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**SCHEDULE (Regulation 2)**

Rank	Rate (per hour or part thereof)	Minimum Period
Constable/Corporal	\$4.00	2 hours
Sergeant/Staff Sergeant	\$5.00	2 hours
Inspector/Chief Inspector	\$6.00	2 hours

**ROYAL BAHAMAS POLICE FORCE AND RESERVE  
(AWARD OF MEDALS) REGULATIONS**

S.I. 60/1979

## (SECTION 104)

*[Commencement 27th September, 1979]*

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Royal Bahamas Police Force and Reserve (Award of Medals) Regulations. Citation.

**2.** (1) There shall be in respect of the Force three medals, namely — Medals.

- (a) the Medal for Gallantry;
- (b) the Medal for Meritorious Service; and
- (c) the Medal for Long Service and Good Conduct.

(2) There shall be, in respect of the Reserve, a Medal for Faithful Service.

(3) Each of the medals specified in paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be reproduced as a miniature and —

- (a) shall be known as a “miniature medal”;
- (b) shall be approximately half the size of the medal from which it is reproduced;
- (c) may be worn on certain occasions by the person to whom the medal is awarded.

**3.** (1) Each of the medals specified in paragraph (1) of regulation 2 shall be a circular silver medal one and three eighths ( $1\frac{3}{8}$ ) inches in diameter bearing on the obverse the Coat of Arms of The Bahamas, on the reverse an Description of medals.

emblematic design consisting of a laurel wreath and crossed batons with the words “For Gallantry” or “For Meritorious Service” or “For Long Service and Good Conduct,” as the case may be, and the words “Royal Bahamas Police Force,” and on the rim, the name and rank of the person to whom it is awarded.

(2) The medal specified in paragraph (2) of regulation 2 shall be a silver circular medal one and three eighths ( $1\frac{3}{8}$ ) inches in diameter bearing on the obverse the Coat of Arms of The Bahamas, on the reverse an emblematic design consisting of an oak leaf cluster and a baton with the words “For Faithful Service in The Royal Bahamas Police Force Reserve”, and on the rim, the name and rank of the person to whom it is awarded.

Awards of medals.

4. (1) Each of the medals specified in regulation 2 and any clasp added thereto shall be awarded by the Governor-General on the advice of the Prime Minister.

(2) The name of any person to whom any medal or clasp is awarded shall be published in the *Gazette* and a register of the names of such persons shall be kept by such persons as the Governor-General may direct.

Wearing of medals.

5. (1) Each of the medals specified in regulation 2 shall be worn on the left breast suspended by means of a ribbon.

(2) The ribbon to be attached to the Medal for Meritorious Service shall be one and three eighths ( $1\frac{3}{8}$ ) inches wide, divided into five vertical bands, the central band of which shall be one eighth ( $\frac{1}{8}$ ) of an inch wide, old, with two aquamarine borders each three eighths ( $\frac{3}{8}$ ) of an inch wide and two black bands each one fourth ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of an inch wide, separating the borders from the central band.

(3) The ribbon to be attached to the Medal for Gallantry shall have the same description as that of the Medal for Meritorious Service specified in paragraph (2) except that the inner black bands of the ribbon shall each be centrally divided by a crimson stripe one sixteenth ( $\frac{1}{16}$ ) of an inch wide.

(4) The ribbon to be attached to the Medal for Long Service and Good Conduct shall be one and three eighths ( $1\frac{3}{8}$ ) inches wide, divided into five vertical bands, the central band of which shall be one eighth ( $\frac{1}{8}$ ) of an inch

wide, gold, with two black borders each three eighths ( $\frac{3}{8}$ ) of an inch wide, and two aquamarine bands each one fourth ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of an inch wide separating the borders from the central band.

(5) The ribbon to be attached to the Medal for Faithful Service shall be one and three eighths ( $1\frac{3}{8}$ ) inches wide, divided into five vertical bands, the central band of which shall be one eighth ( $\frac{1}{8}$ ) of an inch wide, aquamarine, with two gold borders each three eighths ( $\frac{3}{8}$ ) of an inch wide and two black bands one fourth ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of an inch separating the borders from the central band.

**6.** (1) The Medal for Gallantry may be awarded to members of the Force who have performed acts of great courage in circumstances of extreme danger.

Qualifications for award of Medal for Gallantry.

(2) An award of the Medal for Gallantry shall be made as soon as possible after the event occasioning the award, and may be made during the lifetime of the recipient or posthumously.

(3) A clasp may be awarded for any further act of gallantry, and a small silver rose emblem denoting the award of a clasp shall be worn on the ribbon when the ribbon is worn alone.

**7.** (1) The Medal for Meritorious Service may be awarded to members of the Force who have performed distinguished service characterised by devotion to duty, including prolonged service marked by exceptional ability, merit and conduct.

Qualifications for award of Medal for Meritorious service.

(2) A clasp may be awarded for any additional meritorious service, and a small silver rose emblem denoting the award of a clasp shall be worn on the ribbon when the ribbon is worn alone.

**8.** (1) The Medal for Long Service and Good Conduct may be awarded to members of the Force who have completed eighteen years' continuous service in the Force and who have not —

Qualifications for award of Medal for Long Service and Good Conduct.

- (a) been fined more than five dollars for any offence against discipline before 10th July, 1973;
- (b) been fined more than two days' pay for any offence;

- (c) been punished on more than three occasions in all for minor offences against Force discipline on or after the 10th July, 1973;
- (d) been reprimanded for any major offence against Force discipline;
- (e) been punished by reduction in rank or seniority;
- (f) been convicted in a civil court of any offence which would have constituted a major offence against Force discipline:

Provided that —

- (i) breaks in service not exceeding six months on any occasion, shall not be regarded as breaking the continuity of such service;
- (ii) the Commissioner of Police may recommend the award of the medal to any member of the Force who is disqualified under paragraph (1), if he is satisfied that the conduct of that member subsequent to his last disciplinary offence merits such an award.

(2) A clasp may be awarded to the recipient of the medal on the completion of twenty-five years' continuous service and thirty years' continuous service respectively:

Provided that such further periods of continuous service qualify under the provisions of paragraph (1).

(3) A small silver rose emblem denoting each award of a clasp shall be worn on the ribbon when the ribbon is worn alone.

Qualifications for award of Medal for Faithful Service.

**9.** (1) The Medal for Faithful Service may be awarded to members of the Reserve who have completed fifteen years' voluntary service in the Reserve and who have performed such service faithfully:

Provided that no period of service as a full-time member of the permanent staff of the Force shall count as qualifying service and any break in service not exceeding twelve months shall not be regarded as breaking the continuity of such service.

(2) A clasp may be added for each further period of six years' continuous service as aforesaid and a small silver rose emblem denoting the award of a clasp shall be worn on the ribbon when the ribbon is worn alone.

**10.** (1) The Governor-General may on the advice to that effect by the Prime Minister after consultation with the Commissioner of Police cancel the award to any person of the medal or clasp for Meritorious Service or for Long Service and Good Conduct or for Faithful Service, and thereupon the register referred to in paragraph (2) of regulation 4 shall be amended accordingly and the person shall forthwith return the medal or clasp to such person as may be designated by the Governor-General to receive it:

Cancellation of award of medal.

Provided that the Governor-General may in like manner restore any award so cancelled and thereupon his name shall be entered once more on the Register referred to in paragraph (2) of regulation 4.

(2) A notice of the cancellation, forfeiture or restoration of any award of a medal or clasp shall in every case be published in the *Gazette* by the person keeping the register pursuant to paragraph (2) of regulation 4.

**11.** If a medal or clasp is lost it may, on the recommendation of the Commissioner of Police be replaced at the expense of the recipient, unless the Governor-General relieves him of the requirement to pay.

Loss of medals.

**12.** Any person who —

- (a) not having been awarded a medal under these regulations wears the medal or any other medal or decoration so nearly resembling it as to be calculated to deceive; or
- (b) falsely represents himself to be a person who is or was entitled to wear such medal; or
- (c) without lawful authority or excuse supplies or offers to supply such medal to any person not authorised to wear it.

Offences.

shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars and in default of payment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one month.