



## **New Zealand General Service Medal (Iraq 2003) Regulations 2004**

**Silvia Cartwright, Governor-General**

Pursuant to the Royal Warrant (SR 2002/226) dated 23 July 2002 instituting and creating the New Zealand General Service Medal, the Governor-General of New Zealand, under authority delegated by The Queen, has been pleased to make the following regulations.

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### **REGULATIONS**

- 1 Title**

These regulations are the New Zealand General Service Medal (Iraq 2003) Regulations 2004.
- 2 Commencement**

These regulations come into force on the 28th day after the date of their notification in the Gazette.
- 3 New Zealand General Service Medal (Iraq 2003)**

The New Zealand General Service Medal (Iraq 2003) is awarded subject to the Royal Warrant and to these regulations.
- 4 Ribbon**

The Medal is worn on the left breast suspended from a ribbon, 32 mm in width, composed of a broad central stripe of red with a narrow stripe of white, a broad stripe of light green, and a narrow stripe of black on either side.
- 5 Operational area**

In these regulations, operational area means the area within the land territory, airspace and territorial sea of the country of Iraq.

## **6 Eligibility**

The following persons are eligible for the Medal:-

- (1) members of the Armed Forces (within the meaning of section 2(1) of the Defence Act 1990);
- (2) New Zealand civilians;
- (3) any other persons whom the Prime Minister, on the advice of the Minister of Defence, may determine.

## **7 Qualifying service**

- (1) A person qualifies for the award of the Medal under this regulation if he or she meets the requirements of regulation 6 and:-
  - (a) has served, on or after 27 May 2003, a day or more on land in the operational area, while a member of a New Zealand Government contribution to the United Nations Mine Action Service; or
  - (b) has served, on or after 17 September 2003, a day or more on land in the operational area while a member of a New Zealand Government contribution to an international force providing humanitarian and reconstruction assistance; or
  - (c) has completed, on or after 17 September 2003, 1 sortie or more into the operational area as aircrew or supernumerary aircrew, while posted or attached to a unit allocated for direct support of operations with a New Zealand Government contribution to an international force providing humanitarian and reconstruction assistance; or
  - (d) has served 30 days or more, after 27 May 2003, continuous or aggregated, while on staff visits, familiarisation tours, escort duties, or other non-essential tasks in the operational area; or
  - (e) has had his or her period of service in the operational area terminated, before the completion of qualifying service, by death or evacuation owing to wounds or other disability caused by that service; or
  - (f) did not complete qualifying service, but has been given a New Zealand Royal Honour for gallantry or bravery in the operational area; or
  - (g) if the mission directive stated that the deployment was to be greater than the qualifying service in the operational area, has had his or her period of service in the operational area terminated before the completion of the qualifying service at the direction of the New Zealand Government department or agency that deployed him or her, where that termination is for official reasons (not personal, compassionate, or disciplinary).
- (2) Service in the operational area for this Medal does not qualify for the New Zealand General Service Medal (Afghanistan) 2002.
- (3) Service in the operational area that qualifies for the New Zealand General Service Medal (Afghanistan) 2002 is not qualifying service for this Medal.

## **8 Delegation**

The Chief of Defence Force or an officer of the New Zealand Defence Force authorised by the Chief of Defence may award the New Zealand General Service Medal (Iraq 2003) to any eligible person who qualifies for the award of that Medal.

**9 Forfeiture and restoration**

It shall be competent for the Chief of Defence Force or a Chief of Staff acting for the Chief of Defence Force to-

- (1) cancel and annul the conferment of the Medal on a person; and
- (2) if the conferment of the Medal on a person has been cancelled or annulled, restore the Medal to that person.

Dated at Wellington this 31st day of August 2004.

Mark Burton,  
Minister of Defence.

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