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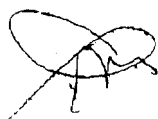
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### REGULATIONS FOR MUNICIPAL (METROPOLITAN) POLICE SERVICES

The Minister for Safety and Security has made the regulations in the Schedule under section 64P(1) of the South African Police Service Act, 1995 (Act No. 68 of 1995).



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**Minister for Safety and Security**

#### SCHEDULE

#### REGULATIONS FOR MUNICIPAL (METROPOLITAN) POLICE SERVICES REGARDING MEDALS AND DECORATIONS

**1. Wearing of decorations and medals**

- (1) Decorations, medals, bars, clasps and ribbons, including any miniature reproduction thereof, must be worn with due regard to the provisions of the Warrants in terms of which they have been instituted.
- (2) The Executive Head of a municipal (metropolitan) police service may determine the occasions at and the circumstances in which a decoration, medal, bar and clasp, as well as any miniature reproduction thereof, may be worn.

- (3) A decoration, medal, bar, clasp or ribbon, including any miniature reproduction thereof, may be worn only by a person to whom it has been awarded.

**2. Certificate of award and undertaking by recipient**

- (1) The Executive Head of a municipal (metropolitan) police service or an officer designated by him or her, must issue a certificate of award in respect of each decoration or medal awarded.
- (2) Except in the case of a posthumous award, the Executive Head of a municipal (metropolitan) police service may require from any person to whom a decoration or medal has been awarded, to give a written undertaking that he or she will —
  - (a) not, at any time, give away, throw away, sell, pledge, barter or in any way other than by bequest, alienate such decoration, medal, bar, clasp or ribbon, including any miniature reproduction thereof, or the certificate of award in respect of such decoration or medal;
  - (b) immediately report the loss thereof to the Executive Head of a municipal (metropolitan) police service in writing; and
  - (c) immediately return to the Executive Head of a municipal (metropolitan) police service any such decoration or medal and the bar, clasp or ribbon, including any miniature reproduction thereof as well as the certificate of award in respect thereof which, in terms of these Regulations, have been cancelled, annulled or declared forfeited.

### **3. Presentation of decorations and medals**

- (1) A decoration, medal, bar, clasp or ribbon, including any miniature reproduction thereof, or the certificate of award in respect of such decoration or medal shall, if at all possible, be presented —
  - (a) to the person on whom it is conferred himself or herself, and in the case of a posthumous conferment, to the next-of-kin, other relative or legal heir of the deceased person, as the Executive Head of a municipal (metropolitan) police service may decide; and
  - (b) on parade or at a special gathering.

### **4. Forfeiture**

- (1) The Mayor of a municipal (metropolitan) council, upon the recommendation of the Executive Head of a municipal (metropolitan) police service, may cancel or annul the awarding of a decoration or medal and declare that it is forfeited, if the person to whom it was awarded —
  - (a) deserts from a municipal (metropolitan) police service, or is discharged therefrom on account of misconduct; or
  - (b) is convicted of any crime contemplated in Schedule 1 of the Criminal Procedure Act, 1977 (Act No. 51 of 1977).
- (2) The cancellation or annulment and forfeiture of a decoration or medal in terms of subregulation (1) also means the forfeiture of any bar, clasp or miniature reproduction thereof, as well as any certificate of award.
- (3) If a decoration or medal has been cancelled or annulled and declared forfeited, the person to whom it was awarded must forthwith return to the Executive Head of a municipal (metropolitan) police service the decoration or medal and the bar, clasp or ribbon, including any miniature

reproduction thereof, as well as the certificate of award in respect of such decoration or medal.

- (4) Any person whose decoration or medal was cancelled or annulled and declared forfeited in terms of this regulation, may make written representations to the Mayor of the municipal (metropolitan) council for the restoration of the forfeited decoration or medal.
- (5) The Mayor of the municipal (metropolitan) council may restore the awarding of a decoration or medal if, after consideration of the written representations contemplated in subregulation (4), he or she is satisfied that the restoration of the decoration or medal that was cancelled or annulled and declared forfeited, will not bring the said decoration or medal in disrepute.
- (6) If the Mayor of the municipal (metropolitan) council has restored a decoration or medal as provided for in subregulation (5), the decoration or medal and any bar, clasp or ribbon relating thereto, including any miniature reproduction thereof, and the certificate of award in respect of such decoration or medal, must be returned to the person to whom it was awarded.

**5. Record keeping regarding the awarding and forfeiture of medals and decorations**

- (1) The Executive Head of a municipal (metropolitan) police service or an officer designated by him or her, must ensure that a copy of the certificate of award in respect of each decoration or medal which was awarded to a person in terms of regulation 2 above, is forwarded to the office of the National Commissioner for purposes of filing such certificate of award and making an entry in a register for the awarding of medals and decorations by municipal (metropolitan) police services for record keeping purposes.

- (2) If a medal or decoration has been cancelled, annulled or declared forfeited in terms of these Regulations, the Executive Head of a municipal (metropolitan) police service must inform the National Commissioner accordingly to ensure that an appropriate entry be made in the register referred to in subparagraph (1) above that reflects that the medal or decoration has been cancelled, annulled or declared forfeited.

## **6. Theft, loss, destruction or damage**

- (1) The person to whom a decoration or medal was awarded must forthwith report to the Executive Head of a municipal (metropolitan) police service the theft, loss or destruction of or damage to a decoration, medal, bar, clasp or ribbon, including any miniature reproduction thereof, or the certificate of award in respect of such decoration or medal.
- (2) The Executive Head of a municipal (metropolitan) police service may authorize the replacement of a decoration, medal, bar, clasp or ribbon, including any miniature reproduction thereof, or the certificate of award in respect of such decoration or medal, if he or she is satisfied that it has been stolen, lost, destroyed or damaged.
- (3) The Executive Head of a municipal (metropolitan) police service shall decide whether the replacement of a decoration, medal, bar, clasp or ribbon, or the certificate of award in respect of such decoration or medal, which has been stolen, lost, destroyed or damaged, shall be issued at the expense of the recipient, or at the expense of the municipality concerned: Provided that, a miniature reproduction of a decoration, medal, bar, clasp or ribbon shall be issued only at the expense of the recipient.

**7. Specimens for museums**

A specimen of a decoration, medal, bar, clasp or ribbon, including any miniature reproduction thereof, may be made available to recognized museums or similar institutions with the written approval of all the Executive Heads of the various municipal (metropolitan) police services.

**8. Short title**

These Regulations shall be known as the Regulations for Municipal (Metropolitan) Police Services regarding Medals and Decorations, 2007.