

THE MEDAL FOR LONG SERVICE AND GOOD
CONDUCT (MILITARY).

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GEORGE THE FIFTH, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, to all to whom these Presents shall come,

Greeting!

Whereas His late Majesty King William the Fourth did by Order signified to the Secretary at War and dated the 30th day of July 1830, institute a silver Medal to be granted to discharged soldiers of Our Army receiving a gratuity for meritorious conduct, the Medal having on one side the words "For Long Service and Good Conduct" and on the other side in relief the King's Arms with the name and rank of the soldier, and the year inscribed thereon:

And whereas the existing regulations governing the award of the Medal are laid down in Our Regulations for Our Army, and Our Warrant for the Pay, Appointment, Promotion and Non-Effective Pay of Our Army:

And whereas Her late Majesty Queen Victoria by a Warrant under Her Sign Manual dated the 31st day of May 1895, did approve of the grant of medals for meritorious service, for distinguished conduct, and for long service to warrant officers, non-commissioned officers and men of Our Indian Forces, of Our Colonial Forces, and of Forces raised for Our service in countries under Our protection:

And whereas We are desirous that throughout Our Empire and territories under Our protection there may be one Medal to reward the Long Service and Good Conduct of warrant officers, non-commissioned officers and men of Our Regular Army and the other Permanent Forces of our Empire and territories under Our protection hereinafter referred to as the other Permanent Forces of Our Empire and that thereby the Imperial character of such service may be recognized:

And whereas it has been represented to Us that the grant of the aforesaid Medal to duly qualified members of Our Regular Army and the other Permanent Military Forces of Our Empire would be highly prized by them:

And whereas We deem it expedient to make, ordain and establish rules and ordinances under Our Sign Manual for the governance of the aforesaid Medal:

Now, therefore, We do by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors make, ordain and establish the following rules and ordinances, which shall henceforth be inviolably observed and kept:

Firstly: It is ordained that the Medal shall be designated "The Medal for Long Service and Good Conduct (Military)."

Secondly: it is ordained that the Medal shall be of silver and shall bear in relief on the obverse the Royal and Imperial Effigy and on the reverse the inscription "For Long Service and Good Conduct."

Thirdly: It is ordained that the Medal shall be worn suspended on the left breast

by a crimson ribbon, edged white, one inch and a quarter in width.

Fourthly: It is ordained that the Medal shall in all cases bear a subsidiary title to denote whether at the time the recipient qualified for the award of the Medal he was serving in Our Regular Army or in one of the other Permanent Forces of Our Empire, such subsidiary title being specified in the regulations hereinafter mentioned and inscribed on a bar attached to the mount of the Medal.

Fifthly: It is ordained that the Medal shall be awarded to warrant officers, non-commissioned officers and men of Our Regular Army and of the other Permanent Forces of Our Empire who complete eighteen years' service as defined in the regulations hereinafter mentioned and whose character and conduct have been irreproachable and who are recommended by their Commanding Officers.

Sixthly: It is ordained that service as aforesaid rendered by a soldier whilst under the age of eighteen years shall reckon as qualifying service for the Medal, and that service in West Africa and in certain parts of the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan as specified in the regulations hereinafter mentioned shall reckon two-fold as qualifying service.

Seventhly: It is ordained that service in a Reserve or in any Militia, Territorial, Volunteer or Auxiliary Military Force or in any other force or organisation not involving whole-time military service shall not reckon as qualifying service for the Medal, except that when such Reserve, Militia, or Force is mobilized, embodied or called out on permanent service in an emergency, the period during which a member of such Reserve, Militia or Force is actually employed on whole-time service shall reckon as qualifying service.

Eighthly: It is ordained that the Medal shall not be awarded to natives in respect of service in corps for which special medals for long service and good conduct are already granted and nothing contained in this Warrant shall affect the conditions governing the award of such Medals.

Ninthly: It is ordained that it shall be competent for Our Army Council in regard to Our Regular Army or, for the Governors-General, Governors or Officers administering the Government, as the case may be, in regard to the Permanent Force of one of Our respective Dominions, Colonies, or territories under Our protection, or for Our Viceroy in regard to Our Indian Army to cancel and annul the award of the Medal to any person, together with the award which may be granted under the regulations hereinafter mentioned of any gratuity appertaining thereto not already paid, and also to restore a forfeited Medal, together with any such gratuity, under the conditions laid down in the regulations hereinafter mentioned.

Tenthly: It is ordained that the Medal shall be awarded under such regulations as to grant, forfeiture, restoration, and other matters, in amplification of these Our rules and ordinances as may, with Our approval