

Australia Day Achievement Medallion Program

The Australia Day Medallion Program was established to reward exceptional performance within Government Departments and agencies, not-for-profit organisations, and corporate entities. They are reserved for the highest level of recognition. The Program provides a unique way of inspiring and recognising staff when presented in the lead up to Australia Day.

The RSL is one of a select few not-for-profit organisations who have the privilege of providing these awards.

Eligibility Criteria

These awards are limited to:

- RSL staff members at National, State, District or Sub-Branch level,
- volunteers,
- individual RSL members or
- Sub-Branches (nomination for a Sub-Branch can only come from the State Branch)

to recognise the contribution of individuals and teams for:

- exceptional performance in special projects,
- exceptional performance of core duties,
- excellence or outstanding achievement,
- recognition in a particular field.

Businesses or organisations outside of the RSL are not eligible to be nominated for these awards. A more appropriate form of acknowledgement for any organisations or businesses considered worthy of recognition for their assistance to the League would be a National Certificate of Appreciation.

Nominations

In mid-September each year, Branches will be requested to canvas for nominations for the following year's Australia Day Achievement Awards.

The number and names of the Medallion nominees from each Branch should be received at the National Office by the second Friday in November so that the order can be placed and medallions received for dispatch to Branches prior to the Christmas/New Year break.

A short narrative outlining why the recipient was nominated should accompany each of the names. This will be provided to the Australia Day Council to publish on their website. Allowing members to be celebrated publicly for their achievement.

Please note: There is no scope to purchase spare medallions. RSL National is to be advised of recipient names before the order can be placed.

Cap on Numbers

The maximum number of nominations for the Australia Day Achievement Medallions from the State Branches is capped at 65 (see below). Please be mindful when selecting your recipients and put forward only those most deserving of recognition.

The cap for state nominations in total is 65.

- 5 each for the smaller states - ACT, TAS, WA and SA, and
- 15 each for the larger states, QLD, NSW and VIC.

The National CEO can also make nominations for RSL National staff or volunteers - 1 per year.

Note: Any residual nominees could be submitted for recognition by the National Board with a National Certificate of Appreciation.

Certificates

The official Australia Day Achievement Medallion comes with a complimentary Achievement Certificate for each recipient to further acknowledge their contribution. The National office will email a print friendly version of the certificate once orders are placed.

The Medallion is awarded by RSL Australia, and this should be reflected on the certificates.

Engraving

Each medallion has a space provided for the recipient's name, organisation, and year to be engraved. The coordination and cost of the engraving is the responsibility of each Branch.

Acknowledgement

The National Australia Day Council will publish a list of recipient's names and a short narrative on its website www.australiaday.org.au following Australia Day.