



## **Australian Operational Service Medal (Civilian) with Clasp Indo-Pacific Instrument 2024**

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I, the Honourable Sam Mostyn AC, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, make the following Declaration under section 3 of the *Australian Operational Service Medal Regulation 2012*.

Dated *12 January* 2025

Sam Mostyn  
Governor-General

By Her Excellency's Command

MATTHEW JAMES KEOGH  
Minister for Defence Personnel

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## 1 Name of instrument

This instrument is the *Australian Operational Service Medal (Civilian) with Clasp Indo-Pacific Instrument 2024*.

## 2 Commencement

This instrument commences the day after signature.

## 3 Authority

This instrument is made under section 3 of the *Australian Operational Service Medal Regulation*.

## 4 Definitions

In this instrument:

**Operational Duties** means duties which make a direct contribution to the achievement of an operational mission.

**Regulation** means the Australian Operational Service Medal Regulation set out in the Schedule to the Letters Patent dated 22 May 2012 given under the Great Seal of Australia.

Note: A number of expressions used in this Instrument are defined in section 2 of the Australian Operational Service Medal Regulation, including the following:

- (a) civilian.

## 5 Declared operations

For subsection 3(1) of the Regulation, for the Australian Operational Service Medal (Civilian) with Clasp Indo-Pacific the following operations, comprising the specified areas and dates, are declared operations:

- (a) Operation GATEWAY that commenced on 1 July 2005 within the area comprising the maritime areas and superjacent airspace of:
  - (i) The Gulf of Mannar through the Bay of Bengal;
  - (ii) The Anderman Sea;
  - (iii) The Malacca Strait;
  - (iv) The Singapore Strait;
  - (v) The Gulf of Thailand; and
  - (vi) The South China Sea.

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- (b) Operation RENDER SAFE that commenced on 3 June 2009 within the area comprising the island nations of the South West Pacific outside the territory of New Zealand, France and the United States of America;
  - (c) Operation SAVILLE that commenced on 10 November 2014 within the area comprising land territory, territorial waters and superjacent airspace of the Indo-Pacific region;
  - (d) Operation AUGURY (Philippines) that commenced on 22 June 2017 and ended on 1 December 2019 within the area comprising of the land, territorial waters, and superjacent airspace of the Philippines;
  - (e) Operation ARGOS that commenced on 26 April 2018 within the area comprising the waters and superjacent airspace of the East China Sea, Yellow Sea, Korea Strait and the Sea of Japan;
  - (f) Operation LINESMEN that commenced on 16 April 2019 within the area comprising the land, not including the Exclusive Economic Zone, of the Republic of Korea;
  - (g) Operation LILIA that commenced on 25 November 2021 and ended on 31 August 2024 within the area comprising the land, territorial waters and superjacent airspace of the Solomon Islands.

## **6 Eligible service**

- (1) For paragraph 4(1)(a) of the Regulation, service is eligible service if:
  - (a) the service is given by a civilian, as defined in section 2 of the Australian Operational Service Medal Regulations, on deployment during the period of the declared operations; and
  - (b) the service occurs for 30 days during one or more deployment, whether or not the service continues throughout the whole day and whether or not the 30 days are continuous;
  - (c) the service is considered to be hazardous under paragraph 3(3)(a) of the Australian Operational Service Medal Regulation.
- (2) If a civilian gave service of a kind mentioned in paragraph (1)(a) of this section, but did not satisfy paragraph (1)(b) of this section because the civilian died or was evacuated due to service-related injury, illness or disability, the service given is taken to have occurred for 30 days during the deployment.

## **7 Conditions**

- (1) For paragraph 4(3)(b) of the Regulation, and paragraph 6(1) of this instrument, the following conditions are determined in relation to service:

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- (a) the service must be given while the civilian giving the service is assigned for Operational Duties on one or more operations that comprise the Indo-Pacific; and
  - (b) no other period of eligible service can have been completed.

Note 1: The effect of paragraph (a) of this section is to exclude service involving non-operational duties such as: participation in training activities; exercises and conferences (with no planning objectives); liaison visits; lessons learnt/fact finding activities and command/staff visits.

Note 2: The effect of paragraph (b) of this section is that a civilian may be awarded only one Australian Operational service Medal (Civilian) with Clasp Indo-Pacific. There is no medallion recognition for additional periods of eligible service on one or more operations that comprise the Indo-Pacific.

## **8 Ribbon for medal and form of clasp**

- (1) For section 12 of the Regulation, the ribbon denoting the standard civilian ribbon is 32 millimetres wide and has a central purple stripe, flanked by gold stripes of equal width, edged with green stripes.
- (2) For section 12 of the Regulation, the clasp for the Indo-Pacific is in the form of a metal clasp of antique silver finish bearing the inscription 'INDO-PACIFIC'.