



**SCOUTS AUSTRALIA**  
**RECOMMENDATION FOR**

**GALLANTRY OR MERITORIOUS CONDUCT AWARD**

**Rules Relating to Awards for Gallantry or Meritorious Conduct**  
(for information only – please do not submit with recommendation form)

**MERITORIOUS CONDUCT**

1. 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 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. One of the following awards may be granted, according to the circumstances of the case:
  - a. Certificate for Meritorious Conduct.
  - b. Medal for Meritorious Conduct. Green ribbon with vertical red stripe.
2. The cloth emblem for wear in uniform is a knot on a blue background at the bottom of the left sleeve. The colours of the knots are as follows:
  - a. Green and blue for the Certificate of Meritorious Conduct
  - b. Green and red for the Medal for Meritorious Conduct.

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

<b>Meritorious Conduct Award</b>	<b>Medallion and Ribbon Colour</b>	<b>Cloth Emblem Knot Colour</b>
<b>Certificate for Meritorious Conduct</b>	Not issued	Green and blue
<b>Medal for Meritorious Conduct</b>	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**

Awards for Gallantry 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.

One of the following awards may be granted, according to the circumstances of the case:

- a. Certificate for Gallantry, in cases involving limited risk.
- b. Gilt Cross, for Gallantry with moderate risk. Blue ribbon with vertical red stripe.
- c. Silver Cross, for Gallantry with considerable risk. Blue ribbon.
- d. Bronze Cross. The highest possible Award for Gallantry, granted only for special heroism or extraordinary risk. Red ribbon.

The cloth emblem for wear on uniform is a knot on a blue background at the bottom of the left sleeve. The colours of the knots are:

- a. Blue and white for the Certificate for Gallantry.
- b. Blue and red for the Gilt Cross.
- c. Blue for the Silver Cross.
- d. Red for the Bronze Cross.

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

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

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** and then passed onto National Office for processing with the Chief Scout of Australia.

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

EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT RECOMMENDATION
<i>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.</i>
<i>1. Nature of event (drowning, fire etc)</i>
<i>2. Place, date and time of occurrence</i>
<i>3. Account of what happened</i>
<i>4. Particulars of the rescued person</i>
<i>5. Particulars of the event</i>

- *Were there any people able to help, other than the person recommended for the award?*
- *Did they help?*
- *If so, what did they do?*
- *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**

<b>Name of person being recommended</b>	
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<b>Initial Recommendation</b>				
<b>Name</b>				
<b>Position</b>				
<b>Signature</b>				
<b>Date</b>				
<b>Award Recommended</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Certificate for Gallantry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Certificate for Meritorious Conduct
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gilt Cross for Gallantry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medal for Meritorious Conduct
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Silver Cross for Gallantry		
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bronze Cross for Gallantry		

<b>Regional Commissioner (where applicable)</b>	
<b>Region</b>	
<b>Name</b>	
<b>Signature</b>	
<b>Date</b>	

<b>Branch Chief Commissioner</b>	
<b>Branch</b>	
<b>Name</b>	
<b>Signature</b>	
<b>Date</b>	

<b>Chief Commissioner of Australia</b>					
<b>Award</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Certificate for Gallantry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Certificate for Meritorious Conduct	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gilt Cross for Gallantry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medal for Meritorious Conduct	
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Not approved</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Silver Cross for Gallantry		
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Bronze Cross for Gallantry		
<b>Signature</b>					
<b>Date</b>					

**For National Office Only**

<b>Award granted by Chief Scout of Australia</b>	
<b>Date</b>	