



SCOUTS AUSTRALIA

RECOMMENDATION FOR GALLANTRY OR MERITORIOUS CONDUCT AWARD

1. Particulars about the event that is the basis for the recommendation for the Award are to be entered on page 2 of this form or as a detailed attachment.
2. Recommendations for awards for Adult Recognition Awards must not be made on this form, but on the special form provided for that specific purpose.
3. Except for signatures, recommendations must be typed. All names, including names of Groups, Districts, Regions, etc. should be in CAPITAL LETTERS.
4. It is essential that the spelling and details of the names of the person for whom this Award is recommended be correct in order to avoid subsequent embarrassment.
5. After endorsement by the Branch Chief Commissioner, this recommendation form is to be sent to the Chief Commissioner of Australia.

| PERSON RECOMMENDED FOR AN AWARD | | | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Name | | | | |
| | Title | First name | Surname | Postnominals |
| Address | | | | |
| | Town/Suburb | | State/Territory | Postcode |
| Appointment | | | | |
| Group | | | | |
| District | | | | |
| Region | | | | |
| Branch | | | | |
| Date of Birth | | | | |

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EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT RECOMMENDATION

Please provide information under each of the following criteria. Information can be typed directly in the space provided or attached as a separate page if formatted in a similar manner. Please also attach a copy of the person's membership record.

1. Nature of event (drowning, fire etc)

2. Place, date and time of occurrence

3. Account of what happened

4. Particulars of the rescued person

5. Particulars of the event

- *Were there any people able to help, other than the person recommended for the award?*

- *Did they help?*

- *If so, what did they do?*

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- ***Was the person recommended for the award in great or considerable danger of losing their life or of serious injury?***

- ***If so, state how***

- ***Have police taken particulars of the incident?***

- ***If so, the police officer's name, rank and police station***

RECOMMENDATIONS AND ENDORSEMENTS

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| Name of person being recommended | |
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| Initial Recommendation | | | |
|------------------------|--|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Name | | | |
| Position | | | |
| Signature | | | |
| Date | | | |
| Award Recommended | | Certificate for Gallantry | Certificate for Meritorious Conduct |
| | | Gilt Cross for Gallantry | Medal for Meritorious Conduct |
| | | Silver Cross for Gallantry | |
| | | Bronze Cross for Gallantry | |

| Regional Commissioner (where applicable) | |
|------------------------------------------|--|
| Region | |
| Name | |
| Signature | |
| Date | |

| Branch Chief Commissioner | |
|---------------------------|--|
| Branch | |
| Name | |
| Signature | |
| Date | |

| Chief Commissioner of Australia | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Award | | Certificate for Gallantry | Certificate for Meritorious Conduct |
| | | Gilt Cross for Gallantry | Medal for Meritorious Conduct |
| | Approved | Silver Cross for Gallantry | |
| | Not approved | Bronze Cross for Gallantry | |
| Signature | | | |
| Date | | | |

For National Office Only

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| Award granted by Chief Scout of Australia | |
| Date | |

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Rules Relating to Awards for Gallantry or Meritorious Conduct

(for information only – please do not submit with recommendation form)

Detailed information about the Gallantry and Meritorious Conduct Awards can be found at Rule 13.7 and 13.8 of the Scouts Australia Policy and Rules 2008. The information below is a summary of the information in Policy and Rules.

MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

Awards for Meritorious Conduct are granted by the Chief Scout of Australia on the recommendation of the Chief Scout of a Branch to individual members, or Scout Groups in cases of joint action.

Awards for Meritorious Conduct are given in cases which may not have involved risk of life but which have displayed courage, endurance, initiative, or devotion to duty, often under suffering.

A certificate is also issued with each Award. Cloth emblems are worn on the bottom of the left sleeve.

| Meritorious Conduct Award | Medallion and Ribbon Colour | Cloth Emblem Knot Colour |
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| Certificate for Meritorious Conduct | Not issued | Green and blue |
| Medal for Meritorious Conduct | Green ribbon with vertical red stripe | Green and red |

In addition the Chief Commissioner has the discretion to issue a Chief Commissioner's Commendation certificate and lapel pin in circumstances to acknowledge the risks involved, but where the conduct does not quite qualify for a Meritorious Conduct Award.

GALLANTRY

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A certificate is also issued with each Award. A certificate is also issued with each Award. Cloth emblems are worn on the bottom of the left sleeve.

| Gallantry Award | Basis of Award | Medallion and Ribbon Colour | Cloth Emblem Knot Colour |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Certificate for Gallantry | In cases involving limited risk | Not issued | Blue and white |
| Gilt Cross | In cases with moderate risk | Blue ribbon with vertical red stripe | Blue and red |
| Silver Cross | In cases with considerable risk | Blue ribbon | Blue |
| Bronze Cross | Highest possible award for gallantry, granted only for special heroism or extraordinary risk | Red ribbon | Red |

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