



POLICY 13.17

THE ARMY CADET LEAGUE OF CANADA VOLUNTEER SERVICE MEDAL (VSM)

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INTRODUCTION

1. The Army Cadet League of Canada (ACLC) has created an award to recognize continuous and meritorious service of deserving ACLC members.

AUTHORITY

2. Approving authority for the medal is The Army Cadet League of Canada.

ELIGIBILITY

3. This medal shall be awarded to national or provincial / territorial members or volunteers on the recommendation of the National President or the President of an ACLC Branch.
4. To qualify for this award, a volunteer must have successfully completed a minimum five (5) continuous years of meritorious service with the Army Cadet Movement and be recommend by the Branch or the National level where the member has served. An accompanying certificate and special lapel pin shall also be awarded. The distinctive silver lapel pin shall be the badge of the ACLC surmounting an overlaid silver numeral graduated in increments of five (ie: 5, 10, 15, etc.) which show the number of cumulative years of service by the recipient and further described below (image). After thirty-five years, no further pin will be issued, however a semi-precious stone will be added to the thirty and thirty-five year pin.
5. All members or Volunteers, past or future shall be eligible to receive the award.
6. A break in service in the aggregate of six (6) months or less will not disqualify a recipient from receiving the award. Only service with the Army Cadet movement shall qualify for eligibility. Service with other Canadian cadet movements shall not be considered a break in the qualifying time for the award but may not be counted as qualifying service.

DESIGN/WEARING

7. The medal design is as follows:
 - Round medal in gold, 35mm in diameter.
 - Obverse side: Badge of the Royal Canadian Army Cadets, above the badge the words "BÉNÉVOLE – VOLUNTEER ", below the badge the words "SERVICE"
 - The reverse of the medal shall be flat blank where the recipient's name, date of qualification and a control/serial number shall be engraved.



- The ribbon border striping is the primary colours of The Royal Canadian Army Cadets (green/red) with a gold central stripe depicting The Army Cadet League of Canada.

ADMINISTRATION

8. The Volunteer Service Medal award process will be initiated by using the application attached at Annex "A", forwarded to the Provincial President for recommendation thence to the National Office for final approval by the National Executive Committee (EC). In the case of a National member, nominations shall be forwarded to the National Office directly for approval of the EC. Upon approval, the National Office shall have the medal engraved with the Name, date of issue and a control/serial number. The accompanying certificate shall be signed by the National President.
9. A list of recipients shall be maintained at the National Office which shall show the Name, date of issue, control/serial number and the member's Branch.
10. All costs of the issue of the initial medal, the certificate and the lapel pins shall be assumed by the National Office.
11. Replacement medals and pins may be issued to an individual, at the current cost price.

PRESENTATION

12. Presentation of the award shall be made at a suitable ceremony by a senior representative of The Army Cadet League of Canada as may be arranged by the National Office, the Provincial/Territorial Branch or with a Cadet Corps.

DISPUTES

13. Disputes shall be mediated by the National Executive Committee of the ACLC, whose decision shall be final and binding.



*Volunteer Service Medal
The Army Cadet League of Canada*



Lapel Pin (Silver)



**Jewelstone
(35 yrs - Final pin
issued)**



APPLICATION FOR THE VOLUNTEER SERVICE MEDAL
THE ARMY CADET LEAGUE OF CANADA

To qualify for this award, a volunteer or member must have successfully completed five (5) continuous years of meritorious service with The ACLC and be recommend by the Branch or the National level where the member is serving. An accompanying certificate and special lapel pin shall also be awarded. Details may be found in the main document of ACLC Policy 13-17.

Volunteer Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____ Email: _____

Branch/Corps #: _____ Date joined: _____ # Years Served: _____

RECOMMENDATION:

This certifies that the above volunteer has completed the qualifying period of honourable service for The Army Cadet League of Canada in accordance with ACLC Policy 13-17 and is recommended for the "Volunteer Service Medal" in recognition of the following:

Nominated by:

Approved:

Authorized:

Sponsoring Committee Chair

Branch President

For: The National Executive Committee

Date: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Shipping
Address:
(Medal)

