

**AMERICAN ROSE SOCIETY**  
**BRONZE MEDAL FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO A LOCAL SOCIETY**

**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. Each society (chapter or affiliate), in good standing with the American Rose Society may annually award the American Rose Society Bronze Medal for Outstanding Service to one of its members for outstanding and meritorious service at the Local Society level.
2. The recipient must be a full or associate/joint member of the American Rose Society and an active member of the Local Society for no less than three (3) years. Local Society membership must be verified by the Local Society.
3. If the selected recipient passes away prior to the medal being presented, the medal may be awarded posthumously to the deceased recipient's spouse or a member of his/her immediate family.
4. Members of the Society's Executive Committee with the exception of the President are eligible for this award. A sitting President, however, who never received a Bronze Medal prior to serving as the Society's chief executive officer, is eligible and can be considered for the Bronze Medal after serving six years as president.
5. The Executive Committee or Board of the Local Society will nominate candidates. The members of the Executive Committee or Board will vote by secret ballot. The President will tally the votes in the presence of at least two members of the Society's Executive Committee or Board who are not currently also candidates for this award. A majority vote will be required for awarding this medal. The result must be kept confidential by all members involved.
6. The awarding of this medal is not required in any year.
7. Each Society can only award the Bronze Medal for Outstanding Service once to a member.
8. This is a Local Society award and must be administered and controlled by the Local Executive Committee or Local Board. This award will not require involvement from the District, Regional or ARS Board.
9. The Medal used for this Award shall be the standard American Rose Society Bronze Medal for Outstanding Service and may be procured from the ARS Executive Director. The cost of the Medal shall be borne by the Society making the award.
10. The Bronze Medal for Outstanding Service may be awarded jointly to **husband/wife** teams if, in the opinion of the Local Executive Committee or Board, they **both** are deserving of the award and **both** individuals meet the requirements. In such cases, two medals would be appropriate for presentation.

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