

# POLICE AWARDS AND MEDALS

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1.	<b>Governor General Awards</b>				
1.	Order of Merit of the Police Forces	GG	April 15 <sup>th</sup> – September 15 <sup>th</sup>	Established in October 2000, the Order of Merit of the Police Forces honours the leadership and exceptional service or distinctive merit displayed by the men and women of the Canadian police services, and recognizes their commitment to this country. The primary focus is on exceptional merit, contributions to policing and community development. Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II is the Order's Sovereign, the Governor General is its chancellor and a Commander, and the Commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police is its Principal Commander.	-Nominations received by CACP. Regional Committee Review – Oct – Nov. 15 <sup>th</sup> .  National Advisory Committee review – January.  Principal Commanders review – February.  GG approval – February.  Investiture, Spring and Fall.  <a href="https://www.cacp.ca/order-of-merit.html#66">https://www.cacp.ca/order-of-merit.html#66</a>
1.a	Commander (C.O.M.)	GG	April 15 <sup>th</sup> – September 15 <sup>th</sup>	Recognizes outstanding meritorious service and demonstrated leadership in duties of great responsibility over an extended period, usually at the national or international level.	Nominations received by CACP  Regional Committee Review – Oct – Nov. 15 <sup>th</sup> .  National Advisory Committee review – January.  Principal Commanders review – February.  GG approval – February.  Investiture, Spring and Fall.  <a href="https://www.cacp.ca/order-of-merit.html#66">https://www.cacp.ca/order-of-merit.html#66</a>

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1.b	Officer (O.O.M)	GG	April 15 <sup>th</sup> – September 15 <sup>th</sup>	Recognizes outstanding meritorious service in duties of responsibility over an extended period, usually at the regional or provincial level.	<p>Nominations received by CACP Regional Committee Review – Oct – Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> .</p> <p>National Advisory Committee review – January.</p> <p>Principal Commanders review – February.</p> <p>GG approval – February.</p> <p>Investiture, Spring and Fall.  <a href="https://www.cacp.ca/order-of-merit.html#66">https://www.cacp.ca/order-of-merit.html#66</a></p>
1.c	Member (M.O.M)	GG	April 15 <sup>th</sup> – September 15 <sup>th</sup>	Recognizes exceptional service or performance of duty over an extended period, usually at the local or regional/provincial level.	<p>Nominations received by CACP Regional Committee Review – Oct – Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> .</p> <p>National Advisory Committee review – January.</p> <p>Principal Commanders review – February.</p> <p>GG approval – February.</p> <p>Investiture, Spring and Fall.  <a href="https://www.cacp.ca/order-of-merit.html#66">https://www.cacp.ca/order-of-merit.html#66</a></p>
2	Canadian Bravery Decorations:	GG	Anytime	Created in 1972, the Canadian Bravery Decorations symbolically express the nation’s gratitude to those people who defy the instinct for self-preservation and risk their lives	<p>Nominations received by GG’s office</p> <p>Incident within two years of nomination.</p>

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				to save or protect others. As no two incidents in which bravery is exhibited are the same in all respects, and all such incidents are conditioned by the circumstances under which they are performed, the three decorations were created to reflect the hazards encountered in widely differing situations.	Investigation by RCMP
2.a	The Cross of Valour (C.V)	GG	Anytime	Is awarded 'for acts of the most conspicuous courage in circumstances of extreme peril'. – Life at 'risk'.	Nominations received by GG's office
2.b	The Star of Courage (S.C)	GG	Anytime	Is awarded 'for acts of conspicuous courage in circumstances of great peril'.	Nominations received by GG's office
2.c	The Medal of Bravery (M.B)	GG	Anytime	Is awarded 'for acts of bravery in hazardous circumstances'.	Nominations received by GG's office
3.	Meritorious Service Decorations	GG	Anytime	<p>Created by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, the Meritorious Service Decorations celebrate Canadians who have performed an exceptional deed or activity that brings honour to Canada. The decorations are separated into military and civil divisions, with two levels each: a cross and a medal.</p> <p>The <b>Civil Division</b> recognizes remarkable contributions in many different fields of endeavour, from advocacy initiatives and health care services to research and humanitarian efforts. The contributions can be innovative, set an example for others to follow, or improve the quality of life of a community.</p>	<p>Nominations received by GG's office</p> <p>*<u>Military Division</u>: Military Personnel only.</p> <p>*<u>Civil Division</u>: Meritorious Service Cross or Meritorious Service Medal *Civil 'deed' or 'activity' *Performed in a highly professional manner/innovative.</p>
4.	Sovereign's Medal for Volunteers within Police Services	GG	Anytime	The Sovereign's Medal for Volunteers recognizes the exceptional volunteer achievements of Canadians from across the country in a wide range of fields. As an official Canadian honour, the Medal for Volunteers incorporates and replaces the Governor General's Caring Canadian Award. The Medal	<p>Nominations received by GG office.</p> <p>*Police personnel eligible – not part of duty *10 years of volunteer service, minimum.</p>

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				builds on the legacy and spirit of the Caring Canadian Award by honouring the dedication and commitment of volunteers.	
5.	Police Exemplary Service Medal (PESM) 20 yr. Medal 30 yr. Bar	Issued by GG Nominated by Chief/Directeur/Commissioner	Anytime	The Police Exemplary Service Medal, created on August 12, 1983, recognizes police officers who have served in an exemplary manner, characterized by good conduct, industry and efficiency. <i>*Additional Info, refer to 'Regulations governing the award of the PESM'.</i>	Nominations received by GG office. CACP Awards Cttee approval. Certificate and medal issued by GG. Police Service(s) present.
6.	<b>CACP Awards &amp; Medals:</b>				
6.a	CACP Motorola Award for Excellence in Emergency Preparedness 1.-Program 2.-Exercise	CACP / Motorola	March to May	<i>The CACP/Motorola Award for Excellence in Emergency Preparedness has been established to recognize a standard of excellence that exemplifies the combined efforts of police, fire, and emergency medical services in preparing their agencies for any subsequent response to natural or man-made disasters leading toward the contribution and dedication to the quality of life in our communities</i>	Nominations received by CACP. Tri-Service Committee to review and select winner.  Award presented at CACP Annual Conference – Opening Ceremonies.  <a href="https://www.cacp.ca/cacp-motorola-award.html#181">https://www.cacp.ca/cacp-motorola-award.html#181</a>
6.b	CACP International Policing Award	CACP	February to April	<i>The CACP International Policing Award rewards Canadian law enforcement personnel for their exceptional dedication and initiative in using Canadian policing skills to contribute to a safer world, and seeks to encourage more Canadian police services to contribute to and work on the international scene.</i>	Nominations received by CACP. CACP International Committee to review nomination and select winner. Award presented at Annual Conference, Plenary Session  <a href="https://www.cacp.ca/international-policing-award.html#272">https://www.cacp.ca/international-policing-award.html#272</a>

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6.c	Policing Partnership Award (PSLC)	CACP Lead – CACP PSL Committee	Announcement three (3) months prior to PSLC conference.	The Private Sector Liaison Committee (PSLC) strives to connect the private and public sectors by promoting and fostering key partnerships to improve the overall safety and security of Canadians. Through this Committee’s work, many successful partnerships have been and continue to be formed, from which both sectors have derived much benefit. It is thus the desire of this Committee to recognize these partnerships and achievements they have accomplished to date.	Nominations received by CACP PSLC reviews and selects Presented every 2 <sup>nd</sup> year. Presented at CACP PSLC Conference
6.d	Traffic Safety Award	CACP	February to March	1. The National Police Award for Traffic Safety and 2. The Road Safety Lifetime Achievement Award These awards recognize excellence, dedication and initiative in the field of traffic safety by enforcement officers across Canada.	Nominations received by CACP. Traffic Committee to select winner. Presented at CACP Annual Conference, Plenary Session  <a href="https://www.cacp.ca/nomination-call-for-the-national-police-award-for-traffic-safety-2017.html#276">https://www.cacp.ca/nomination-call-for-the-national-police-award-for-traffic-safety-2017.html#276</a>
6.e	CACP Recognition Award	CACP, Lead - Executive Director	May - June	Recognition of CACP members who make considerable contributions to the betterment of the CACP.	President’s decision on who receives the award. Presented at the CACP Annual Conference – Opening Ceremonies
6.f	CACP Award of Excellence for Combating Organized Crime	CACP (Lead – CACP Organized Crime Committee)	April - May	To recognize and reward the contributions of individuals and/or teams who have exhibited excellence, innovation and initiative to detect, disrupt and dismantle criminal organizations.	Nominations received by CACP. Organized Crime Committee to review and select winner. Presented during the CACP Annual Conference.  <a href="https://www.cacp.ca/award-of-excellence-for-combating-organized-crime.html#430">https://www.cacp.ca/award-of-excellence-for-combating-organized-crime.html#430</a>

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7.	<b>Other:</b>				
7.a	Youth Justice Award	Dept. of Justice Canada  Lead – Minister of Justice	April - May	The Minister of Justice National Youth Justice Policing Award is presented in collaboration with the CACP and CPA. The award recognizes police officers who, individually or as a team, develop innovative approaches or promising practices that go beyond the formal court system when dealing with youth in conflict with the law.  Alternates between CACP & CPA.	Nominations received by Justice. CACP announces. Presented every 2 <sup>nd</sup> year @ CACP Annual Conf., Opening Ceremonies. Last issued by CACP – 2017 in Montreal.  Selection Cttee represented by CACP / CPA / Minister of Justice.
7.b	Canadian Banks' Law Enforcement Award	Canadian Bankers Association  Lead – Canadian Bankers Association	November - February	The CBLEA can be presented to sworn members of law enforcement (active duty at the time of the incident and includes Special Constables and sworn auxiliary Peace Officers) for exceptional achievement in an investigation involving the banking industry. Officers can be awarded for either an 'Individual' or a 'Group (Team)' achievement. The criteria for nominations are as follows:  <b>Individual:</b> This award is presented to a sworn member of law enforcement for an unique investigation (not just high profile) involving a bank. The officer has displayed exceptional diligence in order to overcome obstacles and extenuating circumstances. This award may also be presented in cases where the officer knowingly placed themselves at a great risk (threat of serious bodily harm or death, imminent danger, etc) during the protection of life involving a bank employee, customer or bank property.  <b>Group (Team):</b> This award is presented to sworn members of law enforcement working in a group/taskforce/team investigation involving the banking industry. The results of the investigation demonstrate exemplary performance in	Nominations received by Canadian Bankers Association. CBA selects winner.  Presented at the CACP Annual Conference - Gala

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				overcoming extraordinary circumstances resulting in a successful conclusion to the investigation. Examples could include investigations for robbery against a bank (branch) where employees and customers may be at risk, or fraudulent acts against a bank or banks, by an organized criminal group.	
7.c	Bank of Canada Award	Bank of Canada  Lead – Bank of Canada	February – April 30 <sup>th</sup>	<i>This award recognizes the outstanding achievements of criminal justice professionals and educators involved in the prevention and deterrence of bank note counterfeiting in Canada.</i>	Nominations received by Bank of Canada. Bank of Canada selects winner.  Presented at CACP Annual Conference - Plenary
7.d	Rob Plunkett Law Enforcement Torch Run Award	Special Olympics Canada  Lead – SO Canada	May – June	<i>This award is made available by Special Olympics Canada for presentation to a Law Enforcement Torch Run representative who best exemplifies the spirit, philosophy, dedication and goals of the Law Enforcement Torch Run and the Special Olympics movement.</i>	Nominations received by Special Olympics Canada.  CACP Exec. Dir. is on the ‘Selection’ Committee. Selection process is done at the CACP Annual Conference or by way of email, prior to September.  Presentation in November at SO Award Night.
7.e	IACP Policing Awards	IACP <i>(Available to Canadian Law Enforcement Officers)</i>		<b><u>Policing Awards:</u></b> *IACP August Vollmer Excellence in Forensic Science Award *IACP Excellence in Victim Services Award *IACP Award for Outstanding Achievement in Law Enforcement <i>Volunteer Programs</i> *Michael Shanahan Award for Excellence in Public/Private Cooperation *Human and Civil Rights Award	For further details relating to the IACP Policing Awards, please visit their website:  <a href="http://www.TheIACP.org/Awards">www.TheIACP.org/Awards</a>

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				<p>*IACP AMU Civilian Law Enforcement-Military Cooperation Award</p> <p>*IACP Environmental Crimes Cttee Chief Dave Cameron Award</p> <p>*IACP/Thomson Reuter Award for Excellence in Criminal Investigations</p> <p>*Community Policing Award</p> <p>*Excellence in Police Aviation</p> <p>*IACP Excellence in Law Enforcement Research Award</p> <p>*IACP/Target Police Officer of the Year</p> <p>*IACP/Booz Allen Hamilton – Terrorism Award</p> <p>*Indian Country Law Enforcement Officer of the Year</p> <p>*IACP – Webber-Seavey Award for Quality in Law Enforcement</p> <p><b><u>Highway Safety Awards:</u></b></p> <p>*National Law Enforcement Challenge</p> <p>*J. Stannard Baker Award for Highway Safety</p> <p>*Vehicle Crimes Award of Merit</p>	
7.f	CCMTA Police Partnership Award. (Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators Award)	CCMTA	January - March	<p>CCMTA highlights the work of outstanding individuals and organizations that support their vision.</p> <p><b>Police Partnership Award:</b> This award recognizes police efforts that build partnerships in support of strategies. Finding ways to reduce fatalities and collisions is an important component of ‘Canada’s Road Safety Strategy 2025, towards ZERO: <i>The safest roads in the world</i>’.</p>	<p>Nominations received by CCMTA</p> <p>CCMTA reviews, selects and issues the award.</p> <p>CACP only promotes the award.</p>
7.g	Emergency Management Exemplary Service Award	EMESA	December – January 31 <sup>st</sup> .	<p>The <i>Emergency Management Exemplary Service Award</i> is a prestigious recognition for exceptional service and achievement. This award, a partnership between provincial, territorial and federal governments, recognizes recipients who have achieved excellence in their respective fields.</p>	<p>Public Safety Canada is now accepting federal nominations for all categories, and Search and Rescue nominations for all jurisdictions. For provincial/territorial nominations for the Resilient Communities, Youth, and Outstanding Contribution to</p>



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				<p>Awards will be granted in five categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Resilient Communities</li> <li>○ Search and Rescue Volunteers</li> <li>○ Search and Rescue Employees</li> <li>○ Youth</li> <li>○ Outstanding Contribution to Emergency Management</li> </ul> <p>Nomination processes vary by award category and by province/territory.</p>	<p>Emergency Management categories, provinces and territories will lead separate nomination processes. <a href="#">Public Safety Canada EMESA website.</a></p> <p>For information on the selection process in a particular province/territory, please contact your <a href="#">provincial or territorial authorities.</a></p> <p>For any other questions, please contact <a href="mailto:ps.emesa-psesc.sp@canada.ca">ps.emesa-psesc.sp@canada.ca</a></p>
8.	<b>Pending Awards</b>				
8.a	Organized Crime Award	CACP		Award 'Objective' and 'Criteria' yet to be determined or approved by CACP Board. If approved, to be issued August 2018, Halifax, NS.	