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## **NEW BUSH FIRE BRIGADE MEDAL**

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The Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) bestows honours and awards to recognise DFES personnel and volunteers who have given their time to serve the community.

With the recent establishment of the Rural Fire Division, DFES has implemented a new Ten Year Bush Fire Brigade Medal, and five year clasps thereafter, to recognise the length of service and dedication of Bush Fire Service volunteers.



This is an important initiative to bring Bush Fire Brigades in line with the other volunteer services who receive a ten year medal. DFES has consulted with the Association of Volunteer Bush Fire Brigades WA to collaborate on the medal design.

Recipients of the Ten Year Bush Fire Brigade Medal must be a registered and active member, or support member, of a Bush Fire Brigade. The Medal recognises service with the Bush Fire Service on a regular basis and is awarded to serving Bush Fire Brigade members who meet the eligibility criteria.

The Ten Year Bush Fire Brigade Medal will replace the Ten Year Bush Fire Medallion. Registered Bush Fire Brigade volunteers who have previously received a Ten Year Bush Fire Medallion will automatically be issued the new medal via their regional office.

Bush Fire Brigade volunteers can now apply for the medal via the DFES Reward and Recognition System. For further information contact Rewards and Recognition via email [rewards@dfes.wa.gov.au](mailto:rewards@dfes.wa.gov.au) or phone on 9395 9732.

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