

AWARDS FOR GALLANTRY AND MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

In addition to service awards SCOUTS New Zealand recognises youth and adults with high character, devotion to duty, great courage, endurance or gallantry.



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Awards for Gallantry or Meritorious Conduct are granted by the National Awards Committee, with the certificates signed by the Chief Scout of New Zealand. Those eligible can include any Youth Members, Adult Leaders, persons holding non-warranted and honorary ranks, and also to Groups in cases of joint action on the recommendation of the Zone and Regional Leader

Awards for Gallantry are granted for acts of gallantry where there has been considerable risk and in those circumstances where there has been special heroism or extraordinary risk most probably involving loss of life

Awards for Meritorious Conduct are granted in those circumstances which may not have involved risk of life, but where courage, endurance, initiative or devotion to duty have been displayed and often under suffering

The following awards are granted:

Bronze Cross - Red Ribbon.

The highest possible award for gallantry, granted only for special heroism or extraordinary risk

Silver Cross - Blue ribbon.

For gallantry with considerable risk

Gilt Cross - Blue and red ribbon.

For gallantry with moderate risk

Meritorious Conduct Medal

For displaying good qualities of courage, endurance and initiative

Bars to the above Crosses and Medal may be granted for additional acts of gallantry or Meritorious Conduct

Chief Scouts Commendation.

Issued at the discretion of the National Commissioner to acknowledge the risks involved in the particular circumstance but where the conduct does not qualify for a Meritorious Conduct Award

Method of Wear: Crosses are worn on the right breast, except where awarded to a Group jointly, in which case the Cross may be pinned to the Group flag.