

C.S.

Medals
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SUBJECT.

1920

20 April

Previous Paper.

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Issue of War Medals to the
Merchant Seaman.

MINUTES.

H. E/

With reference to Paragraph 5 of the Dispatch, though the local steamer "Falkland" made trips to Punta Arenas and Monte Video within the period mentioned I think her service might be regarded as purely coastal so far as the intention of the dispatch is concerned.

A notice might be published in the Gazette inviting those who consider themselves entitled to the award of either of these medals to make their claims through the ~~Office~~ the Shipping Office. Draft Notice submitted.

Apr 13
for C.S.
6/9/20.

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Notice approved.

Subsequent Paper.

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Wm
9.9.20

Shipping Master

To note. Copy of notice for forwarding
in Shipping Office

589/20

781/20

Noted. *Am* 15.10.20.

for C.S.
20/10/20

WAR MEDALS

Granted by H. M. THE KING

to the

MERCANTILE MARINE, LICENSED PILOTS
FISHERMEN, AND CREWS OF PILOTAGE
AND LIGHTHOUSE AUTHORITIES' VESSELS.

1. THE BRITISH WAR MEDAL will be granted to applicants who have served at sea for six months between 4th August, 1914 and 11th November, 1918, inclusive.

2. THE MERCANTILE MARINE WAR MEDAL will also be granted to applicants who, during the period of six months referred to above, have served at sea on a voyage through the danger zone, i.e. on a ship which has entered or cleared a United Kingdom, French, or Mediterranean port.

3. Applications must be made on the forms which are provided in Mercantile Marine Offices and Offices of Pilotage and Lighthouse Authorities.

4. At present only medal riband will be distributed; the medals will not be ready for a considerable time.

5. Board of Trade officers have instructions not to pass more than a certain number of applications each day. These applications will be dealt with, and the riband distributed, as quickly as possible. Less delay will be caused by this method than by allowing numbers of applications to accumulate which cannot be dealt with immediately.

6. It is an offence for any unauthorised person to wear the ribands and medals.

Board of Trade,
Marine Department,

April, 1919.

W.M. 2.

AUTHORITY TO WEAR WAR MEDALS FOR THE MERCANTILE MARINE,

Awarded by H.M. The King
through the Board of Trade.



ISSUED BY THE BOARD OF TRADE. (Dis. A No.....R.S. 2 No.....) is authorised to wear the undermentioned medals and ribbons against which the signature of a Board of Trade officer and an official stamp have been affixed.

Marine Dept.,
Board of Trade.

C. HIPWOOD,
Assistant Secretary.

	Authorised.	Signature of Superintendent of issuing M.M.O. with office stamp.
British War Medal ribbon.....		
Mercantile Marine Medal ribbon.....		
British War Medal (and clasp).....		
Mercantile Marine Medal.....		

(545ys) (64851) Wt. 6984/1087 100,000 5-19 W B & L

Signature of holder

NOTE

to the holder of this Authority.

When public notice is given that the medals are ready for issue, you should hand in this Authority at a Mercantile Marine office and should ask for the issue to you of one or both of the medals. This authority will then be completed overleaf by the Board of Trade official, and returned to you.

It is important that this Authority should not be lost. It should be kept in your Dis. A.

British War Medal Ribbon

———— Issued to ————

The Mercantile Marine.

This ribbon must be worn on the
left breast.

When worn with the Mercantile
Marine War Medal Ribbon it must
be next to the *Green* strip (that is :
the Mercantile Marine War Medal
Ribbon must be the nearer to the
left arm.)

NOTE: No person may wear this
ribbon without official
authority.

Mercantile Marine War Medal Ribbon.

THIS RIBBON MUST BE WORN
ON THE LEFT BREAST WITH
THE RED STRIP NEAREST TO
— THE LEFT ARM. —

NOTE.—No person may wear or supply this ribbon
without Board of Trade authority.

DRAFT.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands,
6th September, 1920.

The Administrator directs the publication for general information ^{of} the following order by the Board of Trade relative to the issue of the BRITISH WAR MEDAL and the MERCANTILE MARINE WAR MEDAL to persons now resident in the Colony:

ORDER.

Crews of Vessels which were engaged in purely coastal trade within the period mentioned are not entitled to either of these awards.

All applications should be made through the Shipping Master at an early date.

By Command,

for Colonial Secretary.

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