

Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal

The Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal was issued by the Government of the Republic of Vietnam for service in the prescribed area of operations in Vietnam during the period commencing on 31 July 1962 and ending on 27 January 1973 for Australian personnel.

The Medal

The medal is a gold and white enamelled star with a green, red and gold centre motif.

The Ribbon

The ribbon is green with three white stripes. A ribbon device bearing the inscription '1960 - ' is worn on the medal ribbon. A smaller device with the inscription '60-' is worn on the ribbon bar.

Eligibility

The Australian government maintained the basic qualifying criteria specified by the Republic of Vietnam for allied troops. To be eligible for the medal a person must have completed a minimum period of 181 days, either continuous or aggregated, unless:

- killed on active service (KIA);
- wounded in action i.e. classified as a Battle Casualty and evacuated as a result of those wounds; or
- captured and later released or escaped.

Note that medical evacuation from the area of operations for any reasons other than wounds received in action does not constitute an exemption from meeting the minimum qualifying period.

