

Medals

Medals are issued and administered by the New Zealand Defence Force's Personnel Archives and Medals.

Apply for your own medals

If you're currently a member of the NZ Defence Force

You're not required to apply for medals you have recently become qualified to wear. Your Chain of Command will process your application on your behalf.

If you are an ex-member of the NZ Defence Force

If you met the qualifying criteria for a medal and it wasn't issued to you while you were a member of the NZ Defence Force you may apply for it.

Please include as much of the following information in the contact form as possible:

- Surname
- Full Given Names and any other names you are known by
- Date and Place of Birth
- Service Number
- Rank and Service (Army / Navy / Air Force)
- Regiment / Battalion / Unit / Ship
- Period of Service
- Next of Kin, Address and Occupation at time of Enlistment
- Your current postal address, phone number, and e-mail address.

Contact Personnel Archives & Medals to apply for medals (<https://www.nzdf.mil.nz/defence-and-whanau/medals-and-service-records/>)

If your medals are lost or have been stolen

Lost or stolen medals can only be replaced during the lifetime of the person to whom they were originally issued. There will be a charge for replacement medals.

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Contact Personnel Archives & Medals to apply for replacement medals (<https://www.nzdf.mil.nz/defence-and-whanau/medals-and-service-records/medal-applications>)

More information

Personnel Archives and Medals information page (<https://www.nzdf.mil.nz/defence-and-whanau/medals-and-service-records/medal-applications>)

Apply for the medals of someone who's deceased

Medals may be issued to the family of someone who's deceased. The deceased individual will need to have:

- met the qualifying criteria for the medal, and
- never been issued the medal.

The NZ Defence Force doesn't replace medals of someone who is deceased.

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Wearing medals

 View a document on how to wear and maintain medals by RNZRSA (https://www.rsa.org.nz/assets/Basecamp/Rememberance/DIY_Medals.pdf)

Email Personnel Archives & Medals for advice on the proper wearing of medals (<mailto:NZDF.PAM@NZDF.MIL.NZ?subject=Advice%20on%20how%20to%20wear%20medals>)

Or, visit the Personnel Archives & Medals page for general information.

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