

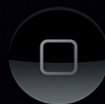


## Recognising Contribution & Service

Within any organisation or group it is important to give thanks and recognise those who have made a significant contribution and service.

For Freemasons there are a number of alternatives to recognise the service of our members:

- Certificate of Merit – These are available from your Dist GM and can be awarded, with the approval of the Dist GM, to any Freemason who has given meritorious service.
- Certificate of Appreciation and Badge – These are available from your Dist GM and can be awarded, with the approval of the Dist GM, to any non-Freemason such as a wife or partner who has given extraordinary service to the lodge.
- Charity Jewels – These special jewels were established in 2013. Refer to the Tool 'Present A Freemasons Jewel'.
- Special Officers jewels – some Lodges in years gone-by have commissioned special officers jewels to recognise extra-long service (e.g. 15 years or more) in a role such as a Secretary, Treasurer, Almoner etc. These are simply a small replica of the insignia of the office hung from a light blue ribbon and need to be arranged by the Lodge direct with a medallic supplier.
- Roll of Honour – This is for a brother who has rendered meritorious service to the Craft. The Lodge can make a nomination when these are called for by the Grand Secretary. Refer to the Book of Constitution Rule 174 for details.
- Services badges - There are two awards for service which brethren in good Masonic standing are eligible for on application by their Lodge:
  - Twenty Five Year Service Badge - able to be worn in Lodge and in public. Refer to Book of Constitution Rule 175 a.
  - Fifty Year Service Badge – able to be worn in Lodge with a miniature available for wearing in public. Refer to Book of Constitution Rule 175 b. Subsequent 10 year periods may be acknowledged by the award of a suitable bar.



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