

ANZAC Day Commemorative March Protocols

The All-Abilities Sunset Service, Dawn Service, Gunfire Breakfast, and ANZAC Day March events are prime opportunities to commemorate those who gave so much for our country – especially those who are no longer with us.

In respect of participating in the ANZAC Day March participants should be aware that the consensus of the returned servicemen and women, who form the body of this March, is that they be allowed to retain the integrity of their individual units for as long as possible. While they recognise the importance of, and respect the participation of next of kin (NOK), they request the following guidelines be observed by all participants:

1. All marchers should conform to forming up and marching five abreast.
2. Serial 18 to 25 on the Order of March is reserved for marchers who are living veterans who do not wish to march with their service corps or unit.
3. Veterans should march directly behind their Unit Banner, accompanied by one carer if needed. That carer should be of an age where they directly assist the veteran.
4. Veterans having difficulty completing The March are encouraged to use the transport provided but must remain in the vehicle until The March is complete. Transport to be arranged in advance by contacting Cassandra at Monarch Events (0402 845 459 | cassandra@monarchevents.com.au). Vehicle availability cannot be guaranteed on the day.
5. If a veteran must fall out of The March, they should be directed to a Marshall for assistance. Unit Associations should continue so as not to disrupt the movement of The March.
6. NOK should march behind the veterans and be old enough to march the full distance without assistance. Please note: baby prams are not permitted.

7. NOK representation should be restricted to one per veteran.
8. Attire should be neat and tidy out of respect to the fallen (torn denim, sporting attire, dirty joggers, etc. are not acceptable standards). Example of appropriate dress is; jacket and tie.
9. Carrying pictures of relatives is **not** supported.
10. Wearing of medals
 - If a march participant chooses to wear the medals of an immediate NOK or family member, they are to be worn on the right-hand side. (left-hand side is reserved for the original owners). NOK should not March without the relatives medals.
 - In accordance with the Order of Wearing Australian Honours and Awards, State medals, for example, those issued by the Western Australian Police Force and the Department of Fire and Emergency Services, are to be worn on the right-hand side. State medals **ARE NOT** to be worn on the left hand-side with Australian Honours and Awards.
11. Media services have been advised not to conduct interviews 'on the move' during the March.
12. Veterans are requested not to join or leave The March other than at the Assembly or Dispersal points.
13. Only recognised National Flags are to be carried in the Parade.
14. The Commemorative March is not a cultural parade, but a March for ADF, and Ex-Service personnel. National Dress is not supported.
15. Descendants of Veterans are requested to march after living and serving veterans of Australia and allies and behind their appropriate Unit Banner while conforming to the same requirements.

16. Please do not bring personal belongings with you, there is no where safe to store these during The March.

17. At the March dispersal on Langley Park, there will be volunteers to guide you. Toilets and water will be available.

We would be grateful if you adopted these guidelines and by doing so you will not only honour your fallen comrades and forebears, but you will also help maintain the ANZAC tradition we are so proud of.

What do units, associations and groups do on the day?

1. Primary or secondary contact to check in at the registration desk at Allendale Square, 77 St Georges Terrace from 0800, to step off at 0900.
2. All Units, Associations and Marching contingents to be formed up by 0845.
3. Form up under your Section Letter as per the Order of March. Marshalls will be available to assist.
4. Road closures will be in place and limited public parking available in the CBD. We encourage attendees to take public transport and utilise the [TransPerth Journey Planner](#).
5. Lost medals – if you find lost medals or other memorabilia, please deliver to RSL WA, 28 St Georges Terrace Perth.