

§ 578.46 European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal.

Established by Executive Order 9265 (3 CFR, 1943 Cum. Supp.).

(a) *Description.* A medal of bronze 1¼ inches in diameter. On the obverse an LST landing craft and troops landing under fire with an airplane in background below the words "European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign." The reverse is the same as that of the American Campaign Medal. The medal is suspended by a ring from a silk moire ribbon 1¾ inches in length and 1¾ inches in width composed of a brown stripe (¾ inch), green stripe (¼ inch), white stripe (¼ inch), red stripe (¼ inch), green stripe (¼ inch), blue stripe (¼ inch), white stripe (¼ inch), red stripe (¼ inch), green stripe (¼ inch), white stripe (¼ inch), black stripe (¼ inch), white stripe (¼ inch), and brown stripe (¾ inch).

(b) *Requirements.* Service within the European-African-Middle Eastern Theater between December 7, 1941, and November 8, 1945, under any of the following conditions:

- (1) On permanent assignment.
- (2) In a passenger status or on temporary duty for 30 consecutive days or 60 days not consecutive.
- (3) In active combat against the enemy and was awarded a combat decoration or furnished a certificate by the commanding general of a corps, higher unit, or independent force that he actually participated in combat.

(c) *Boundaries of the European-African-Middle Eastern Theater*—(1) *Eastern boundary.* Coincident with the western boundary of the Asiatic-Pacific Theater (§ 578.45(c)(2)).

(2) *Western boundary.* Coincident with the eastern boundary of the American Theater (§ 578.44(c)(1)).

(d) *Service star*—(1) *Description.* See § 578.40(d)(2).

(2) *Requirements.* Service within the European-African-Middle Eastern Theater, one bronze service star for each campaign (AR 260-15). The individual must meet any of the following conditions:

- (i) Assigned, or attached, to and present for duty with a unit during the period in which it participated in combat.

(ii) Under orders in the combat zone and in addition meets any of the following requirements:

- (a) Awarded a combat decoration.
- (b) Furnished a certificate by a commanding general of a corps, higher unit, or independent force that he actually participated in combat.
- (c) Served at a normal post of duty (as contrasted to occupying the status of an inspector, observer, or visitor).
- (d) Aboard a vessel other than in a passenger status and furnished a certificate by the home port commander of the vessel that he served in the combat zone.

(iii) Was an evadee or escapee in the combat zone or recovered from a prisoner of war status in the combat zone during the time limitations of the campaign. Prisoners of war will not be accorded credit for the time spent in confinement or while otherwise in restraint under enemy control.

(e) *Arrowhead*—(1) *Description.* See § 578.45(e)(1).

(2) *Requirements.* See § 578.45 (e) (2).

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§ 578.47 World War II Victory Medal.

Established by Act July 6, 1945 (59 Stat. 461; 10 U.S.C. 1430c).

(a) *Description.* The medal of bronze is 36 millimeters in diameter. On the obverse is a figure of Liberation standing full length with head turned to dexter looking to the dawn of a new day, right foot resting on a war god's helmet with the hilt of a broken sword in the right hand and the broken blade in the left hand, the inscription "World War II" horizontally placed immediately below center. On the reverse are the inscriptions "Freedom from fear and want" and "Freedom of speech and religion" separated by a palm branch, all within a circle composed of the words "United States of America—1941-1945." The medal is suspended by a ring from a silk moire ribbon 1¾ inches in length and 1¾ inches in width composed of a double rainbow in juxtaposition (¾ inch), white stripe (¼ inch), red band (¼ inch), white stripe (¼ inch), and double rainbow in juxtaposition (¾ inch).