

**APPLICATION FOR AIR FORCE GROUND COMBAT BADGE (AFGCB) AWARD**

(This form to be used for all member/former member generated applications)

PMKeyS Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Service Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Must/Spec: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Post-2001 service active/inactive) (Pre-2002 service) (Employment Category)

Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Given Names: \_\_\_\_\_ Surname: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Current or on Cessation of Service)

Operation Name/s: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Criterion 1 – Eligibility predicated on force assignment to a ‘Warlike’ Operation)

Dates Deployed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Criterion 2 – Eligibility predicated on 90 Days aggregate service on a ‘Warlike’ Operation other than in defined exceptional circumstances)

Deployed Unit/Task Group: \_\_\_\_\_

AASM Awarded (Criterion 3): Yes/No (Please Circle) Deployed as Air Force Member (Criterion 4): Yes /No (Please Circle)

Justification to be issued with AFGCB other than Criterion (1) to (4) noted on this form. Include a brief description of combat or combat related duties (Criterion 5 – definitions below) routinely performed during deployment and/or exceptional circumstances requiring consideration where eligibility criteria not met. Supporting documentary evidence to be attached where necessary.

(Criteria 5)

**Combat Duties.** Those duties requiring a member to commit, or participate directly in the commission of, an act of violence against an adversary in a declared ground defence area surrounding an airbase within a warlike AO.

**Combat-Related Duties.** Combat-related duties are duties (other than combat duties) requiring a member to work in support of, and in close proximity to (ie. whilst also in a declared ground defence area surrounding an airbase within a warlike AO) another member performing combat duties, in circumstances in which the member performing the work may be killed or injured through an act of violence by an adversary.

**Ground Defence Area (GDA).** A GDA is a defined area surrounding an airbase perimeter in which the base commander has freedom of action to conduct those combat or combat-related activities which enable airbase security and thus air operations through increased depth in security posture. Specifically, The GDA allows threats to be identified and treated far from the base, as well as providing the means to mitigate indirect fire, small arms fire and man-portable threats. Depending upon the operation and when it took place, a GDA might also be known by another term such as a ‘Close Approach Area’ or a ‘Patrol and Surveillance Area’.

Return Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Current Unit for serving members/Home Address or PO Box (including Suburb, Postcode and State) for former members)

Contact Details: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Telephone and/or Mobile Phone and/or Email address)

**Applicant Certification:**

I, ..... (insert full name) declare that the information provided on this application form is true and correct.

Signature: .....  
Printed Name: .....  
Date: .....

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