

## **Medal Rolls 1914-1920**

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The information recording every individual and their eligibility for a campaign medal and gallantry award are contained in the Medal Rolls.

### **Medals and awards included in the Medal Rolls**

- The 1914 Star
- The 1914-15 Star
- British War Medal
- Allied Victory Medal
- Territorial Force War Medal
- Allied Subjects Medal
- Victoria Cross (V.C.)
- Distinguished Conduct Medal (D.C.M.)
- Distinguished Service Order (D.S.O.)
- Military Cross (M.C.)
- Military Medal (M.M.)
- Silver War Badge (S.W.B.)
- Women's service awards
- Mentioned in Despatches (M.I.D.)

## **Medal Index Cards (or Medal Rolls Index) 1914-1920**

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During the late part of the First World War the Army Medal Office began a system of making out an index card for each individual. This was done to create a record of every person's collective entitlement to campaign medals and gallantry medals. Each card was created by compiling the data from the existing Medal Rolls. In the event of the individual's entitlement to an additional medal, the card would be added to as appropriate.

A Medal Index Card may include the following information:

- individual's name
- service number (usually included)
- rank
- unit(s) served in
- date of enlistment
- the first theatre of war in which they served and a date (although this is generally only provided if it was before 1<sup>st</sup> January 1916)
- Medal(s) received
- the Army Medal Office Roll and issue number for each medal the person was entitled to
- whether the individual was killed or discharged
- remarks
- correspondence notes
- address