A smaller rosette is worn on the ribbon in undress.



RIBBON

The *red* ribbon (army) is flanked by three stripes of *royal blue* (navy), *light blue* (air force) and *green* (landscape of Sierra Leone).



ISSUED

44 Canadian Forces members were awarded this medal as per Canada Gazette of 11 October 2003. They were part of the British led *Operation PALLISER* from 7 May 2000 and 15 June 2000 to take control of the airport at Lungi, patrol Freetown and ensure the flow of supplies to the UNAMSIL forces. Colonel Tom Tarrant was the senior officer of the Canadian Forces contingent.

The British-led International Military Advisory Training Team (IMATT) had Canadian Forces Members operated from November 2000 to 15 February 2013 with 10 at a time normally serving with the team. The British Forces withdrew on 31 March 2013.

DATES

For service between 1999 and 2002.

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¹ Colonel Thomas Tarrant commanded the Canadian group and is shown below wearing his medal ribbon after his Canadian Forces decoration ribbon. General Sir Richard David Richards, Chief of the British Defence Staff, served in Sierra Leone and is shown wearing his ribbon (2nd row 3rd ribbon). Lieutenant-General Sir James Bucknall wearing an MID on his OSM for Sierra Leone

OPERATIONAL SERVICE MEDAL for AFGHANISTAN

Updated 03 December 2021

TERMS

The medal is awarded with and without a bar. To qualify for the medal without the bar has various lengths of service on Operation Landman, Operation Oracle, Operation Ramson and Operation Damien. The medal is also awarded for service in other Middle Eastern countries during specific dates; Pakistan, Qatar and Oman qualifying.

To qualify for the medal and bar also has various lengths of time (5, 21 or 30 days) on Operation Veritas, Operation Fingal and Operation Landman.

BAR

"Afghanistan" - a rosette is worn on the ribbon in undress.

Medal with clasp

Zone 1. 21 days continuous service between 11/9/2001 and 28/2/2002 or 30 continuous days service for service commencing after 01/03/2002

or

Operations Bleed, Determ, Scow, Damien or Larva.

5 days continuous service in Zone 1 between 11/9/2001 and 28/2/2002 or one air sortie (take off and land) in Afghanistan between 11/9/2001 and 28/2/2002 for CH-47 Chinook or C130 Hercules Aircrew only or 21 days continuous service commencing on or after 1/3/2002.

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² Zone 1 is the geographical boundary of Afghanistan.

The medal without a bar was issued for:

Zone 2. ³ 21 days continuous service in Zone 2 between 11/9/2001 and 28/2/2002 or 30 days continuous services for service commencing on or after 1/3/2002.

or

Operations Bleed, Determ, Scow, Damien or Larva. 14 days continuous service in zone 2 between 11/9/2001 and 28/2/2002 or 21 days continuous service for service commencing on or after 1/3/2002.

The initial bar was issued from 2002 to 2004 and had a smooth background behind the writing. From 2005 onward, the bar has a dappled effect behind the writing (similar to the Northern Ireland bar to the GSM).

RIBBON

The red ribbon (army) is flanked on each side by stripes of royal blue (navy); light blue (air force); and the outer edge in light brown (representing the Afghan landscape). ⁴

ISSUED

31 Canadian Forces Members

– 16 with Bar Afghanistan

– 15 with no bar

31 Canadian Forces Members have been gazetted between 2005 and July 2015 as being awarded this medal. The most recent award was to Captain Graham Alexander Morgan.

This is the medal Prince Harry was awarded.



³ Zone 2 (no Clasp) is defined as: the specific area of:

- (a) Islamabad and Karachi, Pakistan.
- (b) Seeb and Thurmrait, Oman
- (c) Termez, Uzbekistan
- (d) Al Udeid, United Arab Emirates
- (e) Muharraq and Manama, Bahrain
- (f) Prince Sultan's Air Base, Saudi Arabia
- (g) Camp Doha, Kuwait
- (h) Mobassa, Kenya
- (i) British Indian Ocean Territories, Diego Garcia
- (j) Dubai

⁴ The Operational Service Medal with bar and ribbon Afghanistan is the first medal that Prince Harry Wears on his chest. He has done two tours in Afghanistan.

DATES

Effective 2002 and is current.

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⁵ Medals of General Sir John McColl KCB, CBE, DSO, showing his OSM Afghanistan with the bar Afghanistan and his OSM Iraq medal without a bar. Able Seaman Kate Nesbitt, a medical assistant attached to 3 Commando Brigade in Afghanistan, working with 'C' Company, 1st Battalion, The Rifles, was awarded the Military Cross in Afghanistan, only the 2nd female to receive a Military Cross. Her Operational Service Medal Afghanistan has the bar.

OPERATIONAL SERVICE MEDAL for AFGHANISTAN

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CG DATE	NAME	RANK	DECORATIONS
With Bar			
25/09/10	BATTISTA, Adam	Captain	-- USA MSM
28/12/13	DUVAL, Joseph Ianic Nicolas	Major	CD
30/04/11	FOUNTAIN, Jeremy Keith Alexander	Major	--
26/03/11	FUGULIN, Jean-Marc	Captain	--
28/12/13	HOGAN, Christopher	Captain	--
28/02/15	HOLMES-MITRA, Timothy S.	Captain	--
28/12/13	LECLERC, D. Jimmy	Captain	CD
25/10/14	LUCAS, Alison	Captain	CD
29/08/15	McCALLUM, Jonathon Dennis	Sergeant	CD
25/06/11	MIALKOWSKY, Bryan Neal	Captain	CD MBE
25/06/15	MORGAN, Graham Alexander	Captain	--
26/01/08	RIFF, Steven William	Major	CD
26/03/11	ROCHAT, Marcel	Captain	--
17/12/05	SAUVÉ, Joseph Robert Ghislain	Major	CD MBE 2 Operational Medals
23/07/05	VIDA, Shandor Taylor	Major	CD
28/06/14	WEBB, Andrew J.	Major	CD

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Major Bryan Neal Mialkowski receiving the MBE from the Duke of Cornwall, HRH Prince Charles

OPERATIONAL SERVICE MEDAL for AFGHANISTAN

Awards to Canadians (to CG 29 August 2015) 32

CG DATE	NAME	RANK	DECORATIONS
No BAR			
28/04/12	DUARTE, Mario Santos	Private	CD
31/12/11	DUCHESNEAU, Martin	Captain	CD
25/09/10	EDWARDS, Corey Stephen Thomas	M/Cpl	CD
30/08/08	GAUTRON, Paul	Major	CD
25/09/10	GAUVIN, Gilles-André <u>Jean-François</u>	Captain	CD
12/03/11	HAISELL, Lawrence Donald William	LCol	CD
28/05/11	HEWITT, Andrew James	Major	CD
30/07/11	JANJUA, Jameel Jawald	Captain	CD
29/01/11	LLOYD, Scott Donald	Captain	CD
25/04/09	LOADER, Douglas Keith	MWO	CD
26/03/11	SMITH, Clarence Hamilton	M/Cpl	CD
28/06/08	TURGEON, Marc	Captain	--
24/04/08c	WADLEIGH, Edward John	Corporal	--
28/06/08	WALKER, Matthew	Captain	--
25/04/09	WERT, Travis Darryl	Captain	CD



C = Chancellery Letter

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Prince Harry wearing his Operational Service Medal with bar Afghanistan in 3 different British Army Uniforms (full title Prince Henry of Wales, Henry Charles Albert David)

OPERATIONAL SERVICE MEDAL for the DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC of the CONGO

TERMS

Always awarded with a bar to British military personnel serving with the United Nations Mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo (MONUC) and the associated European Union Force deployment since about 2000. The medal was awarded for 25 days continuous service in the Ituri Province between June 14th and September 10th 2003

BAR

"DROC" clasp awarded with every medal and a silver rosette is worn on the ribbon in undress.

RIBBON

The red ribbon (army) is flanked on each side by stripes of royal blue (navy), light blue (air force) and the outer edge in ochre (yellow - representing the Congolese landscape).

DATES

Awarded from 14 June 2003 to September 2003.

ISSUED

No known Canadians were issued this medal.



OPERATIONAL SERVICE MEDAL for the IRAQ and SYRIA
Operation Shader Medal

Updated 03 December 2021

To CG 30 September 2021

TERMS



The medal is awarded either for 30 days continuous, or 45 days cumulative, service in theatre. Aircrew must either fly ten sorties over Iraq or six over Syria.

NOTE: In the past, operational service medals were awarded to individuals who served in a specific campaign where they were exposed to physical danger. The Queen approved

eligibility criteria for the medal to include those personnel who have made a significant contribution to efforts in Iraq and Syria, including civilians, even if those efforts were outside the operational area. Those personnel awarded the medal who served outside the operational area will receive the medal without the clasp

BAR

Iraq & Syria clasp awarded to those who served in the operational area. A silver rosette denotes the clasp when worn on the ribbon in undress.

RIBBON

A broad central red stripe, flanked each side by a stripe of navy blue and one of light blue, to represent the three services, with an outer stripe of grey.

DATES

Awarded from 18 July 2018 and ongoing.

ISSUED

5 (Captain Lex Luciak – announced in the CG of 01 August 2020)

IRAQ MEDAL

Operation Talic

Updated 03 December 2021
Canada Gazette 30 January 2016

TERMS

The Iraq Medal is for service in, and in support of, operations in Iraq from 20 January 2003, and can be awarded to UK Armed Forces and civilian personnel, including embedded media, and certain foreign nationals assigned to the operation. Service personnel and MOD civilians who died during their service in Kuwait or Iraq automatically qualify for posthumous award of the medal. The area of operations has been divided into Zone One (Iraq and Kuwait) and Zone Two (elsewhere in the Gulf region in support of the operation) for determining eligibility.



The qualifying periods of service are:

Campaign Medal with Bar 19 MAR - 28 APR 2003:

Zone One (Iraq and Kuwait)

- 7 days continuous service during period 19 March 2003 to 28 April 2003
- Aircrew based outside but flying two or more sorties into Zone One during period 19 March 2003 to 28 April 2003

Campaign Medal without Bar:

Personnel in Zone One (Iraq) not completing 7 days service during period 19 March 2003 to 28 April 2003, but with 30 days continuous service between 20 January 2003 and 24 March 2003, or 30 days continuous service from 23 April 2003 to 22 May 2011.

Personnel in Zone One (Kuwait) not completing 7 days service during period 19 March 2003 to 28 April 2003, but with 30 days continuous service between 20 January 2003 and 24 March 2003, or 30 days continuous service from 23 April 2003 to 10 August 2003.

- Personnel with 30 days continuous service in Zone Two between 20 January 2003 and 28 April 2003.
- Aircrew based outside both Zones One and Two but with 30 sorties flown into the Zones at a rate of not more than one per day, during

the period 20 January 2003 to 28 April 2003.

- Aircrew based outside of Iraq but flying 10 sorties into Iraq from 28 April 2003 to 22 May 2011, at a rate of not more than one per day.

BAR

19 MAR - 28 APR 2003 for personnel who served on the operation between 19 March and 28 April as noted above.

DESCRIPTION

A silver, circular medal, 36-mm in diameter made of cupro-nickel.

OBVERSE

The high-crowned image of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth.

REVERSE

An ancient Assyrian Lamussu sculpture above the word Iraq.

RIBBON

The 32-mm wide ribbon is a sand colour with three central stripes of black, white and red.

DATES

For service in Iraq from 20 January 2003 to 22 May 2011
The bar was issued between 19 March and 28 April 2003.

ISSUED

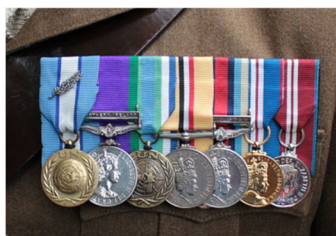
36 in total to Canadian Forces Members

- Iraq Medal with Clasp 19 Mar-29 Apr 2003	8
- Iraq Medal No Clasp	28

108,000 British soldiers, sailors and airmen have received the medal.

NOTE

Subsequent tours to Iraq are not recognized by award of bars or numerals.



British Group



Colonel Ian Huddleston, CD, 14 Wing Commander - last ribbon

Ebola Medal for Service in West Africa

Terms

The **Ebola Medal for Service in West Africa** is a campaign medal for issue to the British Armed Forces, and to civilians working either for Her Majesty's Government or NGOs in support of the British Government's response to the Ebola crisis that began in 2014. The medal is the first campaign medal awarded by the UK Government for a humanitarian crisis response.

The medal is awarded either for **21 days of continuous service within the operating area, or 30 days accumulated service** on working visits of 48 hours or more to the operating area. In the event of qualifying service ending prematurely due to death, serious illness, evacuation or disability due to service, where the individual had otherwise been expected to complete their service, the reduced service length will be deemed as qualification for the award.



The following groups are eligible for award:

- Military personnel under the command of Commander, Joint Operations, and other members of UK Armed Forces providing direct support to HM Government's response.
- Any volunteer or employee directly deployed by the Department for International Development, UK-Med, Public Health England, the NHS or the Stabilization Unit in support of HM Government's response.
- Any member of Her Majesty's Civil Service;
- Any UK national employed by an NGO funded by the DFID supporting HM Government's response.
- Any UK national responding to the Ebola crisis in support of HM Government's response whose service can be verified by HMG.

Note: Locally engaged civilians and dual nationals resident in Sierra Leone are excluded.

There are no post-nominal letters for this medal.

Operational Area

The geographical territories of Sierra Leone, Liberia, Guinea, and their territorial waters.

Bar

There is no bar to this medal.

Description

The medal is a circular, 36-mm in diameter (3.5-mm thick) and made of nickel-silver.

Obverse

The obverse has the legend: ELIZABETH II DEI GRATIA REGINA FID.DEF.

with the Ian Rank-Broadley effigy of effigy of Elizabeth II wearing the Girls of Great Britain and Ireland tiara.

Reverse



The reverse features a flame on a background depicting the Ebola virus. Above this are the words "For Service" and below "Ebola Epidemic West Africa". It was designed by John Bergdahl.

Mounting

A straight bar swivel.

Naming

The name of the recipient (Name and title if civilian; name, rank and serial number if military) is engraved on the rim of the medal.

Ribbon



The ribbon consists of a central yellow stripe, flanked by blue and white stripes, and symmetrical red stripes flanked by green stripes either side. These represent the colours from the national flags of the countries in West Africa affected by Ebola.

Dates

The qualifying period for award of the medal is from 23 March 2014 onwards.

Awarded

79 to members of the Canadian Forces
3,000 plus to British citizens.

First Canadian Recipients Gazetted

Captain Raymond Francis Hartery, CD
(Canada Gazette of 26 September 2015).

Major Ian Craig Schoonbaert, CD
(Canada Gazette of 31 October 2015)

76 in the Canada Gazette of 30 January 2016

**Canadian Recipient of the Ebola Medal
Lieutenant-Colonel Gary O'NEIL, MSC, CD, MBE**

He was the Commander of the Canadian Contingent and received the Meritorious Service Cross from the Canadian Government and was made a Member of the Order of the British Empire by the British Government



Ebola Medal for Service in West Africa (Canadian Forces Recipients)

CG DATE	NAME	RANK	DECORATIONS	/
30/01/16	ATKINS, Ashley Sarah	Lieutenant (N)	--	
30/01/16	BALUN, David Matthew	Corporal	--	
30/01/16	BARRETT, Michael Allen	Corporal	--	
30/01/16	BEDARD, Michael J.	Corporal	--	
30/01/16	BLACK, Ashley Laurel	Master-Corporal	CD	
30/01/16	BLACK, Nanette Jean	Sergeant	CD	
30/01/16	BOLDUC, Anne	Lieutenant (N)	--	
30/01/16	BREMNER, Angela J.	Captain	CD	
30/01/16	CAMPBELL, Janice Madeline	Lieutenant	--	
30/01/16	CARBONNEAU, Olivia Ann	Lieutenant	--	
30/01/16	CARPENTER, Adrian Conway	Captain	CD	
30/01/16	CHARBONNEAU, Guillaume	Captain	CD	
30/01/16	CHARLEBOIS, Paul Bryan	Lieutenant-Colonel	CD MD	
30/01/16	CRABTREE, Sara L.	Lieutenant	--	
30/01/16	CRAIG, James Edward	Sergeant	CD	
30/01/16	CRAWFORD, Amanda Marie	Master Corporal	CD	
30/01/16	CROSS, Jillian E.	Captain	CD	
30/01/16	DAUM, Cristopher Stephen	Sergeant	CD	
30/01/16	DOWLING, Nova T.	Sub-Lieutenant	--	
30/01/16	DREW, Samantha A.	Captain	CD	
30/01/16	ERICKSON, Susanne M.	Sub-Lieutenant	--	
30/01/16	ESPINA, Melanie Renee	Lieutenant-Commander	CD	
30/01/16	FEWER, Philip Michael	Master Warrant Officer	CD	
30/01/16	FORESTIER, Collen Ann	Lieutenant-Colonel	CD	
30/01/16	GALLANT, John Darren	Master Warrant Officer	CD	
30/01/16	GODWIN, Amy K.	Captain	CD	
30/01/16	GRIMARD, Kim Patricia	Captain	CD	
30/01/16	HANDFORD, Donald William Mark	Corporal	--	
30/01/16	HANNA, Jocelyn L.	Corporal	--	
30/01/16	HARRISON, Ashley Rebekah Beatrice	Corporal	--	
26/09/15	HARTERY, Raymond Francis	Captain	--	
30/01/16	JACOBS, Vanessa J.	Master Corporal	CD	
30/01/16	KAO, Liang-Chivu Raymond	Captain (N)	OMM CD	
30/01/16	KRISTY, Ryan J.	Corporal	--	
30/01/16	KUIPERS, Jessica M.	Lieutenant	--	
30/01/16	LAWTON, Jennifer Rosa	Major	CD	
30/01/16	LITSCHER, Christina Lee Marie	Sergeant	CD	
30/01/16	MacDONALD, Jillian M.	Corporal	--	
30/01/16	MacKAY, Carly J.	Sub-Lieutenant	--	
30/01/16	MacLEAN, Harold D.S.	Lieutenant-Commander	CD	
30/01/16	MacLEOD, Trisha L.	Major	CD	

Ebola Medal for Service in West Africa (Canadian Forces Recipients)

CG DATE	NAME	RANK	DECORATIONS	/
30/01/16	McCALLUM, Bradley J.	Captain	CD	
30/01/16	McGINN, John J.	Master Corporal	CD	
30/01/16	McINTYRE, Blair J.	Corporal	--	
30/01/16	MAHÉ, R.N. Jean-François	Master-Corporal	CD	
30/01/16	MARION, Dennis Alain	Major	CD	
30/01/16	MAYNARD, Shelly L.	Lieutenant (N)	CD	
30/01/16	MILLS, Michelle T.	Lieutenant	--	
30/01/16	MILNE, Peter Alexander	Corporal	--	
30/01/16	MONARDO, Michael S. L.	Corporal	--	
30/01/16	MONTPELLIER, Carly Lynn	Captain	--	
30/01/16	NEVILLS, Tamara D. A.	Lieutenant	--	
30/01/16	NICKERSON, Leigh H.	Lieutenant-Commander	CD	
30/01/16	O'NEIL, Gary P.	Lieutenant-Colonel	OMM CD MBE	
30/01/16	OSTERBECK, Janet Laura	Master-Corporal	CD	
30/01/16	OULETTE, Lisa	Master-Corporal	--	
30/01/16	PELLAN, J. F. Jean-Sébastien	Master-Corporal	CD	
30/01/16	PEPPIN, Timothy J.	Lieutenant (N)	CD	
30/01/16	PHILPOT, Allan Michael	Leading Seaman	--	
30/01/16	PRAUGHT, Jeffery	Lieutenant (N)	CD	
30/01/16	QUINTIN, Zundel Estodo	Captain	CD	
30/01/16	RIVERA, Harold	Captain	CD	
30/01/16	ROCHETTE, Cindy M.	Lieutenant (N)	CD	
30/01/16	ROPER, Charles Paul John Earle	Corporal	--	
30/01/16	SANTOS, Jonathan A.	Corporal	--	
31/10/15	SCHOONBAERT, Ian Craig	Major	CD	
30/01/16	SCOTT, Jeffrey J. Scott	Sergeant	CD	
30/01/16	SEABY, Andrea K.	Major	CD	
30/01/16	SHEA, Aidan	Corporal	--	
30/01/16	SOUTHWELL, Jennifer A.	Corporal	--	
30/01/16	SPIVERY, Nicole M.	Master Seaman	CD	
30/01/16	TAIT, John R.	Corporal	--	
30/01/16	TREMBLAY, Sigrid S.	Corporal	--	
30/01/16	TURNBULL, Chad L.	Captain	CD	
30/01/16	VANNESTE, Patrick R.	Corporal	--	
30/01/16	VICKERS, Jaime A.	Sub-Lieutenant	--	
30/01/16	WALKER, Scot A.	Corporal	--	
30/01/16	WOODWORTH, John Roy	Warrant Officer	CD	
30/01/16	WYNN, Terry Andrew	Captain	CD	

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ELIZABETH CROSS

TERMS

Her Majesty, The Queen has given her name to a new form of recognition for the families of British Service personnel killed while serving their country. Similar to the Canadian Memorial Cross, the Elizabeth Cross will be granted to the next of kin of Armed Forces personnel killed on operations or as a result of terrorism in a mark of national recognition for their loss. The medal is accompanied by a memorial scroll and a miniature cross.



It is not as inclusive as the current Canadian Memorial Cross.

DESCRIPTION

The Cross is a 75% scale model of the Military Cross, 32-mm by 32-mm with a matte finish. The cross patonce is superimposed on a wreath of laurel. The Royal Cypher surmounted by the crown above it is at the centre in raised letters. The arms of the Elizabeth Cross bear floral symbols representing England (Rose - top arm), Scotland (Thistle - left arm), Ireland (Shamrock - bottom arm) and Wales (Daffodil - right arm).

OBVERSE

The Royal Cypher, GRI, GVIR or EIIR surmounted by a crown appears in the centre of the cross.

REVERSE

The reverse is plain with the engraved name of the person commemorated. There is a pin on the back for wearing the medal.

MOUNTING

It is attached to a garment by a pin at the back.

NAMING

The number (form enlisted men), rank and initials and surname of the person commemorated are engraved on the back of the medal.

RIBBON

There is no ribbon.

DATE

The Queen's recognition is available to the families of those who died in conflicts dating back to 1948, including the Korean War, the Falklands conflict and operations in Northern Ireland.
First awarded on 01 August 2009.