

# PEI FIREFIGHTERS LONG SERVICE MEDAL ACT

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#### **PREAMBLE**

WHEREAS it is recognized that firefighters serve with dedication and selflessness in the protection of life and property within the province;

AND WHEREAS it is appropriate that firefighters of long service be recognized by the award of PEI Firefighters Long Service Medals and additional bars thereto;

#### 1. Definitions

In this Act

- (a) "**firefighter**" means any person who, in the opinion of the Fire Marshal, has served in the fighting or preventing of fires;
- (b) "**Fire Marshal**" means the Fire Marshal of Prince Edward Island appointed pursuant to section 2 of the *Fire Prevention Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. F-11;
- (c) "municipality" means a municipality as defined in the *Municipal Government Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. M-12.1. 1999,c.8,s.1; 2016,c.44,s.271.

#### 2. Medal

There is established a PEI Firefighters Long Service Medal. 1999, c.8, s.2

#### 3. Responsibilities of Fire Marshal

The Fire Marshal shall be

- (a) responsible for the administration of this Act; and
- (b) by virtue of the office, permitted to wear a PEI Firefighters Long Service Medal. 1999, c. 8, s. 3.

#### 4. Medals Committee

- (1) There is established a Medals Committee consisting of
  - (a) the Fire Marshal; and
  - (b) the chief of every fire department recognized by the Fire Marshal.

#### **Applications**

- (2) Applications for a PEI Firefighters Long Service Medal may be made to the Medals Committee on behalf of a firefighter by
  - (a) the chief or deputy chief of a fire department recognized by the Fire Marshal;
  - (b) the mayor or chief administrative officer of a municipality;

- (c) repealed by 2016,c.44,s.271(3); or
- (d) any other person recognized by the Fire Marshal.

## **Application not permitted**

(3) A firefighter may not apply for a PEI Firefighters Long Service Medal on the firefighter's own behalf.

#### Criteria

- (4) Applications made pursuant to subsection (2) shall
  - (a) be in a form approved and provided by the Medals Committee; and
  - (b) contain proof and documentation, as required by the Medals Committee, of at least 20 years service in the province as a volunteer firefighter, paid firefighter, or both. 1999, c.8, s.4; 2016, c.44, s.271.

#### 5. Award

(1) Where the Medals Committee is satisfied that the requirements of this Act have been met with regard to an application for a PEI Firefighters Long Service Medal, the Fire Marshal shall award a PEI Firefighters Long Service Medal to the firefighter satisfying the requirements.

## Ten-year bar

- (2) Where a firefighter has
  - (a) been awarded a PEI Firefighters Long Service Medal; and
  - (b) completed an additional 10 years service as a firefighter,

the Fire Marshal shall award a bar representative of the 10 years additional service to be worn with the PEI Firefighters Long Service Medal.

#### **Additional bars**

(3) The Fire Marshal shall award a bar in addition to a bar awarded pursuant to subsection (2) for every 10 years of additional service completed by a firefighter, to be worn with the PEI Firefighters Long Service Medal.

#### **Application**

(4) This Act applies to both active and retired firefighters. 1999,c.8,s.5.

#### 6. Offence

Any person who has not been awarded a PEI Firefighters Long Service Medal or bar and who

- (a) wears a PEI Firefighters Long Service Medal or bar; or
- (b) purports to have been awarded an PEI Firefighters Long Service Medal or bar,

is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than \$500. *1999,c.8,s.6*.

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