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THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

RECOMMENDATION FOR AN AWARD FOR GALLANTRY AND/OR FOR MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

NOTES:

Particulars are to be entered on pages 2 and 3 of this form.

Recommendations for awards for Good Service must not be made on this form, but on the special form provided.

Except for signatures, recommendations must be typed. All names, including names of Groups, Districts, Areas, etc., should be in BLOCK CAPITALS,

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.

Surname of Person recommended.....

Other Names (in full).....

Address (in full).....

.....*State or Territory*.....

Rank - *Date of Birth*

Group *District Association*

Scout Area

FOR NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS USE ONLY

Recommendation received at National Headquarters

Acknowledged.....

REPORT OF THE CASE

1. NATURE OF OCCURRENCE (E.G. DROWNING, FIRE, ETC.):

2. PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF OCCURRENCE:

3. ACCOUNT OF WHAT HAPPENED:

4. PARTICULARS OF RESCUED PERSON:

Name:

Address:

Age or approximate age:

Male or Female:

(Note: A written statement by the rescued person should be attached if practicable).

5. NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF EYE-WITNESSES WHOSE WRITTEN AND SIGNED STATEMENTS ARE ATTACHED:

6. PARTICULARS OF OCCURRENCE:

(a) Were there any people able to help, other than the person recommended herein?

(b) Did they help?

(c) If so, what did they do?

(d) Was the person recommended in great or considerable danger of losing his life or of serious injury?

(e) If so, state how:

(f) Have Police taken particulars?

(g) If so, policeman's name, rank and police station:

7. ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS IN CASE OF RESCUE FROM DROWNING:

(a) If in a river, creek or other stream or canal, state:

Width:

Depth of water:

Current:

(b) If in a lake, pond, dam or the like, state:

Area:

Depth of water:

Wind:

(c) If at sea, state:

Wind conditions:

Sea conditions:

Weather conditions generally:

(d) If on seashore, state:

Distance from shore where rescue was made:

State of tide:

Weather conditions:

Depth (Approx.) if known:

(e) How long was the rescued person IN DIFFICULTIES in the water?

(f) Could the rescued person swim?

(g) What was his state of exhaustion or otherwise when rescued?

(h) What safety or life-saving appliance was used, if any?

(i) Could the person recommended swim?

(j) If so, how far did he swim to make the rescue?

8. ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS IN CASE OF RESCUE FROM FIRE

(a) If in a building, type of building (brick, fibro weatherboard, number of storeys, etc.):

(b) Position of building relative to other buildings; location of fire in it; room and position where rescued person was (ATTACH A SKETCH) :

(c) How serious was the fire (e.g. was the building completely destroyed or gutted or was only part of it burned) ?

(d) If the fire was not in a building, what was it and how big was it, etc.?

(e) What was done to put the fire out?

(f) What property, etc., was destroyed?

(g) What was saved?

(h) Was the rescued person conscious or unconscious?

(i) was he injured?

(j) If so, how badly? In particular, was he helpless or was he able to help himself ?

Where the application does not relate to incidents involving drowning or fire, the relevant information must describe the event with the same degree of detail indicated above.

RECOMMENDED BY DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

Date: Signature.....
D.C..... District

RECOMMENDED BY AREA COMMISSIONER

Date..... Signature.....
A.C.....Area

RECOMMENDATION BY CHIEF COMMISSIONER

Date..... Signature.....
Chief Commissioner.....Branch

ENDORSED BY THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF AUSTRALIA

Date..... Signature.....

ENDORSED BY THE BRANCH CHIEF SCOUT

Date :..... Signature.....
Chief Scout.....Branch

AWARD BY THE CHIEF SCOUT OF AUSTRALIA

Date.....

RULES RELATING TO AWARDS FOR GALLANTRY

Rule 11/23

- (1) Awards for Gallantry are granted by the Chief Scout of Australia on the recommendation of the Chief Scout of a Branch, to Scouts, Scouters and persons holding non-warranted and honorary rank, and also to Groups in cases of joint action, on the recommendation of the D.C. and A.C. application being made on the appropriate form available from B.H.Q.
- (2) In the case of an application for an award to a Commissioner, the initial recommendation will be made by the A.C. only.
- (3) Applications must incorporate a full account of the occurrence, with the evidence of two-witnesses, wherever possible.
- (4) The application must not specify any grade of award.
- (5) The application must be recommended by the Chief Commissioner of the Branch concerned and forwarded to the Chief Commissioner of Australia for his concurrence. It will be returned to the Chief Commissioner of the Branch for submission to the Chief Scout of the Branch. If endorsed by the Chief Scout of the Branch, he will forward it to the Chief Scout of Australia for his consideration.

Rule 11/24

The following awards are granted:

- (1) Bronze Cross, Red Ribbon. The highest possible award for gallantry granted only for special heroism or extraordinary risk.
- (2) Silver Cross, Blue Ribbon. For gallantry with considerable risk.
- (3) Gilt Cross, Blue and Red vertical Ribbon. For gallantry with moderate risk.
- (4) Bar. Bars to the above Crosses may be granted for additional acts of gallantry.
- (5) Certificate for Gallantry. In cases which do not justify the award of a Cross or Bar.

AWARDS FOR MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

Rule 11/28

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. They are applied for, and are issued to, the same classes of persons and in the same manner as laid down for awards for Gallantry in Rule 11/23 application being made on the appropriate form available from B.H.Q. A high standard is expected.

Rule 11/29

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

- (1) Medal for Meritorious Conduct. Ribbon green with vertical red stripe.
- (2) Bar. Bars to the Medal for Meritorious Conduct may be awarded for further meritorious conduct
- (3) Certificate for Meritorious Conduct. In cases which do not justify the Award of a Medal of Meritorious conduct or a Bar.