

Approved Operations for Award of the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal and Associated Areas of Eligibility

Location (land area, airspace, and waters of)	ENDURING FREEDOM (Note 6)	IRAQI FREEDOM	NEW DAWN	FREEDOM'S SENTINEL	ENDURING SENTINEL	NOMAD SHADOW	INHERENT RESOLVE	ODYSSEY LIGHTNING	PACIFIC EAGLE - Philippines (Note 5)	OBSERVANT COMPASS
Afghanistan (Note 1)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Algeria	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			Yes		
Arabian Sea: North of 10° north latitude and west of 68° east longitude	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Azerbaijan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Bab El Mandeb	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Bahrain	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes			
Benin	Yes									
Bosnia-Herzegovina	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Bulgaria (Bourgas)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Burkina Faso	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Burundi	Yes									
Cameroon	Yes									
Central African Republic										Yes
Chad	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			Yes		
Columbia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Crete	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Cyprus	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes			
Democratic Republic of Congo										Yes
Diego Garcia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Djibouti	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Egypt	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes		
Eritrea	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Ethiopia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
France								Yes		
Georgia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Greece								Yes		
Guantanamo Bay, Cuba	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Gulf of Aden	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Gulf of Aqaba	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Gulf of Oman	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Gulf of Suez	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Hungary	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Iran	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes			
Iraq (Note 2)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes			
Iraq: North of 36° north latitude						Yes				
Israel	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes			
Italy								Yes		
Jordan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes			
Kazakhstan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Kenya	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Kosovo (Note 3)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Kuwait	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes			
Kyrgyzstan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Lebanon	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes			
Libya	Yes							Yes		
Mali	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Mauritania	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Mediterranean Sea: East of 25° east longitude							Yes			

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Mediterranean Sea: East of 28° east longitude	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Mediterranean Sea: From the Straits of Gibraltar to 25° east longitude								Yes		
Mediterranean Sea: "boarding and searching" vessel operations	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Morocco	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Niger	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			Yes		
Nigeria	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Oman	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Pakistan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Persian Gulf	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes			
Qatar	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes			
Red Sea	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes			
Republic of the Philippines	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes				Yes	
Republic of South Sudan	Yes									Yes
Romania (Constanta)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Rwanda	Yes									
Saudi Arabia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes			
Senegal	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Seychelles	Yes									
Sierra Leone	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Somalia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Spain								Yes		
Strait of Hormuz	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Sudan	Yes									
Suez Canal	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Syria	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes			
Tajikistan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Tanzania	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Tunisia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Turkey	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Turkey: East of 35° east longitude	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Turkmenistan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Uganda	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					Yes
United Arab Emirates	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes			
Uzbekistan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Yemen	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					

Note 1: Refer to DoD Manual (DoDM) 1348.33, Volume 2, "Manual of Military Decorations and Awards: DoD Service Awards - Campaign, Expeditionary, and Service Medals" for guidance regarding when award of the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, rather than the GWOT-EM, is authorized for qualifying service in Afghanistan.

Note 2: Refer to DoDM 1348.33, Volume 2, for guidance regarding when award of the Iraq Campaign Medal or the Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal, rather than the GWOT-EM, are authorized for qualifying service in Iraq.

Note 3: Only for designated GWOT operations not associated with operations qualifying for the Kosovo Campaign Medal or the Armed Forces expeditionary Medal for Operation JOINT GUARDIAN.

Note 4: Refer to DoDM 1348.33, Volume 2, for guidance regarding when award of the Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal, rather than the GWOT-EM, is authorized for qualifying service in Syria.

Note 5: Service members deployed to the Operation PACIFIC EAGLE - Philippines (OPE-P) area of eligibility for unnamed counterterrorism operations during the period of May 23 to October 4, 2017, prior to the start of OPE-P, are authorized award of the GWOT-EM provided the member meets GWOT-EM award and eligibility criteria contained in DoDM 1348.33, Volume 2.

Note 6: Operation ENDURING FREEDOM encompasses suboperations JUNIPER SHIELD, OCTAVE SHIELD, and SPARTAN SHIELD.