



ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God Queen of Australia and Her other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth:

TO ALL to whom these Presents shall come,

GREETING:

WHEREAS, by Letters Patent dated 23 December 1999, We instituted an Australian medal, designated and styled the Australian Sports Medal, for the purpose of commemorating Australian sporting achievement in the year 2000;

AND WHEREAS the Letters Patent ordained that the award of the Medal be governed by the Australian Sports Medal Regulations set out in the Schedule to the Letters Patent;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that the Australian Sports Medal instituted by the Letters Patent be extended to commemorate Australian sporting participation in certain multi-sport events;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to make new regulations to govern the award of the Medal;

KNOW YOU that We do, by these Presents, declare Our Pleasure that:

- (a) the Australian Sports Medal is to commemorate Australian sporting participation in certain multi-sport events; and
- (b) the Regulations set out in the Schedule to the Letters Patent dated 23 December 1999 are revoked without prejudice to anything lawfully done thereunder; and
- (c) the award of the Australian Sports Medal is governed by the Australian Sports Medal Regulations 2020 set out in the Schedule.

IN WITNESS whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent.

GIVEN under the Great Seal  
of Australia at Our Court at  
St James' s on 4 December 2020

By Her Majesty's command

*Prime Minister*

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## Schedule

# Australian Sports Medal Regulations 2020

## Part 1-Preliminary

### 1 Name

These are the *Australian Sports Medal Regulations 2020*.

### 2 Definitions

In these Regulations:

**Australian citizen** has the same meaning as in the *Acts Interpretation Act 1901*.

**declared multi-sport event** means an international sporting event declared under paragraph 4(a).

**declared nominating person** means an officer or employee declared under paragraph 4(b).

**Medal** means the Australian Sports Medal.

**Minister** means:

- (a) the Minister responsible for the administration of the Australian system of honours and awards; or
- (b) a Minister or member of the Federal Executive Council authorised by the Minister to act on behalf of that Minister.

**multi-sport event** means:

- (a) one of the following international sporting events held, or to be held, in the year mentioned or any future years:
  - (i) the Invictus Games 2018;
  - (ii) the International Sports Federation for Persons with Intellectual Disability (INAS) Global Games 2019;
  - (iii) the Special Olympics World Summer Games 2019;
  - (iv) the Special Olympics World Winter Games 2021;
  - (v) the Olympic Games (Summer) 2020;
  - (vi) the Olympic Games (Winter) 2022;
  - (vii) the Paralympic Games (Summer) 2020;
  - (viii) the Paralympic Games (Winter) 2022;
  - (ix) the Commonwealth Games 2022; or
- (b) a declared multi-sport event.

**nominating person**, for a multi-sport event, means:

- (a) unless paragraph (b) applies—a person in charge of the Australian team at the multi-sport event in the position of Chef de Mission or an equivalent position; or

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(b) for a declared multi-sport event-a declared nominating person.

**previous Regulations** means the *Australian Sports Medal Regulations* set out in the Schedule to the Letters Patent dated 23 December 1999.

Note: The Letters Patent are published in Gazette Notice No. S 170, Wednesday, 5 April 2000.

**Register** means the Register kept under regulation 9.

**Registrar** means the Registrar of Awards appointed under regulation 9.

### 3 Interpretation

For each instrument made by the Governor-General under these Regulations:

- (a) the Governor-General may, in writing, on the recommendation of the Minister, amend or repeal the instrument; and
- (b) the Governor-General may provide for matters in the instrument by reference to particular matters or a class or classes of matters.

## Part 2-Award of Medal

### 4 Declaration

The Governor-General may declare, in writing, on the recommendation of the Minister:

- (a) that an international sporting event that includes competition in different sports is a ***declared multi-sport event***; and
- (b) that an officer or employee of a specified body organising the participation by one or more Australian teams at a multi-sport event is a ***declared nominating person*** for that multi-sport event; and
- (c) any conditions for the award of the Medal.

### 5 Award of Medal

- (1) The Medal may only be awarded to a person (whether or not the person is an Australian citizen) who:
  - (a) has attended and participated in (whether or not they have competed at) a multi-sport event as an official member of an Australian team; and
  - (b) is nominated by a nominating person for the multi-sport event; and
  - (c) meets the conditions (if any) declared under paragraph 4(c).
- (2) If a person nominated is also a nominating person for the multi-sport event, the Medal may only be awarded to the person if the matters in paragraph (1)(a) in relation to the person are verified by another person who:
  - (a) the Governor-General is satisfied is an appropriate officer or employee of the body organising the participation by one or more Australian teams at the multi-sport event to verify the matters; or
  - (b) is a declared nominating person for the multi-sport event.
- (3) A person who has already been awarded the Medal is not eligible for another award of the Medal.

### 6 Making of awards

An award of the Medal must be made by the Governor-General.

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**Part 3-The Medal**

**7 Design of Medal**

The Governor-General may determine, in writing, the design of the Medal.

**8 Wearing of Medal .**

The Governor-General may determine, in writing, the manner of wearing the Medal.

## Part 4-Administration

### 9 Registrar of Awards

- (1) The Governor-General must, in writing, appoint a Registrar of Awards.
- (2) The Registrar must keep:
  - (a) a Register of the names of persons to whom the Medal has been awarded; and
  - (b) such other records relating to the award of the Medal as the Governor-General directs.
- (3) The Registrar may:
  - (a) correct an error in an entry in the Register of Awards or another record kept under this regulation; and
  - (b) change an entry in the Register of Awards in accordance with regulation 10 or 11; and
  - (c) annotate an entry in another record kept under this regulation.

### 10 Cancellation of award

- (1) The Governor-General may, on the recommendation of the Minister, cancel an award of the Medal.
- (2) If an award of the Medal is cancelled:
  - (a) the Registrar must remove from the Register the entry relating to the award; and
  - (b) the person holding the Medal must return the Medal to the Registrar.

### 11 Reinstatement of award

- (1) The Governor-General may, on the recommendation of the Minister, reinstate an award of the Medal that has been cancelled.
- (2) If an award is reinstated, the Registrar must:
  - (a) restore the entry that was removed from the Register; and
  - (b) return the Medal.

### 12 Guidelines

- (1) The Governor-General may determine, in writing, on the recommendation of the Minister, guidelines for the implementation of these Regulations or a declaration made under these Regulations.
- (2) The Governor-General may, in writing, on the recommendation of the Minister, amend or repeal guidelines made under subregulation (1).

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**Part 5-Transitional provisions**

**13 Transitional-Medals awarded under previous Regulations**

- (1) This regulation applies to a Medal (the *Year 2000 Medal*) awarded under the previous Regulations before the revocation of those Regulations.
- (2) These Regulations apply in relation to the Year 2000 Medal as if it were a Medal awarded under Part 2 of these Regulations.