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THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS ACT

REGULATIONS
(under section 7)THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS (ORDER OF MERIT)
REGULATIONS, 1970*(Made by the Governor-General on the 16th day of October, 1970)*L.N. 305A/70
Vide:
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26/2002

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Honours and Awards (Order of Merit) Regulations, 1970.
2. In these Regulations "honorary member" means a person upon whom the honour of the Order has been conferred pursuant to regulation 14.
3. The Order of Merit (hereinafter referred to as "the Order") shall consist of the members and honorary members of the Order.
4. Subject to the provisions of regulation 19 every person upon whom has been conferred the honour of the Order shall be a member or honorary member of the Order as the case may be.
5. The Governor-General shall be the Chancellor of the Order and shall, as holder of his office of Chancellor be responsible for the administration of the Order.
6. The Secretary-General of the Order shall be such person as the Chancellor shall designate; he shall maintain the records of the Order, arrange for investitures and perform such other functions in relation to the Order as the Chancellor may from time to time require him to perform.
7. The Chancellor may appoint such other officials for the Order as he thinks fit.
8. A person shall not be a member or honorary member of the Order by reason only of the fact that he is an official of the Order.
9. The motto of the Order shall be "He that does truth comes into the light".

10. The seal of the Order shall bear the design of the insignia of the Order which shall be of such description as may be notified by the Governor-General in the *Gazette*.

11. The Chancellor may from time to time by notification in the *Gazette* specify the occasions and the manner in which the insignia of the Order shall be worn.

12.—(1) The seal shall be kept in the custody of the Chancellor and, subject to paragraph (2) of this regulation and regulation 16, shall be affixed to such instruments as the Chancellor may determine.

(2) The seal of the Order shall be affixed to the instrument issued to any person with respect to the conferment on such person of the honour of the Order or depriving such person of the honour.

13.—(1) The Governor-General, on the advice of the Prime Minister, may notify in the *Gazette* the conferment of the honour of the Order upon any citizen of Jamaica who has achieved eminent international distinction in the field of science, the arts, literature or any other endeavour and thereafter the Governor-General shall issue to such person an appropriate instrument in writing and the date of the conferment of the honour shall be specified therein.

(2) The honour of the Order shall not be conferred—

(a) upon more than two persons in any one year; or

(b) upon any person if the number of living members, other than honorary members, would, by reason of such conferment, be increased to more than fifteen.

14. The Governor-General, on the advice of the Prime Minister, may notify in the *Gazette* the conferment of the honour of the Order upon any distinguished citizen of a country other than Jamaica and thereafter the Governor-General shall issue to such person an appropriate instrument in writing and the date of the conferment of the honour shall be specified therein.

15. The honour of the Order may be conferred posthumously.

16. Members or honorary members of the Order who are living shall be invested by the Governor-General with the insignia of the Order, but where the Governor-General thinks it necessary so to do he may by warrant sealed with the seal of the Order—

- (a) authorize some distinguished person to perform in his name the ceremony of investiture; or
- (b) permit the ceremony of investiture to be dispensed with.

17.—(1) Every member or honorary member of the Order shall be entitled—

- (a) to wear, as a decoration, the insignia of the Order;
- (b) to be styled “Honourable”;
- (c) to have the letters “O.M.” placed after his name on all occasions when the use of such letters is customary.

(2) A member or honorary member of the Order may wear a miniature replica of the insignia, which shall be one-half the size of the insignia.

18. In Jamaica a citizen of Jamaica shall wear the insignia of the Order immediately after the insignia of the Order of National Hero and in front of all other decorations.

19.—(1) A person shall cease to be a member or honorary member of the Order—

- (a) upon his resignation from the Order, which shall have effect from the date on which such resignation in writing is accepted by the Governor-General; or
- (b) upon being deprived of the honour by the Governor-General acting upon the advice of the Prime Minister.

(2) Where it appears to the Prime Minister that there is cause to consider whether any person should be deprived of the honour of the Order, the Prime Minister may ask the Advisory Committee established under section 5 of the Act to inquire into the matter and make recommendations to him.

(3) The Governor-General on the advice of the Prime Minister may restore the honour of the Order to any person who was deprived thereof.

20.—(1) Where any person ceases to be a member or honorary member of the Order by reason of his resignation or of his having been deprived of the honour, it shall be notified in the *Gazette* by the Secretary-General and his name shall be erased from the register and he shall forthwith return the insignia of the Order to the Secretary-General.

(2) When a member or honorary member of the Order dies the insignia of the Order which he held may be retained by his family.

21. Any person who—

- (a) not being a member or an honorary member of the Order, wears the insignia of the Order or any other 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 insignia; or
 - (c) without lawful authority or excuse supplies or offers to supply such insignia to any person not authorized to wear it,
- shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction before a Resident Magistrate to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars and in default of payment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one month.

L.N. 108/75

NOTE:

Description of Insignia

In accordance with regulation 10 it is hereby notified that the design of the Insignia of the Order of Merit is as follows:

Suspended from a plain wine coloured neck ribbon a six armed white star with twelve points having superimposed on it a lesser similarly shaped star in silver between each of the outer points six blue *Lignum Vitae* flowers and in the centre of two stars a circular gold badge containing the Arms of Jamaica in gold on silver surrounded by the motto "HE THAT DOES TRUTH COMES INTO THE LIGHT" in gold letters on red enamel.

THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS ACT

REGULATIONS
(under section 7)

THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS (ORDER OF JAMAICA)
REGULATIONS, 1970

(Made by the Governor-General on the 16th day of October, 1970)

L.N. 305B/70
Vide:
L.N. 325A/71
Vide Act
26/2002

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Honours and Awards (Order of Jamaica) Regulations, 1970.

2. In these Regulations “honorary member” means a person upon whom the honour of the Order has been conferred pursuant to regulation 14.

3. The Order of Jamaica (hereinafter referred to as “the Order”) shall consist of the members and honorary members of the Order.

4. Subject to the provisions of regulation 19 every person upon whom has been conferred the honour of the Order shall be a member or honorary member of the Order as the case may be.

5. The Governor-General shall be the Chancellor of the Order and shall, as holder of his office of Chancellor be responsible for the administration of the Order.

6. The Secretary-General of the Order shall be such person as the Chancellor shall designate; he shall maintain the records of the Order, arrange for investitures and perform such other functions in relation to the Order as the Chancellor may from time to time require him to perform.

7. The Chancellor may appoint such other officials for the Order as he thinks fit.

8. A person shall not be a member or honorary member of the Order by reason only of the fact that he is an official of the Order.

9. The motto of the Order shall be “For a covenant of the People”.

10. The seal of the Order shall bear the design of the insignia of the Order which shall be of such description as may be notified by the Governor-General in the *Gazette*.

11. The Chancellor may from time to time by notification in the *Gazette* specify the occasions and the manner in which the insignia of the Order shall be worn.

12.—(1) The seal shall be kept in the custody of the Chancellor and, subject to paragraph (2) of this regulation and regulation 16, shall be affixed to such instruments as the Chancellor may determine.

(2) The seal of the Order shall be affixed to the instrument issued to any person with respect to the conferment on such person of the honour of the Order or depriving such person of the honour.

13. The Governor-General, on the advice of the Prime Minister, may notify in the *Gazette* the conferment of the honour of the Order upon any Jamaican citizen of outstanding distinction and thereafter the Governor-General shall issue to such person an appropriate instrument in writing and the date of the conferment of the honour shall be specified therein.

14. The Governor-General, on the advice of the Prime Minister, may notify in the *Gazette* the conferment of the honour of the Order upon any distinguished citizen of a country other than Jamaica and thereafter the Governor-General shall issue to such person an appropriate instrument in writing and the date of the conferment of the honour shall be specified therein.

15. The honour of the Order may be conferred posthumously.

16. Members or honorary members of the Order who are living shall be invested by the Governor-General with the insignia of the Order, but where the Governor-General thinks it necessary so to do he may by warrant sealed with the seal of the Order—

(a) authorize some distinguished person to perform in his name the ceremony of investiture; or

(b) permit the ceremony of investiture to be dispensed with.

17.—(1) Every member or honorary member of the Order shall be entitled—

- (a) to wear, as a decoration, the insignia of the Order;
- (b) to be styled "Honourable".
- (c) to have the letters "O.J." placed after his name on all occasions when the use of such letters is customary.

(2) A member or honorary member of the Order may wear a miniature replica of the insignia, which shall be one-half of the size of the insignia.

18. In Jamaica a citizen of Jamaica shall wear the insignia of the Order after the insignia of the Order of National Hero and the Order of Merit and in front of all other decorations.

19.—(1) A person shall cease to be a member or honorary member of the Order—

- (a) upon his resignation from the Order, which shall have effect from the date on which such resignation in writing is accepted by the Governor-General; or
- (b) upon being deprived of the honour by the Governor-General acting upon the advice of the Prime Minister.

(2) Where it appears to the Prime Minister that there is cause to consider whether any person should be deprived of the honour of the Order, the Prime Minister may ask the Advisory Committee established under section 5 of the Act to inquire into the matter and make recommendations to him.

(3) The Governor-General, on the advice of the Prime Minister, may restore the honour of the Order to any person who was deprived thereof.

20.—(1) Where any person ceases to be a member or honorary member of the Order by reason of his resignation or of his having been deprived of the honour, it shall be notified in the *Gazette* by the Secretary-General and his name shall be erased from the register and he shall forthwith return the insignia of the Order to the Secretary-General.

(2) When a member or honorary member of the Order dies the insignia of the Order which he held may be retained by his family.

21. Any person who—

- (a) not being a member or an honorary member of the Order, wears the insignia of the Order or any other 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 insignia; or
 - (c) without lawful authority or excuse supplies or offers to supply such insignia to any person not authorized to wear it,
- shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction before a Resident Magistrate to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars and in default of payment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one month.

L N 325A/71

NOTE:

Description of Insignia

In accordance with the provisions of regulation 10 it is hereby notified that the design of the Insignia of the Order of Jamaica is as follows:

Suspended from a plain green neck ribbon a white cross each arm of which ending in representations of fruit of the ackee in gold enamelled black, is joined to its neighbour by gold and green enamelled representations of the leaves of the ackee. In the centre of the cross a gold medallion bearing the full achievement of the Arms of Jamaica in relief encircled by the legend "For a Covenant of the People" the letters gold on green enamel.

THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS ACT

REGULATIONS
(under section 7)

THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS (ORDER OF DISTINCTION)
REGULATIONS, 1970

(Made by the Governor-General on the 16th day of October, 1970)

L.N. 305C/70
Vide
L.N. 325A/71
Vide Act
26/2002

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Honours and Awards (Order of Distinction) Regulations, 1970.

2. In these Regulations “honorary member” means a person upon whom the honour of the Order has been conferred pursuant to regulation 16.

3. The Order of Distinction (hereinafter referred to as “the Order”) shall consist of the members and honorary members of the Order.

4. There shall be two ranks of the Order namely—

- (i) Commander, and
- (ii) Officer.

5. Commanders of the Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately after members and honorary members of the Order of Jamaica and Officers of the Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately after Commanders of the Order.

6. Subject to the provisions of regulation 21 every person upon whom has been conferred the honour of the Order shall be a member or honorary member of the Order as the case may be.

7. The Governor-General shall be the Chancellor of the Order and shall, as holder of his office of Chancellor be responsible for the administration of the Order.

8. The Secretary-General of the Order shall be such person as the Chancellor shall designate; he shall maintain the records of the Order, arrange for investitures and perform such other functions in relation

to the Order as the Chancellor may from time to time require him to perform.

9. The Chancellor may appoint such other officials for the Order as he thinks fit.

10. A person shall not be a member or honorary member of the Order by reason only of the fact that he is an official of the Order.

11. The motto of the Order shall be "Distinction through Service".

12.—(1) The seal of the Order shall bear the design of the insignia for the rank of Commander of the Order which shall be of such description as may be notified by the Governor-General in the *Gazette*.

(2) The insignia for rank of Officer of the Order shall also be of such description as may be notified by the Governor-General in the *Gazette*.

13. The Chancellor may from time to time by notification in the *Gazette* specify the occasions and the manner in which insignia of the Order shall be worn.

14.—(1) The seal shall be kept in the custody of the Chancellor and, subject to paragraph (2) of this regulation and regulation 18, shall be affixed to such instruments as the Chancellor may determine.

(2) The seal of the Order shall be affixed to the instrument issued to any person with respect to the conferment on such person of the honour of the Order or depriving such person of the honour.

15. The Governor-General, on the advice of the Prime Minister, may notify in the *Gazette* the conferment of the honour of the Order in either rank upon any citizen of Jamaica who renders outstanding and important services to Jamaica and thereafter the Governor-General shall issue to such person an appropriate instrument in writing and the date of the conferment of the honour shall be specified therein.

16. The Governor-General, on the advice of the Prime Minister, may notify in the *Gazette* the conferment of the honour of the Order in the rank of either Commander or Officer upon any distinguished citizen

of a country other than Jamaica and thereafter the Governor-General shall issue to such person an appropriate instrument in writing and the date of the conferment of the honour shall be specified therein.

17. The honour of the Order may be conferred posthumously.

18. Members or honorary members of the Order who are living shall be invested by the Governor-General with the insignia of the Order, but where the Governor-General thinks it necessary so to do he may by warrant sealed with the seal of the Order—

- (a) authorize some distinguished person to perform in his name the ceremony of investiture; or
- (b) permit the ceremony of investiture to be dispensed with.

19.—(1) Every member or honorary member of the Order shall be entitled—

- (a) to wear, as a decoration, the insignia of the Order appropriate to his rank;
- (b) if appointed in the rank of Commander, to have the letters “C.D.” placed after his name on all occasions when the use of such letters is customary;
- (c) if appointed in the rank of Officer, to have the letters “O.D.” placed after his name on all occasions when the use of such letters is customary.

(2) A member or honorary member of the Order may wear a miniature replica of the insignia appropriate to his rank which shall be one-half the size of the insignia.

20. In Jamaica a citizen of Jamaica shall wear the insignia of the Order after the insignia of the Order of National Hero and the Order of Merit and the Order of Jamaica and in front of all other decorations.

21.—(1) A person shall cease to be a member or honorary member of the Order—

- (a) upon his resignation from the Order, which shall have effect from the date on which such resignation in writing is accepted by the Governor-General; or
- (b) upon being deprived of the honour by the Governor-General acting upon the advice of the Prime Minister.

(2) Where it appears to the Prime Minister that there is cause to consider whether any person should be deprived of the honour of the Order, the Prime Minister may ask the Advisory Committee established under section 5 of the Act to inquire into the matter and make recommendations to him.

(3) The Governor-General on the advice of the Prime Minister may restore the honour of the Order to any person who was deprived thereof.

22.—(1) Where any person ceases to be a member or honorary member of the Order by reason of his resignation or of his having been deprived of the honour, it shall be notified in the *Gazette* by the Secretary-General and his name shall be erased from the register and he shall forthwith return the insignia of the Order to the Secretary-General.

(2) When a member or honorary member of the Order dies the insignia of the Order which he held may be retained by his family.

23. Any person who—

- (a) not being a member or an honorary member of the Order wears either insignia of the Order or any other 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 insignia; or
- (c) without lawful authority or excuse supplies or offers to supply such insignia to any person not authorized to wear it,

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

L.N. 325/71

NOTE:

In accordance with the provisions of regulation 12 it is hereby notified that the designs of the Insignia of the Ranks of Commander and Officer of the Order of Distinction are as under:

Commander

Suspended from a neck ribbon of black, yellow and green by a silver finial of two intertwined letters "J" by the uppermost point a triangular silver decoration with curved sides. In the centre of this is a black medallion bearing the full achievement of the Arms of Jamaica in gold relief with the words "DISTINCTION" on the left "THROUGH" on the right and "SERVICE" beneath the medallion, the letters in black.

Officer

Suspended from a breast ribbon of similar colours without finial, a similar silver triangle but bearing instead of the black medallion, a yellow enamelled square. In its centre the full achievement of the Arms of Jamaica in silver relief.

THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS ACT

REGULATIONS
(under section 7)THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS (MEDAL OF HONOUR)
(JAMAICA DEFENCE FORCE) REGULATIONS, 1970*(Made by the Governor-General on the 16th day of October, 1970)*L.N. 305D/70
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1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Honours and Awards (Medal of Honour) (Jamaica Defence Force) Regulations, 1970.

2. There shall, as respects the Jamaica Defence Force, be five medals, namely—

- (a) The Medal of Honour for Gallantry;
- (b) The Medal of Honour for Meritorious Service;
- (c) The Medal of Honour for General Service;
- (d) The Medal of Honour for Long Service and Good Conduct;
- (e) The Medal of Honour for Efficient Service.

3.—(1) Each of the medals mentioned in regulation 2 shall be a circular medal 1½ inches in diameter bearing on the obverse the Coat of Arms and the word “Jamaica”, on the reverse the badge of the Jamaica Defence Force with the words “For Gallantry” or “For Meritorious Service” or “For General Service” or “For Long Service and Good Conduct” or “For Efficient Service”, as the case may be, and on the rim the number, name and rank of the person to whom it is awarded, the designation “J.D.F.” and the date of the Award.

(2) The Medal of Honour for Gallantry shall be of silver gilt.

(3) The Medal of Honour for Meritorious Service shall be of silver gilt for commissioned officers, and silver for other ranks.

(4) The Medal of Honour for General Service shall be of silver.

(5) The Medal of Honour for Long Service and Good Conduct shall be of silver.

(6) The Medal of Honour for Efficient Service shall be of silver gilt for commissioned officers and silver for other ranks.

4.—(1) Each of the medals mentioned in regulation 2, and any bar added thereto, shall be awarded by the Governor-General in his discretion upon consideration of a report from the Chief of Staff.

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

5.—(1) Each of the medals mentioned in regulation 2 shall be worn on the left breast suspended by a ribbon arrangement to be notified by the Governor-General in the *Gazette*.

(2) The ribbon of the Medal of Honour for General Service shall have a silver bar over the clasp inscribed with the name of the theatre of operation in respect of which the person is being awarded.

(3) The ribbon of the Medal of Honour for Efficient Service shall have a silver bar over the clasp with the word "Reserve" inscribed thereon.

5A. Miniatures of the medals mentioned in regulation 2 may be worn on the occasions approved by the Governor-General.

6.—(1) The Medal of Honour for Gallantry may be awarded to officers and members of the Jamaica Defence Force who have performed acts of gallantry or acts of heroism or have shown great courage in circumstances of extreme danger.

(2) An award of the Medal of Honour 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 bar may be added for any further award of gallantry, and a rose on ribbon shall denote a bar.

(4) Every person to whom the Medal of Honour for Gallantry has been awarded shall be entitled to have the letters "M.G." placed after his name on all occasions when the use of such letters is customary.

7.—(1) The Medal of Honour for Meritorious Service may be awarded to officers and members of the Jamaica Defence Force who have performed distinguished service or have displayed distinguished conduct or bravery.

(2) A bar may be added for any additional meritorious service, and a rose on ribbon shall denote a bar.

7A.—(1) The Medal of Honour for General Service may be awarded to officers and members of the Jamaica Defence Force who have been engaged in military operations overseas or in other areas as may be specified by the Governor-General on the recommendation of the Chief of Staff.

(2) A bar with the name of the theatre of operation may be added for any further award for general service and a rose on ribbon shall denote a bar.

(3) A mention in dispatches may be awarded by the Governor-General on the recommendation of the Chief of Staff for service in the operational area for an act of bravery or for exceptional conduct or efficiency or performance over and above the call of duty and such an award shall be denoted by the wearing of a single bronze oak leaf emblem on the ribbon of the Medal of Honour for General Service.

8.—(1) The Medal of Honour for Long Service and Good Conduct may be awarded to—

- (a) warrant officers;
- (b) non-commissioned officers;
- (c) soldiers,

of the Regular Force who have completed eighteen years' continuous service in such Force, or in such Force and the Jamaica Local Forces, the Jamaica Battalion, Jamaica Regiment and the West India Regiment, and whose conduct and character have been exemplary:

Provided that breaks in service not exceeding six calendar months on any occasion shall not be regarded as breaking the continuity of such service.

(2) A bar may be added for each further period of six years' continuous service, and a rose on ribbon shall denote a bar.

9.—(1) The Medal of Honour for Efficient Service may be awarded to persons who have completed twelve years' voluntary service in the first class of the Reserve Force and performed such service efficiently.

(2) A bar may be added for each further period of six years' continuous service as aforesaid, and a rose on ribbon shall denote a bar.

10.—(1) The Governor-General may in his discretion upon consideration of a report from the Chief of Staff, cancel the award to any person of the Medal of Honour or bar for Meritorious Service, or for Long Service and Good Conduct, or for Efficient 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 bar to such person as may be designated by the Governor-General to receive it:

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 of Honour or bar 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 bar is lost it may, on the recommendation of the Chief of Staff, be replaced at the expense of the recipient, unless the Governor-General relieves him of the requirement to pay.

12. Any person who—

(a) not having been awarded a Medal of Honour, wears that 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 authorized to wear it.

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

L.N. 325A/71

NOTE:

Description of Ribbons to be Worn with Medals of Honour and Badges of Honour

In accordance with the provisions of regulation 5 it is hereby notified that—

(a) The Medal of Honour for Gallantry shall be worn with a ribbon one and a half inches in width, the central part (seven-eighths of an inch in width) red, with two borders black, each five-sixteenths of an inch in width.

(b) The Medal of Honour for Meritorious Service shall be worn with a ribbon one and a half inches in width, the central part (seven-eighths of an inch in width) royal blue, with two borders gold, each five-sixteenths of an inch in width.

(c) The Medal of Honour for Long Service and Good Conduct shall be worn with a ribbon one and a half inches in width, with a central gold stripe and adjoining red stripes, and two royal blue borders all five stripes being three-tenths of an inch in width.

(d) The Medal of Honour for Efficient Service shall be worn with a gold ribbon one and a half inches in width with a central green stripe five-sixteenths of an inch in width.

(e) The Medal of Honour for General Service shall be worn with a ribbon one and one-half inches in width, the central part (one-eighth of an inch in width) yellow, with adjoining green stripes on either side (one-eighth of an inch in width) and then, with adjoining white stripes on either side (quarter of an inch in width) and two red borders five-sixteenths of an inch in width.

L.N. 242B/85

THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS ACT

REGULATIONS
(under section 7)THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS (MEDAL OF HONOUR)
(JAMAICA CONSTABULARY FORCE AND ISLAND SPECIAL CONSTABULARY
FORCE) REGULATIONS, 1970*(Made by the Governor-General on the 16th day of October, 1970)*L.N. 305E/70
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1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Honours and Awards (Medal of Honour) (Jamaica Constabulary Force and Island Special Constabulary Force) Regulations, 1970.

2.—(1) There shall, as respects the Jamaica Constabulary Force and the Island Special Constabulary Force, be two medals, namely—

- (a) The Medal of Honour for Gallantry; and
- (b) The Medal of Honour for Meritorious Service.

(2) As respects the Jamaica Constabulary Force there shall be in addition to the two medals specified under paragraph (1), the Medal of Honour for Long Service and Good Conduct.

(3) As respects the Island Special Constabulary Force there shall be in addition to the two medals specified under paragraph (1), the Medal of Honour for Efficient Service.

3.—(1) Each of the medals mentioned in regulation 2 shall be a circular medal 1½ inches in diameter bearing on the obverse the Coat of Arms and the word “Jamaica”, on the reverse the badge of the Jamaica Constabulary Force with the words “For Gallantry” or “For Meritorious Service” or “For Long Service and Good Conduct” or “For Efficient Service”, as the case may be, and on the rim the name and rank of the person to whom it is awarded, the designation “J.C.F.” (denoting Jamaica Constabulary Force) or “I.S.C.F.” (denoting Island Special Constabulary Force), as the case may require, and the date of the Award.

- (2) The Medal of Honour for Gallantry shall be of silver gilt.

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(3) The Medals of Honour for Meritorious Service and for Efficient Service shall be of silver gilt for officers, and silver for other members.

(4) The Medal of Honour for Long Service and Good Conduct shall be of silver.

4.—(1) Each of the medals mentioned in regulation 2, and any bar added thereto, shall be awarded by the Governor-General in his discretion, upon consideration of a report from the Commissioner of Police.

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

5. Each of the medals mentioned in regulation 2 shall be worn on the left breast suspended by a ribbon arrangement to be notified by the Governor-General in the *Gazette*.

6.—(1) The Medal of Honour for Gallantry may be awarded to members of the Jamaica Constabulary Force and the Island Special Constabulary Force who have performed acts of gallantry or acts of heroism or have shown great courage in circumstances of extreme danger.

(2) An award of the Medal of Honour 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 bar may be added for any further award for gallantry, and a rose on ribbon shall denote a bar.

(4) Every person to whom the Medal of Honour for Gallantry has been awarded shall be entitled to have the letters "M.G." placed after his name on all occasions when the use of such letters is customary.

7.—(1) The Medal of Honour for Meritorious Service may be awarded to members of the Jamaica Constabulary Force and the Island Special Constabulary Force who have performed distinguished service or have displayed distinguished conduct or bravery.

(2) A bar may be added for any additional meritorious service, and a rose on ribbon shall denote a bar.

8.—(1) The Medal of Honour for Long Service and Good Conduct may be awarded to members of the Jamaica Constabulary Force below the rank of Assistant Superintendent who have completed eighteen years' continuous service in the Force and whose conduct and character has been exemplary:

Provided that breaks in service not exceeding six calendar months on any occasion shall not be regarded as breaking the continuity of such service.

(2) A bar may be added for each further period of six years' continuous service, as aforesaid, and a rose on ribbon shall denote a bar.

9.—(1) The Medal of Honour for Efficient Service may be awarded to persons who have completed twelve years' voluntary service in the first class of the Reserve Force and performed such service efficiently:

Provided that no period of service as a wholetime member of the permanent staff of that Force shall count as qualifying service and an interval not exceeding twelve months between any two periods of service shall not be regarded as breaking the continuity of such service.

(2) A bar may be added for each further period of six years' continuous service, as aforesaid, and a rose on ribbon shall denote a bar.

10.—(1) The Governor-General may in his discretion, upon consideration of a report by the Commissioner of Police, cancel the award to any person of the Medal of Honour or bar for Meritorious Service, or for Long Service and Good Conduct, or for Efficient 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 bar to such person as may be designated by the Governor-General to receive it:

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.

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(2) A notice of the cancellation, forfeiture or restoration of any award of a Medal of Honour or bar 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 bar 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.

12. Any person who—

- (a) not having been awarded a Medal of Honour, 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 authorized to wear it, shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction before a Resident Magistrate to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars and in default of payment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one month.

L.N. 325A/71

NOTE:

In accordance with the provisions of regulation 5 it is hereby notified that—

- (a) The Medal of Honour for Gallantry shall be worn with a ribbon one and a half inches in width in green, bordered by adjoining black and gold stripes each one-eighth of an inch in width (the black stripes being at the outside edges of the ribbon), with one central red stripe one quarter of an inch in width.
- (b) The Medal of Honour for Meritorious Service shall be worn with a ribbon one and a half inches in width in green, bordered by adjoining black and gold stripes each one-eighth of an inch in width (the black stripes being at the outside edges of the ribbon).
- (c) The Medal of Honour for Long Service and Good Conduct shall be worn with a ribbon one and a half inches in width with seven stripes equal in width, coloured from left to right green, gold, black, gold, black, gold and green in that order.
- (d) The Medal of Honour for Efficient Service shall be worn with a ribbon one and a half inches in width in gold bordered by green stripes one-eighth of an inch in width, and with three central black stripes each one-sixteenth of an inch wide and one-sixteenth of an inch apart.

Pages 23-26 contained the National Honours and Awards (Medal of Honour) (Fire Brigades) Regulations, 1970, now repealed and replaced by the National Honours and Awards (Medal of Honour) (Jamaica Fire Brigade) Regulations, 2000 (pages 41-42, 43).

THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS ACT

REGULATIONS
(under section 7)

THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS (BADGE OF HONOUR)
REGULATIONS, 1970

(Made by the Governor-General on the 16th day of October, 1970)

L.N. 3050/70
Vide:
L.N. 325A/71
Amdt.:
G.N. 164A/96
L.N. 54C/2000
Act
26/2002

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Honours and Awards (Badge of Honour) Regulations, 1970.

2. Badges of Honour may be awarded to civilian residents of Jamaica and to foreign nationals who are employed in Jamaican Diplomatic and Consular Missions overseas in the following three categories—

- (i) Gallantry
- (ii) Meritorious Service
- (iii) Long and Faithful Service.

3. For the purpose of these Regulations a person shall be deemed to be a resident of Jamaica if he was born in Jamaica or has been ordinarily resident in Jamaica for not less than ten years prior to the date of the award.

4. The Badge shall be of silver and circular in design bearing—

- (a) on the obverse the Coat of Arms, the word “Jamaica” and *Lignum Vitae* leaves and flowers around the border thereof;
- (b) on the reverse the words “For Gallantry”, “For Meritorious Service” or “For Long and Faithful Service”, as the case may be, together with the name of the recipient and the date of the award.

5. The name of every person to whom a Badge of Honour is awarded shall be published in the *Gazette* and a register of such names shall be kept by such person as the Governor-General may direct.

6. Each of the Badges mentioned in regulation 2 shall be worn on the left breast suspended by a ribbon which shall be of such description as shall be notified by the Governor-General in the *Gazette*.

7.—(1) Miniatures of the Badge of Honour may be worn when miniatures are worn.

(2) Every person to whom a Badge of Honour is awarded shall be entitled—

- (a) if awarded the Badge of Honour for Gallantry, to have the letters “B.H. (G)” placed after his name on all occasions when the use of such letters is customary;
- (b) if awarded the Badge of Honour for Meritorious Service, to have the letters “B.H. (M)” placed after his name on all occasions when the use of such letters is customary;
- (c) if awarded the Badge of Honour for Long and Faithful Service, to have the letters “B.H. (L)” placed after his name on all occasions when the use of such letters is customary.

8.—(1) The Badge of Honour for Gallantry may be awarded to persons who have performed acts of gallantry or acts of heroism or have shown great courage in circumstances of extreme danger.

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

9. The Badge of Honour for Meritorious Service may be awarded to persons who have rendered loyal and meritorious service beneficial to Jamaica.

10. The Badge of Honour for Long and Faithful Service may be awarded to persons who have rendered long and valuable service worthy of special recognition.

11. Badges of Honour shall be awarded by the Governor-General on the advice of the Prime Minister.

12. The Governor-General, on the advice of the Prime Minister, may by notification in the *Gazette*—

- (a) cancel the award of any person of the Badge of Honour for Meritorious Service or for Long and Faithful Service and thereupon the name of such person shall be erased from the list of persons to whom such Badges have been awarded and he shall forthwith return the Badge to such person as may be designated by the Governor-General to receive it;

(b) restore the Badge to any person who was deprived thereof.

13. Upon the death of any recipient of the Badge of Honour, the Badge which he held may be retained by his family

14. Any person who—

- (a) not having been awarded a Badge of Honour, wears that Badge 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 Badge; or
- (c) without lawful authority or excuse supplies or offers to supply such Badge to any person not authorized to wear it, shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction before a Resident Magistrate to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars and in default of payment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one month.

NOTE

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In accordance with the provisions of regulation 6 it is hereby notified that—

- (a) The Badge of Honour for Gallantry shall be worn with a ribbon one and a half inches in width in green with black borders of one-eighth of an inch, and centrally a gold stripe three-eighths of an inch in width divided in the centre by a red stripe one-eighth of an inch in width
- (b) The Badge of Honour for Meritorious Service shall be worn with a ribbon one and a half inches in width in green with black borders of one-eighth of an inch and centrally two gold stripes of one-eighth of an inch in width, one-eighth of an inch apart.
- (c) The Badge of Honour for Long and Faithful Service shall be worn with a ribbon one and a half inches in width in green with gold borders and a central black stripe, all one-eighth of an inch in width

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REGULATIONS
(under section 7)THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS (ORDER OF NATIONAL HERO)
REGULATIONS, 1970

(Made by the Governor-General on the 16th day of October, 1970)

L.N. 305H/70
Vide Act
26/2002

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Honours and Awards (Order of National Hero) Regulations, 1970.
2. The motto of the Order of National Hero (hereinafter referred to as "the Order") shall be "He built a city which hath foundations".
3. The seal of the Order shall bear the design of the insignia of the Order.
4. The Chancellor of the Order may from time to time by notification in the *Gazette* specify the occasions and the manner in which the insignia of the Order shall be worn.
5. The seal shall be kept in the custody of the Chancellor and shall be affixed to such instruments as the Chancellor may determine.
6. Members of the Order who are living shall be invested by the Governor-General with the insignia of the Order, but where the Governor-General thinks it necessary so to do he may by warrant sealed with the seal of the Order—
 - (a) authorize some distinguished person to perform in his name the ceremony of investiture; or
 - (b) permit the ceremony of investiture to be dispensed with.
7. In Jamaica a member of the Order shall wear the insignia of the Order in front of all other decorations.
8. When a member of the Order dies the insignia of the Order which he held may be retained by his family.

9. Any person who—

- (a) not being a member of the Order, wears the insignia of the Order or any other 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 insignia; or
- (c) without lawful authority or excuse supplies or offers to supply such insignia to any person not authorized to wear it,

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

THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS ACT

REGULATIONS
(under section 7)

THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS (MEDAL OF HONOUR)
(JAMAICA PRISONS SERVICE) REGULATIONS, 1970

(Made by the Governor-General on the 16th day of October, 1970)

L.N. 3051/70
Vide:
325A/71
Act
26/2002

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Honours and Awards (Medal of Honour) (Jamaica Prisons Service) Regulations, 1970.

2. There shall, as respects the Jamaica Prisons Service, be three medals namely—

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

3.—(1) Each of the medals mentioned in regulation 2 shall be a circular medal 1½ inches in diameter bearing on the obverse the Coat of Arms and the word "Jamaica", and on the reverse the badge of the Jamaica Prisons Service with the words "For Gallantry" or "For Meritorious Service" or "For Long Service and Good Conduct", as the case may be, and on the rim the name and rank of the person to whom it is awarded, the designation "J.P.S." and the date of the award.

(2) The Medal of Honour for Gallantry shall be of silver gilt.

(3) The Medal of Honour for Meritorious Service shall be of silver gilt for officers, and silver for other ranks.

(4) The Medal of Honour for Long Service and Good Conduct shall be of silver.

4.—(1) Each of the medals mentioned in regulation 2, and any bar added thereto, shall be awarded by the Governor-General in his discretion upon consideration of a report from the Director of Prisons.

(2) The name of any person to whom any medal or bar is so awarded shall be published in the *Gazette* and a register of the names

of such persons shall be kept by such person as the Governor-General may direct.

5. Each of the medals mentioned in regulation 2 shall be worn on the left breast suspended by a ribbon arrangement to be notified by the Governor-General in the *Gazette*.

6.—(1) The Medal of Honour for Gallantry may be awarded to officers and members of the Jamaica Prisons Service who have performed acts of gallantry or acts of heroism or have shown great courage in circumstances of extreme danger.

(2) An award of the Medal of Honour 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 bar may added for any further award for gallantry, and a rose on ribbon shall denote a bar.

(4) Every person to whom the Medal of Honour for Gallantry has been awarded shall be entitled to have the letters "M.G." placed after his name on all occasions when the use of such letters is customary.

7.—(1) The Medal of Honour for Meritorious Service may be awarded to officers and members of the Jamaica Prisons Service who have performed distinguished service or have displayed distinguished conduct or bravery.

(2) A bar may be added for any additional meritorious service, and a rose on ribbon shall denote a bar.

8.—(1) The Medal of Honour for Long Service and Good Conduct may be awarded to officers and members of the Jamaica Prisons Service who have completed twelve years' continuous service in the Jamaica Prisons Service and whose conduct and character have been exemplary:

Provided that breaks in service not exceeding six calendar months on any occasion shall not be regarded as breaking the continuity of such service.

(2) A bar may be added for each further period of six years' continuous service as aforesaid, and a rose on ribbon shall denote a bar.

9.—(1) The Governor-General may in his discretion upon consideration of a report from the Director of Prisons cancel the award to any person of the Medal of Honour or bar for Meritorious Service, or for Long Service and Good Conduct 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 bar to such person as may be designated by the Governor-General to receive it:

Provided that the Governor-General may in like manner restore any award so cancelled and thereupon his name shall be entered once more in 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 of Honour or bar shall in every case be published in the *Gazette* by the person keeping the register pursuant to paragraph (2) of regulation 4.

10. If a medal or bar is lost it may, on the recommendation of the Director of Prisons, be replaced at the expense of the recipient, unless the Governor-General relieves him of the requirement to pay.

11. Any person who—

- (a) not having been awarded a Medal of Honour, 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 authorized to wear it,
- shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction before a Resident Magistrate to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars and in default of payment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one month.

NOTE:

L.N. 325A/71

In accordance with the provisions of regulation 5, it is hereby notified that—

- (a) The Medal of Honour for Gallantry shall be worn with a ribbon one and a half inches in width in green with a central red stripe one-quarter of an inch in width and gold borders one-quarter of an inch in width each divided into two equal parts by a black stripe one-sixteenth of an inch wide.
- (b) The Medal of Honour for Meritorious Service shall be worn with a ribbon one and a half inches in width in green, with gold borders one-quarter of an inch in width each divided into two equal parts by a black stripe one-sixteenth of an inch wide.
- (c) The Medal of Honour for Long Service and Good Conduct shall be worn with a ribbon one and a half inches in width with seven stripes equal in width coloured from left to right gold, green, gold, black, gold, green and gold in that order.

THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS ACT

REGULATIONS (under section 7)

THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS (ORDER OF THE NATION) REGULATIONS, 1973

(Made by the Governor-General on the 26th day of June, 1973)

L.N. 263A/73
Vide
L.N. 109/75
Vide Act
26/2002.
(w.e.f. 26.6.73)

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Honours and Awards (Order of the Nation) Regulations, 1973.

2. The Order of the Nation (hereinafter referred to as the Order) shall consist of the members of the Order.

3. Subject to the provisions of regulation 16 every person upon whom has been conferred the honour of the Order shall be a member of the Order.

4. The Chancellor of the Order shall be the person from time to time holding the office of Chief Justice and he shall be responsible for the administration of the Order.

5. The Secretary-General of the Order shall be such person as the Chancellor shall designate; he shall maintain the records of the Order, arrange for investitures and perform such other functions in relation to the Order as the Chancellor may from time to time require him to perform.

6. The Chancellor may appoint such other officials for the Order as he thinks fit.

7. A person shall not be a member of the Order by reason only of the fact that he is an official of the Order.

8. The motto of the Order shall be "One nation under God".

9. The seal of the Order shall bear the design of the insignia of the Order which shall be of such description as may be notified by the Chancellor in the *Gazette*.

10.—(1) The seal shall be kept in the custody of the Chancellor and, subject to paragraph (2) of this regulation and regulation 13, shall be affixed to such instruments as the Chancellor may determine.

(2) The seal of the Order shall be affixed to the instrument issued to any person with respect to the conferment on such person of the honour of the Order or depriving such person of the honour.

11.—(1) The Chancellor, on the advice of the Prime Minister, may notify in the *Gazette* the conferment of the honour of the Order upon any Governor-General of Jamaica and thereafter the Chancellor shall issue to such person an appropriate instrument in writing and the date of the conferment of the honour shall be specified therein.

(2) The Chancellor, on the advice of the Governor-General, may notify in the *Gazette* the conferment of the honour of the Order upon any person who has been appointed as Prime Minister of Jamaica, not being a person upon whom the Order of National Hero has been conferred; and thereafter the Chancellor shall issue to such person an appropriate instrument in writing and the date of the conferment of the honour shall be specified therein.

12.—(1) The honour of the Order may be conferred posthumously.

(2) The honour of the Order may be conferred pursuant to regulation 11(2) with effect from such date as the Governor-General shall determine, not being earlier than the 1st of December, 1962.

13. Members of the Order who are living shall be invested by the Chancellor with the insignia of the Order, but where the Chancellor thinks it necessary so to do he may by warrant sealed with the seal of the Order—

- (a) authorize some distinguished person to perform in his name the ceremony of investiture; or
- (b) permit the ceremony of investiture to be dispensed with.

14.—(1) Every member of the Order shall be entitled—

- (a) to wear, as a decoration, the insignia of the Order,
- (b) to be styled “the Most Honourable” and the spouse of the member shall also be entitled to be so styled;
- (c) to have the letters “O.N.” placed after his name on all occasions when the use of such letters is customary.

(2) A member of the Order may wear a miniature replica of the insignia, which shall be not larger than one-half of the size of the insignia.

15. In Jamaica a member of the Order shall wear the insignia of the Order after the insignia of the Order of National Hero and in front of all other decorations.

16.—(1) A person shall cease to be a member of the Order—

- (a) upon his resignation from the Order, which shall have effect from the date on which such resignation in writing is accepted by the Chancellor, or
- (b) upon being deprived of the honour by the Chancellor acting upon the advice of the Prime Minister or the Governor-General, as the case may require.

(2) Where it appears to the Prime Minister or the Governor-General, as the case may require that there is cause to consider whether any person should be deprived of the honour of the Order, the Prime Minister or the Governor-General may ask the Chancellor to inquire into the matter and make recommendations to him.

(3) Where it appears to the Prime Minister or the Governor-General, as the case may require that there is cause to consider whether the honour of the Order should be restored to any person who has been deprived thereof, the Prime Minister or the Governor-General may ask the Chancellor to inquire into the matter and make recommendations to him.

(4) The Chancellor, on the advice of the Prime Minister or the Governor-General, as the case may require, may restore the honour of the Order to any person who was deprived thereof.

17.—(1) Where any person ceases to be a member of the Order by reason of his resignation or of his having been deprived of the honour, it shall be notified in the *Gazette* by the Secretary-General and his name shall be erased from the register and he shall forthwith return the insignia of the Order to the Secretary-General.

(2) Where the honour of the Order is restored to any person who had been deprived thereof, it shall be notified in the *Gazette* by the Secretary-General and his name shall be restored to the register.

(3) When a member of the Order dies the insignia of the Order which he holds may be retained by his family.

18. Any person who—

- (a) not being a member of the Order, wears the insignia of the Order or any other 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 insignia; or
- (c) without lawful authority or excuse supplies or offers to supply such insignia to any person not authorized to wear it,

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

L.N. 109/75

NOTE:

Description of Insignia

In accordance with regulation 9 it is hereby notified that the design of the Insignia of the Order of the Nation is as follows:

A silver twelve pointed breast star having between each point a gold pineapple and in the centre a circular gold badge containing the Arms of Jamaica in gold on red enamel surrounded by the motto of the Order "ONE NATION UNDER GOD" in gold letters on green enamel; it is worn with a 3.½ inch scarlet shoulder sash with a vertical green band on each side.

THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS ACT

REGULATIONS
(under section 7)

THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS (MEDAL OF HONOUR) (JAMAICA
FIRE BRIGADE) REGULATIONS, 2000

(Made by the Governor-General on the 1st day of June, 2000)

L.N. 54B/2000

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Honours and Awards (Medal of Honour) (Jamaica Fire Brigade) Regulations, 2000.

2. There shall, as respects the Jamaica Fire Brigade, be three medals, namely—

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

3.—(1) Each of the medals mentioned in regulation 2 shall be a circular medal 1½ inches in diameter, bearing on the obverse the Coat of Arms and the word “Jamaica”, on the reverse an emblematic design consisting of a firefighter’s helmet and crossed axes superimposed on a laurel wreath, with the words “For Gallantry” or “For Meritorious Service” or “For Long Service and Good Conduct”, as the case may be, and on the rim the name and rank of the person to whom it is awarded, the designation “JFB” and the date of the award.

(2) The Medal of Honour for Gallantry shall be of silver gilt.

(3) The Medal of Honour for Meritorious Service shall be of silver gilt for officers, and silver for all other members of the Jamaica Fire Brigade.

(4) The Medal of Honour for Long Service and Good Conduct shall be of silver.

4.—(1) Each of the medals mentioned in regulation 2, and any bar added thereto, shall be awarded by the Governor-General in his discretion upon consideration of a report from the Commissioner of the Jamaica Fire Brigade.

(2) The name of a person to whom any medal or bar is so awarded

shall be published in the *Gazette* and a register of the names of such persons shall be kept by such person as the Governor-General may direct.

5. Each of the medals mentioned in regulation 2 shall be worn on the left breast suspended by a ribbon arrangement to be notified by the Governor-General in the *Gazette*.

6.—(1) The Medal of Honour for Gallantry may be awarded to members of the Jamaica Fire Brigade who have performed acts of gallantry or acts of heroism or have shown great courage in circumstances of extreme danger.

(2) An award of the Medal of Honour 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 bar may be added for any further award for Gallantry, and a rose on ribbon shall denote a bar.

(4) Every person to whom the Medal of Honour for Gallantry has been awarded shall be entitled to have the letters "M.G." placed after his name on all occasions when the use of such letters is customary.

7.—(1) The Medal of Honour for Meritorious Service may be awarded to members of the Jamaica Fire Brigade who have performed distinguished service or have displayed distinguished conduct or bravery.

(2) A bar may be added for any additional meritorious service, and a rose on ribbon shall denote a bar.

8.—(1) The Medal of Honour for Long Service and Good Conduct may be awarded to sub-officers and firefighters of the Jamaica Fire Brigade that have completed eighteen years' continuous service in that capacity, and whose conduct and character have been exemplary:

Provided that breaks in service not exceeding six calendar months on any occasion shall not be regarded as breaking the continuity of such service.

(2) A bar may be added for each further period of six years' continuous service as aforesaid, and a rose on ribbon shall denote a bar.

9.—(1) The Governor-General may in his discretion upon consideration of a report from the Commissioner of the Jamaica Fire Brigade cancel the award to any person of the Medal of Honour or bar for Meritorious Service, or for Long Service and Good Conduct, 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 bar to such person as may be designated by the Governor-General to receive it:

Provided that the Governor-General may in like manner restore any

award so cancelled, and thereupon his name shall be entered once more in the register referred to in paragraph (2) of regulation 4.

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

10. If a medal or bar is lost it may, on a recommendation made by the Commissioner of the Jamaica Fire Brigade under paragraph (1) of regulation 4, be replaced at the expense of the recipient unless the Governor-General relieves him of the requirement to pay.

11. Any person who—

- (a) not having been awarded a Medal of Honour, 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 authorized to wear it,

shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction before a Resident Magistrate to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars and in default of payment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months.

NOTE:

In accordance with the provisions of regulation 5 it is hereby notified that—

- (a) The Medal of Honour for Gallantry shall be worn with a ribbon one and a half inches in width with one central red stripe one-quarter of an inch in width and green borders of the same width. On each side of the red stripe are gold stripes one quarter of an inch in width which are separated from the green borders by black stripes one-eighth of an inch wide.
- (b) The Medal of Honour for Meritorious Service shall be worn with a ribbon one and a half inches in width with one central stripe in gold three-quarters of an inch in width and green borders one-quarter of an inch wide. The gold stripe and the green borders are separated by stripes one-eighth of an inch wide.
- (c) The Medal of Honour for Long Service and Good Conduct shall be worn with a ribbon one and a half inches in width with a central green stripe, black borders, and gold stripes between the green stripes, all five stripes being equal in width.

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(under section 7)THE NATIONAL HONOURS AND AWARDS (ORDER OF EXCELLENCE)
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1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Honours and Awards (Order of Excellence) Regulations, 2002.

2. The Order of Excellence (hereinafter referred to as the Order) shall consist of members of the Order.

3. The Order shall be conferred upon the advice of the Prime Minister.

4. Subject to regulation 16, every person upon whom has been conferred the honour of the Order shall be a member of the Order.

5. The Governor-General shall be the Chancellor of the Order and shall, as holder of his office as Chancellor, be responsible for the administration of the Order.

6. The Secretary-General of the Order shall be such person as the Chancellor shall designate; he shall maintain the records of the Order, arrange for investitures and perform such other functions in relation to the Order as the Chancellor may from time to time require him to perform.

7. The Chancellor may appoint such other officials for the Order as he thinks fit.

8. The motto of the Order shall be "Excellence through Service".

9. The seal of the Order shall bear the design of the insignia of the Order which shall be of such description as may be notified by the Chancellor in the *Gazette*.

10. The Chancellor may from time to time by notification in the *Gazette* specify the occasions and the manner in which the insignia of the Order shall be worn.

11.—(1) The seal shall be kept in the custody of the Chancellor and, subject to paragraph (2) of this regulation and regulation 14, shall be affixed to such instruments as the Chancellor may determine.

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(2) The seal of the Order shall be affixed to the instrument issued to any person with respect to the conferment on such person of the honour of the Order or depriving such person of the honour.

12. The Chancellor, on the advice of the Prime Minister, may notify in the *Gazette* the conferment of the honour of the Order upon—

- (a) any foreign Head of State or foreign Head of Government; and
- (b) any foreign former Head of State or foreign former Head of Government,

and thereafter the Chancellor shall issue to such person an appropriate instrument in writing and the date of the conferment of the honour shall be specified therein.

13. Members of the Order shall be invested by the Chancellor with the insignia of the Order, but where the Chancellor thinks it necessary so to do he may by warrant sealed with the seal of the Order—

- (a) authorize some distinguished person to perform in his name the ceremony of investiture; or
- (b) permit the ceremony of investiture to be dispensed with.

14.—(1) Every member of the Order shall be entitled—

- (a) to wear, as a decoration, the insignia of the Order;
- (b) to be styled “the Most Honourable”;
- (c) to have the letters “O.E.” placed after his name on all occasions when the use of such letters is customary.

(2) A member of the Order may wear a miniature replica of the insignia, which shall be not larger than one-half of the size of the insignia.

15. In Jamaica a member of the Order shall wear the insignia of the Order in front of the insignia of all the Jamaican Orders and decorations.

16.—(1) A person shall cease to be a member of the Order—

- (a) upon his resignation from the Order, which shall have effect from the date on which such resignation in writing is accepted by the Chancellor; or
- (b) upon being deprived of the honour by the Chancellor, acting upon the advice of the Prime Minister.

(2) Where it appears to the Prime Minister that there is cause to consider whether any person should be deprived of the honour of the Order, the Prime Minister may ask the Advisory Committee established under

section 5 of the Act to inquire into the matter and make recommendations to him.

(3) The Chancellor, on the advice of the Prime Minister, may restore the honour of the Order to any person who is deprived thereof.

17.—(1) Where any person ceases to be a member of the Order by reason of his resignation or of his having been deprived of the honour, it shall be notified in the *Gazette* by the Secretary-General and his name shall be erased from the register and he shall forthwith return the insignia of the Order to the Secretary-General.

(2) Where a member of the Order dies, the insignia of the Order which he held may be retained by his family.

18. Any person who—

- (a) not being a member of the Order, wears the insignia of the Order or any other 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 insignia; or
- (c) without lawful authority or excuse supplies or offers to supply such insignia to any person not authorized to wear it,

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