

Those entitled to the "1914 Star" will not be eligible for the "1914-1915 Star."

All claims will be subject to the approval of the Army Council. For the purpose of this decoration the theatres of war are as follows:—

(a.) Western European theatre: To include all operations in France and Belgium from midnight, 22nd-23rd November, 1914.

(b.) Balkan theatre: To include all operations in—

(1.) Greek Macedonia, Servia, and Bulgaria, from 5th October, 1915; and

(2.) Gallipoli, the Ægean Islands, from 25th April, 1915.

(c.) Egyptian theatre: To include all operations against Turco-German Forces from 5th November, 1914; also operations against Senussite Forces in western Egypt and on borders of Cyrenaica from 3rd November, 1915, but excluding operations for which the Sultan's Sudan Medal has been awarded.

(d.) African theatre: To include all operations set forth below, but excluding local military operations against Native tribes or rebels:—

(1.) In British East Africa, German East Africa, Rhodesia, Nyasaland, Uganda, and African Lakes, from 20th August, 1914;

(2.) In German South-west Africa and on adjacent borders of Union of South Africa, from 20th August, 1914, to 9th July, 1915;

(3.) In Kamerun and on eastern and northern frontiers of Nigeria, from 24th August, 1914; and

(4.) In Togoland, from 7th August, 1914, to 26th August, 1914.

(e.) Asiatic theatre: To include all operations—

(1.) In Mesopotamia, from 6th November, 1914, and the various smaller operations specified in the order; and

(2.) Tsing-tau, from 23rd September, 1914, to 7th November, 1914.

(f.) Australasian theatre: To include all operations in—

(1.) German New Guinea and Bismarck Archipelago, as follows:—

(a.) New Britain, from 11th September, 1914, to 21st September, 1914.

(b.) New Ireland, from 16th September, 1914, to 18th October, 1914.

(c.) Kaiser Wilhelm Land, on 24th September, 1914.

(d.) Admiralty Islands, on 21st November, 1914.

(2.) Nauru, on 6th September, 1914.

(3.) German Samoa, on 29th August, 1914.

Rolls showing the names of all members of the New Zealand Expeditionary Forces entitled to receive this decoration are in course of preparation.

Authority is given for all officers, warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and men of the New Zealand Expeditionary Forces who are entitled to the above decoration to wear the riband, if they choose to purchase the same, as some time must necessarily elapse before the star and riband will be available for presentation.

#### Deceased Soldiers' Medals.

In the case of deceased officers and other ranks, applications from their legatees or next-of-kin should, in the former case, be addressed to General Headquarters, New Zealand Military Forces (A.A.G.), and, in the latter case, to the Director of Base Records, Wellington, New Zealand.

The claims of next-of-kin take precedence in the following order of relationship: Widow, eldest surviving son, eldest surviving daughter, father, mother, eldest surviving brother, eldest surviving sister, eldest surviving half-brother, eldest surviving half-sister.