

Chapter 4 - CAMPAIGN AND SERVICE AWARDS

SECTION 1 - GENERAL

410. DEFINITION: A campaign or service award is an award issued to an individual to denote participation in a campaign, war, national emergency or expedition, or to denote service requirements fulfilled in a creditable manner.

SECTION 2 - ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

420. DISTRIBUTION

1. Distribution of a particular campaign or service medal will be accomplished under instructions issued by CNO or CMC, as appropriate. When the medal is available for initial distribution, instructions will be issued by each branch of the service to inform commanding officers of the method of procurement.

2. Commanding officers shall make appropriate service record entries concerning campaign/service awards which were earned and which were received by each individual under their command.

421. LIMITATIONS. Issuance of Medals. No more than one of any specific campaign/service medal shall be issued to an individual. An appropriate attachment shall be issued in lieu of a subsequent medal earned.

422. APPLICATIONS. See Appendix D to Chapter 1 for instructions concerning the method of application and procurement.

SECTION 3 - REQUIREMENTS

430. SPECIFIC CAMPAIGN AND SERVICE AWARDS. The authorization, eligibility requirements and special provisions for campaign/service awards are as shown in the following numbered paragraphs. Unit commanders, members of their staffs, and personnel attached to other units automatically derive their eligibility for service medals and engagement stars in the same manner as personnel regularly assigned to a ship or unit to which they are attached.

Note: In most cases, a message is released when campaign awards are approved. The message delineates specific guidance that is applicable in addition to the general guidance provided in this chapter.

1. Prisoner of War Medal (POW)

a. Authorization. 10 U.S.C. 1128

b. Eligibility Requirements. Awarded to any person who, while serving in any capacity with the Armed Forces of the United States, was taken prisoner and held captive after 5 April 1917.

(1) Civilians and Foreign Nationals. The Prisoner of War Medal will be issued only to U.S. and foreign civilians who have received credit for U.S. military service as determined by the Department of Defense Civilian/Military Service Review Board and Advisory Panel (DoD Directive 1000.20 of 11 September 1989 (NOTAL)). The period of creditable military service must include the period of captivity from date of capture through date of release.

(2) Missing in Action (MIA). The Prisoner of War Medal will only be issued to the legal next of kin of military personnel or civilians who have received credit for U.S. military service and whose status as prisoners of war has been officially confirmed and recognized as such by the Military Departments and DoD. The next of kin of persons listed as missing, but for whom there is no evidence of having been a prisoner of war, will not be issued the medal. Return of remains, in and of itself, does not constitute evidence of prisoner of war status. The next of

kin of prisoners who die in captivity may be issued the medal regardless of the length of the period of captivity.

(3) Hostages, Detainees and Internees. The medal will be issued only to those taken prisoner by an enemy during armed conflict. For the purpose of this medal, armed conflicts are defined as World Wars I and II, Korean Conflict, Vietnam Conflict and Operation DESERT STORM. Hostages of terrorists and persons detained by governments with which the United States is not actively engaged in armed conflict are not eligible for the medal.

c. Character of Service. Any person convicted by a U.S. military tribunal of misconduct or a criminal charge or whose discharge is less than honorable based upon actions while a prisoner of war is ineligible for the medal. Furthermore, prisoners of war whose conduct was not in accord with the Code of Conduct and whose actions are documented by U.S. military records are ineligible for the medal. Resolution of questionable cases will be the responsibility of SECNAV.

d. Subsequent Awards. No more than one POW Medal shall be awarded. For subsequent acts justifying award of the medal, 3/16 inch bronze stars shall be awarded and worn on the suspension and service ribbon of the medal. A period of captivity terminates upon return to U.S. military control. Escapees who do not return to U.S. military control and are subsequently recaptured by an enemy do not begin a new period of captivity for the purpose of a subsequent award of the medal.

e. Posthumous Award. The POW Medal may be awarded posthumously.

2. Good Conduct Medals (GCM)

a. Navy Good Conduct Medal (NGCM)

(1) Authorization. The NGCM was established by SECNAV on 26 April 1869 to recognize the "all-around" good Navy enlisted person, well qualified in all phases of conduct and performance. Effective 1 February 1971, commanding officers were delegated authority to award the NGCM and certificates. The CNO has review authority over the GCM and designates specific criteria for the award.

(2) Eligibility Requirements

(a) Service. After 1 November 1963 any 4 years of continuous active service as an enlisted person in the Regular Navy or Naval Reserve. Per NAVADMIN 305/95, After 1 January 1996, the qualifying period of eligibility is 3 years vice 4 years for service terminating after that date. For first enlistments this requirement may be fulfilled by:

1. Continuous active service during a minority enlistment provided the member concerned served on active duty to the day preceding his/her 21st birthday even though he/she extended the enlistment and remained on active duty; or

2. Continuous active service during a minority enlistment provided the member concerned served on active duty within 3 months of the day preceding his/her 21st birthday; or

3. Continuous active service during a first enlistment for 4 years from which the member concerned has been discharged or released to inactive duty within 3 months of the date of expiration of enlistment. (This does not apply to those members who are discharged for the purpose of immediate reenlistment.)

4. Per NAVADMIN 320/95, any continuous 3 years or more of qualifying service ending on or after 1 January 1996 warrants entitlement to subject medals. Retroactive computation or other changes to existing criteria is not authorized. (Ex: An individual with 3 years 11 months of qualifying service would be eligible to receive the award on 1 January 1996 and again 1 January 1999 if qualifications are met. However, an individual with 2 years 6 months of qualifying service on 1 January 1996, would not be eligible for the award until a full 3 years of service has been completed on 1 July 1996.) Additionally, this change does not affect the requirements for service stripes, as dictated by reference (b), Articles 4231 and 4232.

(b) Conduct

1. Within the required period of active service, the individual must have a clear record (no convictions by courts-martial, no non-judicial punishments (NJP), no lost time by reason of sickness-misconduct, no civil convictions for offenses involving moral turpitude).

a. If confinement as result of conviction by any courts-martial (general, special or summary) is involved, a new 3-year period shall begin with date of restoration to duty on a probationary basis. If confinement is not included in approved sentence of the courts-martial, a new 3-year period shall begin with date of convening authority action.

b. If the service record contains an NJP, a new 3-year period shall begin with the date following the date of the offense. However, when the date of the offense cannot be determined, the new 3-year period shall begin with the date following the NJP.

c. If convicted by civil authorities for an offense involving moral turpitude, a new 3-year period shall begin with date of return to active duty status.

d. If the record contains a disqualifying mark which is not the result of an NJP, the new 3-year period shall begin with the next date following the date of the mark.

(c) Performance marks required during period of eligibility.

1. Subsequent to 1 January 1996, no mark below 2.0 in any trait.

2. Between to 31 August 1983 and 31 December 1995 no mark below 3.0 in Military Knowledge/Performance, Rating Knowledge/Performance, Reliability, Military Bearing, Personal Behavior and Directing.

3. Prior to 31 August 1983.

a. E-4 and below. No mark below 3.0 in any trait.

b. E-5 and E-6. No Mark below EEL (Typically Effective-Lower) in Directing, Individual Productivity, Reliability or Conduct.

c. E-7 to E-9. No Mark below the bottom 50 percent in Performance, Reliability, Conduct or Directing. If an individual receives a disqualifying trait mark, a new period

of eligibility would begin on the day following the ending date of the performance evaluation report which contains the disqualifying trait mark.

(3) Subsequent to 17 May 1974, for the first award only, the Good Conduct Medal may be awarded in the following cases provided conduct and performance requirements are met:

(a) For those individuals who are killed in combat action against an opposing armed force, or die as a direct result of wounds received in combat action against an opposing armed force, the award may be presented posthumously to the next of kin.

(b) For those individuals who are separated from the naval service for physical disability as a result of wounds incurred in combat action against an opposing armed force, or in the line of duty where such wounds were directly related to action against the enemy.

(c) For those individuals who die while in a Prisoner of War (POW) status, the NGCM may be presented posthumously to the next of kin, provided it has been determined that conduct while in a POW status was acceptable.

(4) A certificate shall be prepared for each award. The member's rate, name, branch of service and number of the award shall be centered in the appropriate spaces. The ending date of the period of service for which the award was earned shall be centered after "Awarded for service completed on." The commanding officer's name, rank and branch of service shall be typed above "Commanding Officer" and his/her signature affixed.

(5) Attachments. A bronze star, 3/16 inch in diameter will be worn on the suspension ribbon and bar to denote subsequent awards.

NOTES

1. For personnel who are serving in a first enlistment of 3 years and who have met the eligibility requirements except for length of service, the NGCM may be presented 3 months prior to the eligibility date.

2. A member not eligible for the NGCM under the foregoing criteria who reenlists or reports for active duty within 3 months after discharge or release to inactive duty is considered to be serving under "continuous active service" conditions. While the time between the date of separation and date of return to active duty is not counted as an interruption of active service, it may not be included in computing time served. A member who reenlists or reports for active duty after 3 months must begin a new 3-year period on the date of reenlistment or reporting for active duty.

3. An enlisted member appointed a temporary warrant or commissioned officer is entitled to include such temporary service upon reverting to an enlisted status for any purpose (including discharge to accept appointment as a permanent officer). Naval Academy midshipmen who are not commissioned, but are retained in the service in an enlisted status, may include such midshipman service for the purpose of earning the NGCM. Except as provided above, service in warrant, commissioned, or Naval Academy midshipman status may not be included in computing time served.

4. Active service in a Reserve status credited toward the Naval Reserve Meritorious Service Medal may not be credited for the NGCM Award.

5. When the requirements have been met, but it is evident that the individual is not deserving of this award due to a repeated record of valid letters of indebtedness, or other acts which are not in keeping with the high moral standards required of all Navy personnel, the commanding officer will make appropriate recommendations to CNO (N09B13) stating the reasons.

6. If there is insufficient evidence in a member's service record to determine eligibility for the NGCM or subsequent award, a copy of service record page 9, Enlisted Performance Record, (NAVPERS 1070/609) should be requested from BUPERS in order to complete the service record and determine the member's eligibility for the award.

b. Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal (MCGCM)

(1) Authorization. The MCGCM was established by Special Order No. 49 of 20 July 1896, to recognize good behavior and faithful service in the Marine Corps. The CMC has review

authority over the MCGCM and designates specific Marine Corps criteria for the award.

(2) Eligibility Requirements

(a) Service

1. Any 3 years of continuous active service, regardless of expiration or extension of enlistments and any previous or subsequent disciplinary action except as indicated in subparagraph (b) for enlisted personnel, Regular or Reserve, including service in temporary warrant or temporary commissioned status, provided such temporary officer reverts to enlisted status. Also, if reenlisted within a period of 90 days from date of discharge, it will not be construed as an interruption of continuous service but the period between discharge and reenlistment will not be counted.

2. Provided the individual is otherwise qualified, a MCGCM shall be authorized for any 3 years enlisted service consisting of a combination of periods of active service in a war, national emergency or armed hostilities in which the United States is engaged. When the first period of such service terminated prior to 10 December 1945, a total of 4 years enlisted service is required.

3. For first award only, the MCGCM may be awarded, provided conduct requirements are met, to the next of kin in those cases where service member is killed in combat action against an opposing armed force, or dies as a direct result of wounds received in combat action against an opposing armed force, or dies in the line of duty where such death was directly related to actions against the enemy. In addition, for the first award only, the MCGCM is authorized for individuals who are separated from the naval service for physical disability as a result of wounds incurred in combat action against an opposing armed force, or in the line of duty where such wounds resulted directly from action against the enemy, provided conduct requirements are met. For first award only, next of kin of Prisoners of War also would be eligible to receive the MCGCM if the service member's demise occurs while in a POW status, provided it has been determined that conduct while in POW status was acceptable.

NOTE. In establishing eligibility for MCGCMs under 2b(2)(a)2, service performed during World War II, Korea and Vietnam will not be creditable unless entry or reentry to active service occurred during the periods from 8 September 1939 to 31 December 1946 inclusive; 27 June 1950 to 27 July 1954 inclusive; and 3 July 1965 to 30 September 1975 inclusive.

(b) Conduct

1. The MCGCM shall be earned for otherwise qualifying service involving no convictions by courts-martial, or nonjudicial punishment (NJP) under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, Article 15, and no lost time by reason of sickness-misconduct or injury-misconduct. Prior to 27 April 1990, not more than 1 NJP was allowed.

2. When an NJP or a courts-martial voids creditability of service, a new good conduct period shall commence effective on the date of approval of the NJP or on the date of the convening authority's action on the courts-martial, except when the offense occurred within the 3-year period and the date of approval of the NJP or of the convening authority's action is after the expiration of the 3-year period; under these circumstances, the date of the offense shall be the commencement date for the new period. Offenses committed in a previous period will not be considered when determining eligibility during the current 3-year period.

3. When sentenced to confinement as a result of conviction by any courts-martial, a new period shall begin with the date of restoration to duty even though in a probationary status. The date of approval by the convening authority on all courts-martial not involving confinement shall be the new commencement date (see also Individual Records Administration Manual (IRAM), Para. 4014, MCO P1070.12H (NOTAL)).

4. In case of time lost due to sickness-misconduct or injury-misconduct, the date of return to duty shall be the new commencement date for MCGCM.

5. Where the foregoing requirements have been met, but it is evident that the individual is not deserving of this award due to a repeated record of valid letters of indebtedness, conviction by civil court for major offense(s) or other acts not in keeping with the high moral standards of the

Marines, the commanding officer will make recommendations to CMC (MHM) stating the reasons.

(3) Certificates and Attachments

(a) A Good Conduct Award Certificate (NAVMC-71) will be completed by the commanding officer at the time entitlement is confirmed for presentation to the member concerned.

(b) A 3/16-inch bronze star will be worn on the suspension ribbon and ribbon bar to denote subsequent awards.

3. Naval Reserve Meritorious Service Medal (NRMSM)

a. Authorization. The NRMSM was authorized by SECNAV on 22 June 1964. Originally SECNAV approved a National Naval Reserve Policy Board Item in 1960 for the award as a ribbon in recognition of Naval Reservists on inactive duty for fulfilling with distinction certain stipulated requirements. The NRMSM is intended to provide Naval Reservists an award equivalent to the Good Conduct Medal.

b. Eligibility Requirements. The initial date for computation of service is 1 July 1958. Between 1 July 1958 and 1 January 1996, the period of eligibility for the subject award was 4 years. Subsequent to 1 January 1996, the period of eligibility is 3 years. The medal may be awarded to an enlisted Naval Reservist who, subsequent to 1 January 1996, meets the following minimum requirements:

(1) Performs three periods of active duty of not less than 12 consecutive days each, unless any period or portion of a period is waived by Commander, Naval Reserve Force or his delegated authority. Any combination of annual training (AT), active duty for special work (ADSW) satisfies the annual requirement. AT completed prior to 31 August 1994 must have been for periods of not less than 12 consecutive days unless waived by competent authority for reasons not initiated by the individual reservist.

(2) Attends a minimum of 90 percent of all scheduled drills each year prior to 1 October 1997, and a minimum of 85 percent thereafter, with an organized unit of the Naval Reserve, for 3 consecutive years (authorized equivalent instruction or duty may be credited in lieu of drills). Assignments to Records

Review of 6 months or less may be counted towards eligibility for this award, provided the member maintains eligibility for a satisfactory year towards retirement by completing correspondence course. A period of eligibility interrupted for 6 months or more will result in a new 3-year period beginning with date of return to a drilling status. Situations not covered in this article should be addressed to BUPERS (PERS-913) for resolution.

(3) When a member of the Naval Reserve is ordered to active duty, temporary active duty or initial active duty for training, such period(s) will be credited toward fulfillment of the requirements prescribed in paragraphs 3b(1) and (2) of this article under the following conditions:

(a) The active duty consists of at least 30 days;

(b) The member must have earned some credit toward an award while in an inactive duty drilling status, except for personnel enlisted in reserve programs with no drilling obligation prior to reporting to active duty for Two Year General Detail (GENDET), Three Year Enlistment Apprenticeship, Sea/Air Mariner (SAM), or TAR Enlistment (TEP) Programs. Personnel enlisted in these programs may receive credit towards the NRMSM for periods of active duty or active duty for training (ACDUTRA) performed provided such a period is less than 3 years.

(c) Upon completion of the 3-year eligibility requirement for the award while on continuous active duty, the member may not qualify for subsequent awards without returning to an inactive duty drill status. Continuous active duty may be applied toward the award of a Navy Good Conduct Medal.

(4) Active duty time credited toward the award of the Navy Good Conduct Medal may not be credited toward eligibility for the NRMSM. Active duty time not credited toward award of the NGCM may be credited toward the NRMSM provided the member affiliates with the Selected Reserve within 90 days of discharge or release from active duty and has met all other requirements for the NGCM.

(5) Conduct and Performance

(a) Member must have a clear record for the period of eligibility (no convictions by courts-martial or NJP). If

the service record contains a record of courts-martial or NJP, the 3-year period shall begin with the date of completion of the courts-martial sentence or NJP.

(b) No enlisted performance evaluation mark below 2.0 in any trait subsequent to 31 December 1995, or below 3.0 in military knowledge/performance, rating knowledge/performance, reliability, military bearing, personal behavior, and directing between 31 August 1983 and 31 December 1995 (or equivalent when other than numerical values are assigned).

c. Attachment. A 3/16-inch bronze star is worn on the suspension ribbon and ribbon bar to denote each subsequent award. Upon receiving the sixth award, a 3/16-silver star is worn on the suspension ribbon and ribbon bar. Seventh and subsequent awards will be denoted with 3/16-bronze stars, centered on the suspension ribbon and ribbon bar outboard of the silver star.

d. Certificate. A certificate shall be prepared for each award earned. The member's rate, name, branch of service and number of the award shall be centered in the appropriate spaces. The ending date of the period of the service for which the award was earned shall be centered after "Awarded for service completed on." The commanding officer's name, rank and branch of service shall be typed above "Commanding Officer," and his/her signature affixed.

4. Selected Marine Corps Reserve Medal

a. Authorization. The Selected Marine Corps Reserve Medal was established by a SECNAV directive of 19 February 1939.

b. Eligibility Requirements. Awarded to members of the Selected Marine Corps Reserve (SMCR) who, subsequent to 1 July 1925 fulfilled certain designated service requirements within any 4-year period of service in the Organized Marine Corps Reserve. The following are specific requirements of eligibility for this medal:

(1) Attendance with a SMCR unit to include duty in an Individual Mobilization Augmentee (IMA) billet in Training Category A at four consecutive annual field training periods. A period of active duty for training which was authorized to be

performed in lieu of a regular annual field training period will fulfill this requirement.

(2) Effective 24 April 1961, attendance with an SMCR unit, to include duty in an IMA billet in Training Category A, of 90 percent of all scheduled drills each year for 4 consecutive years. Eligibility for the medal prior to that date is based on 80 percent attendance of all scheduled drills. (Appropriate duty or equivalent instruction-or-duty may be credited in lieu of drills.)

(3) In the case of officers and noncommissioned officers (sergeant or above), it is the responsibility of the commanding officer (or the Commander, Marine Corps Reserve Support Command (MCRSC) in the case of IMA Category A) to determine that the individual's service and performance of duty warrant the award. Enlisted personnel in grade corporal and below must have obtained for the first 4-year period, a combined average of conduct and proficiency markings of 4.0 or above. For subsequent 4-year periods, enlisted personnel must have obtained a combined average of conduct and proficiency markings of 4.5 or above. When it is evident that the individual who otherwise fulfills the eligibility criteria is not deserving of this award because of a repeated record of valid indebtedness or other acts which are not in keeping with the high moral standards required of all Marines, commanding officers (or the Commander of MCRSC in the case of IMA Category A) will make appropriate recommendations to CMC (MHM) stating the reasons.

(4) SMCR members, including IMA Category A, when called to active duty in time of war or national emergency may be credited while on active duty with the annual field training and required drill attendance when they have served not less than 1 month on active duty during each qualification year. Such active service may be credited only for the purpose of qualification for the medal or bronze star toward which the reservist is working at the time of mobilization. When the reservist's 4-year period is completed, active duty subsequently performed may not be credited toward the issuance of a medal or star. If the period of active duty is of such duration that the reservist is ordered to inactive status prior to completion of the reservist's 4-year period, the time spent on active duty may be credited toward the award of medal or star, but credit for active duty will not be allowed for any 4-year period which began with the reservist on active duty. Once a medal or star is

earned after mobilization, the reservist must return to drill and training status in the SMCR (including IMA category "A") before a new qualification period begins.

(5) When a member of the SMCR is unable to attend drills due to absence from the place of drill, or for causes beyond his/her control, exclusive of sickness, the reservist should request a leave of absence for such period, in order that the absence from the regular drill period will not count against the record of attendance for eligibility for the Selected Marine Corps Reserve Medal.

(6) Retroactive to 12 January 1961, the medal will also be awarded to those officers prohibited by the rotation system, due to the lack of billets, from serving in the SMCR (including service as an IMA category A) for a 4-year period, provided they have met the following criteria: Completed any continuous 5 anniversary years of satisfactory Federal service in the Marine Corps Reserve (including IMA Training Categories A, B, C, and D) as defined by regulations, which includes a minimum of 2 consecutive years of satisfactory participation as a member of an SMCR unit, or as an IMA Category A, during which attendance at drills and periods of annual field training meets the requirements cited in paragraphs 4b(1) through 4b(3).

(7) Any period of qualifying service beginning with SMCR membership interrupted by duty with the Active Reserve (AR) Programs shall not be considered a break in the said period of 4 consecutive years for eligibility. Furthermore, any such period of active duty may be credited with the annual field training and required drill attendance for the purpose of completing qualification only for the medal or bronze star toward which the reservist was working at the time of active duty in the AR Program.

(8) When enlisted Marine Corps reservists are assigned to active duty in the AR Programs, they must elect whether to continue their eligibility for the SMCRM for which they have accumulated qualifying service or commence qualifying service for the Good Conduct Medal. Officers may continue to earn qualifying service toward SMCRM. Under no circumstances will a reservist start a commencement date for the SMCRM while on the AR Program. MCO 1070.12H (IRAM) (NOTAL) contains administrative instructions.

c. Certificate and Attachments

(1) A Selected Marine Corps Reserve Certificate (MAVMC 10592) will be completed by the commanding officer at the time entitlement is confirmed for presentation to the member concerned.

(2) A bronze star 3/16-inch in diameter is worn on the suspension ribbon and ribbon bar to denote subsequent awards.

5. Navy Fleet Marine Force Ribbon

a. Authorization. SECNAVINST 1650.36 of 1 September 1984.

b. Eligibility Requirements

(1) General. Qualification for the Navy Fleet Marine Force Ribbon signifies acquisition of specific professional skills, knowledge and military experience that result in qualifications above those normally required of Navy personnel serving with the Fleet Marine Force (FMF). This qualification must be obtained through a formal qualification program and successful completion of the written test prescribed below. Officer and enlisted personnel must:

(a) Be assigned to a FMF unit. Only those personnel assigned to Type II and Type IV sea duty are eligible.

(b) Successfully complete the following sections of the Marine Battle Skills Training Handbook (Books 1, 2, and 4):

<u>Section</u>	<u>Taskings</u>
Military Justice and Law of War	1-1-1 to 1-1-19
Marine Corps Organization, History, Customs, and Courtesies	1-2-1 to 1-2-39
Marine Corps Uniform, Clothing, and Equipment	1-4-1 to 1-4-69
Marine Corps General Leadership	1-5-1 to 1-5-23
Substance Abuse	1-6-1 to 1-6-15
Troop Information/Training Management	1-7-1 to 1-7-39
Combat Leadership	1-8-1 to 1-8-27
Individual Weapons:	
M16A2 Service Rifle	2-11-1 to 2-11-37
M9 Service Pistol	4-11-1 to 4-11-7
Tactical Measures	2-14-1 to 2-14-87

Hand Grenades, Mines, and Pyrotechnics:

Locating Mines	2-15-33 to 2-15-36
Movement through Mine Field	2-15-37 to 2-15-38
NBC Defense	2-16-1 to 2-16-100
First Aid and Field Sanitation	2-17-1 to 2-17-65
Land Navigation	2-18-1 to 2-18-29
Communication:	
Operate the SINGARS RADIO	2-19-13 to 2-19-16
Communicate Using a Radio	2-19-17 to 2-19-22
Maintain Physical Fitness	2-20-1 to 2-20-40

(c) Satisfactorily pass the USMC Physical Fitness Test (PFT). All applicants, regardless of age, must complete this requirement. Those individuals over 45 years of age, if found physically qualified by a medical officer, shall take the Marine Corps PFT under the age category 39-45.

(d) Be recommended for the award by the Marine Corps Battalion/Squadron Commanding Officer.

(2) Specific

(a) Enlisted active duty members of the Navy must:

1. Serve a minimum of 12 months with a Fleet Marine Force (FMF) unit.
2. Graduate from Field Medical Service School (FMSS) or Chaplain and RP Expeditionary Skills Training (CREST) course and obtain the appropriate Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) (HM 8404/DT 8707/RP 2401). Navy personnel assigned to a FMF unit who have no Navy Enlisted Classification Code (NEC) producing pipeline school, (i.e., YN, PN, DK, etc.....) are also eligible.
3. Have no single performance trait mark below 3.0, and no promotion recommendation lower than promotable for the last two periodic evaluations.

(b) Enlisted members in Navy Reserve FMF units must:

1. Serve a minimum of 24 months in a Naval Reserve FMF unit with satisfactory drill attendance.
2. Obtain the appropriate NEC (HM 8404/DT 8707/RP 2401) for their billet.

3. Complete a 2-week Active Duty Training period in support of a Marine Corps field training exercise.

4. Have no single performance trait mark below 3.0, and no promotion recommendation lower than promotable for the last two periodic evaluations.

(c) Navy Active Duty Officers must serve a minimum 12 months duty with the FMF.

(d) Navy Reserve Officers must serve a minimum of 24 months in a Naval Reserve FMF unit with satisfactory drill attendance.

(3) The above requirements may be waived by the awarding authority in cases where Navy personnel demonstrate exceptional skill, knowledge, and leadership while providing support to the Marine Corps in a combat environment with concurrence of CMC/CNO.

c. Only Marine Corps battalion/squadron commanding officers may award the Navy Fleet Marine Force Ribbon. There are no subsequent awards and no citation or certificate will be issued. Commanding officers shall make appropriate service record entries for enlisted personnel, and issue letters of eligibility for officer personnel. Award of the ribbon shall be noted in the member's next evaluation or report of fitness.

d. Advancement Credit. The award of this ribbon shall entitle enlisted personnel to be designated FMF and have two points applied on the E4 through E6 advancement exams.

6. Expeditionary Medals

a. Navy Expeditionary Medal

(1) Authorization. Navy Department General Order (N.D.G.O.) No. 84 of 5 August 1936.

(2) Eligibility Requirements. Awarded to U.S. Navy service members who have actually landed on foreign territory and engaged in operations against armed opposition, or operated under circumstances deemed to merit special recognition and for which no service or campaign medal was awarded. Only personnel

who were attached to one of the ships/units listed in the notice/instruction at some time during the respective periods shown, and who actually participated in the given operation, are eligible for the Navy Expeditionary Medal. This includes personnel attached to a squadron or unit embarked in a ship during the eligible period for that ship. Members of rear echelons, transients, observers and personnel assigned for short periods of Temporary Additional Duty (TAD) or Training Duty (TD) are not normally eligible for the award. However, consideration will be given in those instances when the local commander certifies a particular and significant contribution by an individual. Such certification should be submitted to the CNO/CMC via the fleet commander who exercised operational control in the area involved. CNO maintains a list of eligible ships/units.

(3) The following are recently authorized expeditions:

CUBA	03 Jan 61 - 23 Oct 62
THAILAND	16 May 62 - 10 Aug 62
INDIAN OCEAN/IRAN/YEMEN	08 Dec 78 - 06 Jun 79
IRAN/INDIAN OCEAN	21 Nov 79 - 20 Oct 81
LEBANON	20 Aug 82 - 31 May 83
LIBYA	20 Jan 86 - 27 Jun 86
PERSIAN GULF	01 Feb 87 - 23 Jul 87
LIBYA (Operation SHARP EDGE)	05 Aug 90 - 21 Feb 91
DISTANT RUNNER (Rowanda)	07 Apr 94 - 18 Apr 94

(4) Commanding officers shall make appropriate service record entries for eligible enlisted personnel and issue letters of eligibility for eligible officer personnel. No citation or certificate will be issued.

b. Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal

(1) Authorization. M.C.G.O. No. 33 of 8 May 1919.

(2) Eligibility Requirements. Awarded to U.S. Marine Corps service members per the requirements listed in Article 430.6.a. CMC maintains listings of eligible units.

7. Navy Occupation Service Medal (NOSM)

a. Authorization. Navy Department General Order No. 10 of 28 January 1948.

b. Eligibility Requirements

(1) General. Awarded to personnel in the Naval Service who participated in the occupation of the territories of the enemies of the United States during World War II and subsequent to the surrender of these enemies.

(2) Specific

(a) To establish eligibility, the individual shall have been attached to, present and serving on permanent duty with an organization in the Naval Service of the United States during those periods when such organization has been credited by SECNAV or a delegated fleet command with having performed duty in the occupation of enemy or former enemy national territory.

(b) Passenger, observer, visitor, courier, escort, inspector or other similar status, when not permanently attached to an eligible unit, is not creditable toward this award.

(c) Occupation duty in the European-African-Middle Eastern area may be credited to organizations for duty performed on and subsequent to 8 May 1945. Terminal dates for eligibility periods and occupation territories in this area are as follows:

Italy.....	15 Dec 1947
Trieste.....	25 Oct 1954
Germany (except Berlin*).....	05 May 1955
Austria.....	25 Oct 1955
Berlin.....	02 Oct 1990

(d) Occupation duty in the Asiatic-Pacific area may be credited to organizations for duty performed between 2 September 1945 and 27 April 1952. Occupation territory in the Asiatic-Pacific area includes Japan and such territories recognized as sovereign to Japan, and such parts of Korea and such adjacent islands as are recognized to be Korean, but exclusive of all the mandated territory formerly administered by Japan, as are under the governmental control of the United States or of an ally of the United States during World War II. Eligibility also includes ships operating in such home or territorial waters or contiguous ocean areas in direct support of occupation or aircraft based upon and operating from such territories or ships.

(e) Units performing service in the Korean area during the period 27 June 1950 to 27 April 1952, inclusive, and eligible for the Korean Service Medal will not be credited with eligibility for the NOSM for the same period.

c. Issuance of Medals. Not more than one award of the NOSM will be given to any individual.

d. Clasps. Appropriate clasps marked "Europe" and "Asia" are authorized to be attached to the suspension ribbon of the large medal only to denote service in the respective area. No distinctive device to denote these clasps is authorized for wear on the ribbon bar. If earned, both clasps may be worn.

e. Army of Occupation Service Medal. Individuals who have been tendered the Army of Occupation Service Medal and are eligible for the NOSM are not entitled to both, but may elect which one to accept.

f. Lists of eligible ships and units are maintained by CNO and CMC. If a ship or unit is not on the list prior to 1 January 1958, entitlement to the medal will be denied.

8. National Defense Service Medal (NDSM)

a. Eligibility Requirements

(1) Honorable active service as a member of the Armed Forces for any period after 26 June 1950 to 28 July 1954, after 31 December 1960 and before 15 August 1974 or after 1 August 1990 and before 1 December 1995. For this award, the following personnel shall not be considered as performing active service:

(a) Guard and Reserve forces personnel on short tours of active duty to fulfill training obligations under an inactive duty training program. However, effective 8 October 1991, President Bush expanded criteria to include all members of the National Guard and Reserve who were part of the Selected Reserve in good standing during the period 02 August 1990 to 30 November 1995. Consequently, all Navy and Marine Corps personnel serving on active duty and members of the Navy and Marine Corps Reserve who were part of the Selected Reserve in good standing during said period are eligible for the award.

(b) Any person on temporary active duty to serve on boards, courts, commissions and like organizations.

(c) Any person on active duty for the sole purpose of undergoing a physical examination.

(d) Any person on active duty for purposes other than extended active duty.

(2) Subparagraphs (1)(a) through (d) above shall not bar the award of the NDSM to members of the Guard or Reserve forces, who, after 31 December 1960 become eligible for the award of the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal or the Vietnam Service Medal who serve for 30 days or more on temporary active duty. Such persons shall be considered to be performing active service for the purpose of eligibility for the National Defense Service Medal.

(3) Midshipmen attending the Naval Academy during the above periods are eligible for this medal.

(4) Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps (NROTC) Midshipmen are only eligible if they participated in a summer cruise that was in an area which qualified for a campaign medal.

b. Subsequent Award. A 3/16-inch bronze star shall be worn on the suspension ribbon and ribbon bar by personnel who earned the medal for honorable active duty after 26 June 1950 and before 28 July 1954, after 31 December 1960 and before 15 August 1974, and again after 1 August 1990 and before 1 December 1995.

9. Korean Service Medal

a. Authorization. E.O. 10179 of 8 November 1950.

b. Eligibility Requirements

(1) General. Awarded to all members of the U.S. Armed Forces who participated in operations in the Korean area during the period between 27 June 1950 and 27 July 1954.

(2) Specific.

(a) Sea Duty. Service for 1 or more days in the designated area attached to and serving on board a naval vessel.

(b) Shore Duty. Attached to and regularly serving on shore in the designated area for one or more days with an organization that participated in combat operations or in direct support of combat missions.

(c) Temporary Additional Duty. Service of 30 consecutive days or 60 non-consecutive days in the prescribed area unless the personnel participate in actual combat, in which case the time limit is waived.

(d) Passengers. No individual in a purely passenger status shall become eligible unless the unit in which embarked engages in actual combat. Patients in a hospital ship are considered as attached to the ship.

c. Engagement Stars

(1) A 3/16-inch bronze star indicative of actual combat in an operation or an engagement as authorized by SECNAV will be worn two points down on the suspension ribbon of the medal and on the ribbon bar. Participation in combat operations during the following operations will establish eligibility for one bronze star for each separate operation listed:

North Korean aggression.....	27 Jun to 2 Nov 1950
Communist China aggression.....	3 Nov 1950 to 24 Jan 1951
Inchon landing.....	13-17 Sep 1950
1st U.N. counteroffensive.....	25 Jan to 21 Apr 1951
Communist China spring offensive..	22 Apr to 8 Jul 1951
United Nations summer-fall offensive.....	9 Jul to 27 Nov 1951
2 nd Korean winter.....	28 Nov 1951 to 30 Apr 1952
Korean defense, summer-fall 1952	1 May to 30 Nov 1952
3 rd Korean winter.....	1 Dec 1952 to 30 Apr 1953
Korea, summer 1953.....	1 May 1953 to 27 Jul 1953

(2) Ships and units considered to have participated in combat operations are those which:

- (a) Engaged the enemy.
- (b) Participated in ground action.
- (c) Engaged in aerial flights over enemy territory.
- (d) Took part in shore bombardment, minesweeping or amphibious assault.
- (e) Engaged in or launched commando-type raids or other operations behind enemy lines.
- (f) Engaged in redeployment under enemy fire.
- (g) Engaged in blockade of Korean waters.
- (h) Operated as part of carrier task groups from which offensive airstrikes were launched.
- (i) Were part of mobile logistic support forces in combat areas. Presence in combat zone primarily for training or transit does not qualify.

Note: The prerequisite to the wearing of a star on the Korean Service Medal ribbon shall be service in a ship, aircraft unit or shore-based force at the time it participated in actual combat with the enemy for which a star was authorized, or participated in duty considered by CNO as being equally hazardous.

(3) A 3/16-inch silver star will be worn two points down in lieu of five bronze stars.

10. Antarctica Service Medal

a. Authorization. P.L. 86-600 of 7 July 1960.

b. Eligibility Requirements. Each person who, during the period subsequent to 1 January 1946 and prior to a date to be ultimately established by the Secretary of Defense, meets the qualifications of any of the subparagraphs set forth below, shall be eligible to receive the medal. For the purpose of this

paragraph, Antarctica is defined as the area south of latitude 60°S.

(1) Any member of the Armed Forces of the United States or civilian citizen, national or resident alien of the United States who, as a member of a U.S. expedition, participates in, or has participated in scientific, direct support or exploration operations in Antarctica.

(2) Any member of the Armed Forces of the United States or civilian citizen, national or resident alien of the United States who participates in, or has participated in a foreign Antarctic expedition in Antarctica in coordination with a U.S. Antarctic expedition and who is or was under the sponsorship and approval of competent U.S. Government authority.

(3) Any member of the U.S. Armed Forces who participates in or has participated in flights as a crew member of an aircraft flying to or from the Antarctic Continent in support of operations in Antarctica.

(4) Any member of the Armed Forces of the United States or civilian citizen, national or resident alien of the United States who serves or has served in a United States ship operating south of latitude 60°S in support of United States programs in Antarctica.

(5) Any person, including citizens of foreign nations, not fulfilling the qualifications under subparagraphs (1) through (4) above or the following paragraphs establishing the time limits of participation, but who participates in, or has participated in a U.S. Antarctic expedition at the invitation of a participating U.S. agency may be given the award by the Secretary of the Department under whose cognizance the expedition falls, provided the commander of the military support force as senior U.S. representative in Antarctica considers that the individual performed outstanding and exceptional service and shared the hardships and hazards of the expedition.

(6) No minimum time limits of participation under the foregoing guidelines are required for eligibility for this medal prior to 1 June 1973. Subsequent to 1 June 1973, minimum time limits for the award is 30 days under competent orders to duty at sea or ashore, south of latitude 60°S. Each day of duty under competent orders at any outlying station on the Antarctic Con-

continent will count as 2 days when determining award eligibility. Flight crews of aircraft providing logistics support from outside the Antarctic Area will receive no more than 1 day's credit for flights in and out during any 24-hour period. Days do not have to be consecutive. Flight personnel may earn the medal based on 15 flights into the area. The award may be made posthumously. No person is authorized to receive more than one award of the medal. The list of eligible ships/units is maintained by CNO.

c. Devices

(1) Clasps. Personnel who stay or have stayed on the Antarctic Continent during the winter months shall be eligible to wear a bronze clasp with the words "Wintered Over" on the suspension ribbon of the large medal only. A gold clasp is authorized for the second wintering over period, and a silver clasp is worn to denote the third or subsequent wintering over period. Not more than one clasp shall be worn on the suspension ribbon of the medal. The winter period is from mid-March to early October. The summer period is from early October to mid-March.

(2) Disks. The first wintering over eligibility will be denoted by a 5/16-inch bronze disk diameter with an outline of the Antarctic Continent inscribed thereon fastened on the miniature medal suspension ribbon or ribbon bar representing the medal. (Disk is worn with peninsula pointing up.) A gold disk will represent the second wintering over period. A silver disk will represent the third or subsequent wintering over period. Not more than one disk shall be worn on the ribbon bar.

d. Awarding Authority. CNO (N09B13).

11. Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (AFEM)

a. Authorization. E.O. 10977 of 4 December 1961.

b. Eligibility Requirements

(1) Personnel Eligibility. Awarded to personnel of the Armed Forces of the United States who after 1 July 1958:

(a) Participate, or have participated, as members of U.S. military units in a U.S. military operation in which, in

the opinion of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, personnel of any military department participate in significant numbers.

(b) Encounter, during such participation, foreign armed opposition, or are otherwise placed, or have been placed, in such position that, in the opinion of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, hostile action by foreign armed forces was imminent even though such hostile action did not materialize.

(2) Categories of Operations. The Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal may be authorized for three categories of operations:

(a) U.S. military operations.

(b) U.S. operations in direct support of the United Nations.

(c) U.S. operations of assistance to friendly foreign nations.

(3) Definitions

(a) The "Area of Operations" is defined as:

1. The foreign territory upon which U.S. Armed Forces have actually landed or are present and specifically deployed for the direct support of the designated military operation.

2. Adjacent water areas in which U.S. ships are operating, patrolling or providing direct support of operations.

3. The airspace above and adjacent to the area in which operations are being conducted. Ships and units which are present in an area merely for training purposes are not eligible for the award.

(b) "Direct Support" is defined as the supply by ground units, ships and aircraft, of services and/or supplies and equipment to combat forces in the area of operations, provided such support involves actually entering the designated area and furnishing fire, patrol, guard, reconnaissance or other military support.

(4) Degree of Participation. Personnel must be bonafide members of a unit engaged in the operation (see note below) or meet one or more of the following criteria:

(a) Serve not less than 30 consecutive days in the area of operations.

(b) Engage in direct support of the operation for 30 consecutive days or 60 non-consecutive days, provided such support involves entering the area of operations.

(c) Serve for the full period when an operation is less than 30 days.

(d) Engage in actual combat or duty which is equally as hazardous as combat duty, during an operation against armed opposition, regardless of time in the area.

(e) Participate as a regularly assigned crew member of an aircraft flying into, out of, within or over the area in support of the military operation.

(f) Be recommended or attached to a unit recommended for the award by CNO or the commander of a unified or specified command for award of the medal, although the criteria above may not have been fulfilled.

(g) Personnel are entitled to the award if they were attached to or serving on board a ship/unit for 1 day or more during the period(s) for which that ship/unit is listed as eligible. This includes personnel attached to a squadron or unit embarked in a ship during the period(s) for which that ship is listed as eligible. Members of rear echelons, transients, observers and personnel assigned for short periods of TAD and training duty are normally not eligible for the award; however, consideration will be given in those instances where the cognizant commander certifies a particular and significant contribution by an individual. Such certification should be submitted to CNO/CMC via the fleet commander who exercised operational control in the area involved.

(5) Operations. The following operations have been designated by the Joint Chiefs of Staff as qualifying for award of the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal:

(a) U.S. Military Operations

1. Berlin.....14Aug61 to 01Jun63.
Including the City of West Berlin.

2. Cuba.....24Oct62 to 01Jun63.

NOTE. Although terminal date of Cuban operations was established by the Joint Chiefs of Staff as 01Jun63, no Navy/Marine Corps units are considered to be eligible after 31Dec62. Water area between 12N and 28N latitudes and 66W and 84W longitudes.

3. Dominican Republic...28Apr65 to 21Sep66.

The area is composed of the contiguous water and airspace within the following boundaries: from the point 17N, 75W; eastward to 17N, 67-45W; thence northward to 20-25N, 73-35W; thence southwestward to 18-40N, 75W; thence south to the initial point at 17N, 75W.

4. Lebanon.....01Jul58 to 01Nov58.

The area is geographically composed of the adjacent water area defined as that portion of the Mediterranean Sea east of 31E longitude.

5. Quemoy and Matsu Islands...23Aug58 to

01Jun63. The area is composed of the water area 21N to 26N and 116E to 121E.

6. Taiwan Straits.....23Aug58 to 01Jan59.

The area is composed of the water area from 19N to 28N between 117E and 123E.

7. Congo.....23Nov64 - 27Nov64. The area is

composed of the land and water area of the Congo.

8. Korea.....01Oct66 to 30Jun74. This

includes the entire land mass of the Republic of Korea and the waters and air space enclosed by the following boundaries: From a point located at 32N on the Coast of China, east to 32N by 129-20E; thence northeastward to 36N by 134E; thence north to

the Coast of the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR); thence along the coastline of the USSR, Korea and China to the initial point.

- 9. Cambodia Evacuation
(Operation EAGLE PULL).....11-13Apr75.
- 10. Vietnam Evacuation
(Operation FREQUENT WIND)...29-30Apr75.
- 11. Mayaguez Operation.....15May75.
- 12. Grenada Operation.....23Oct83 -
21Nov83.

NOTE. The island nation of Grenada, including Grenada, Carriacou, Green, Hog, Calivigny, other outlying islands and the territorial seas of Grenada; waters adjacent to Grenada in which Atlantic Fleet ships operated in direct support of operations in Grenada; the airspace above Grenada and the adjacent sea areas where the operations were conducted; and the Grantley Adams International Airport, Barbados.

13. Libya (Operation ELDORADO CANYON)...12-17Apr86.
The area of operations where U.S. forces were employed is bounded by the following coordinates:

37N, 11E to 37N, 21E to 34N 25E to
23N, 25E to 23N, 11E to 37N, 11E.

14. Panama (Operation JUST CAUSE) 20Dec89 -
31Jan90. The total land area of Panama, including internal waters, territorial seas, and airspace thereover.

15. Haiti (Operation UPHOLD DEMOCRACY) 16Sep94 -
31Mar95. The area of operations consists of the total land area, sea and air space defined by the following coordinates:
16-30N, 71-40W; 18-00N, 71-45W; along the Haitian-Dominican Republic Border to 20-00N, 71-44W; 21-00N, 71-40W; 21-25N/73-00W; 21-25N, 74-00W; 20-00N, 74-00W; 19-45N, 75-00W; 19-00N, 76-00W; 16-30N, 76-00W; to 16-30N, 71-40W.

(b) U.S. Operations in Direct Support of the United Nations.

1. Congo.....14 Jul 60 to 1 Sep 62. Water area from 3S to 9S between 9E and the mainland of Africa.

2. Somalia (Operation RESTORE HOPE and UNITED SHIELD) 05Dec92 to 31Mar95. The area operation is from 20N northward to 30-30E and from 46-36E eastward to 63E.

(c) U.S. Operations Assisting Friendly Foreign Nations.

1. Laos.....19Apr61 to 07Oct62.

2. Vietnam.....01Jul58 to 03Jul65. Water areas from a point on the east coast of Vietnam at the juncture of Vietnam with China southeastward to 21N, 108-15E; thence southward to 18N, 108-15E; thence southeastward to 17-30N, 111E; thence southward to 11N, 111E; thence southwestward to 7N, 105E; thence westward to 7N, 103E; thence northward to 9-30N, 103E; thence northeastward to 10-15N, 104-27E; thence northward to a point on the west coast of Vietnam at the juncture of Vietnam with Cambodia. In addition, the area has been extended to include the land mass encompassing Thailand.

3. Cambodia (land only) 29Mar73 to 15Aug73.

4. Thailand.....29Mar73 to 15Aug73. (Only those in direct support of Cambodia operations).

5. Lebanon.....01Jun83 to 01Dec87.

NOTE. The terminal date of Lebanon operations was established by Joint Chiefs of Staff as 01Dec87; no Navy ships/units are considered to be eligible after 01Aug84. Marine Security Guard personnel or other personnel serving "in country" Lebanon may be awarded medal for the entire period.

6. Persian Gulf....24Jul87 to 01Aug90 (Operation ERNEST WILL).

7. Persian Gulf/Iraq...(Operation SOUTHERN WATCH) 01Dec95 to TBD. The area consists of the land area and airspace of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, and Iraq and the waters of and airspace above the Arabian Gulf west of 056E longitude. Individuals serving aboard vessels in the Red Sea in direct support of Operation

SOUTHERN WATCH are also eligible for the AFEM. Service members who earned the SWASM and subsequently become

eligible for the AFEM in another tour are permitted to wear both medals. For example, an individual that earned the SWASM in 1991 and subsequently returns to the area after 01Dec95 may wear both awards. Both awards may not be earned by an individual who serves a single tour that spans the transition date of 01Dec95. In the case of those individuals whose service spans the transition date and meets the eligibility criteria for both awards, they may elect one or the other but not both awards.

8. El Salvador...01Jan81 to 01Feb92. The total land area of El Salvador. This award was approved by Section 525 of the FY96 Defense Appropriations Act.

9. Operation Southern Watch; including Maritime Intercept, Vigilant Sentinel, Desert Thunder, Desert Fox, Desert Spring, and Northern Watch; 01Dec95 to TBD. Only one award for participation in one or all operations.

10. Operation Joint Guard...20Dec96 to 20Jun98.

11. Operation Joint Endeavor.....20Nov95 to 16Dec96.

12. Operation Joint Forge..21Jun98 to TBD
(may elect to receive the AFSM vice AFEM).

(6) Eligible Ships and Units. Ships and units which are present in an area merely for training purposes are not eligible for the award. Squadrons or units embarked in a ship during the period for which that ship is listed as eligible are automatically eligible for the medal.

(7) Limitation of Medal. The medal shall be awarded only for operations for which no other U.S. campaign medal is approved, and shall not be issued for service in Vietnam after 03Jul65. (See art. 431.12.(c) of this manual concerning election of Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal/Vietnam Service Medal for service in Vietnam prior to 03Jul65.) For operations in which personnel of only one military department participate, the medal shall be awarded only if there is no other suitable award available to that department.

(8) Election of Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal/Vietnam Service Medal. Personnel who have earned the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal for service in Vietnam during the period 01Jul58 to 03Jul65, inclusive, may elect to receive the Vietnam Service Medal in lieu of the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal. No individual may be issued both medals for service in Vietnam during the period 01Jul58 to 28Mar73.

(9) Election of Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal/Navy or Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal. Members of the naval service may elect one expeditionary medal for the following operations:

Lebanon...25Aug82
Libya...20Jan86 - 27Jun96
Persian Gulf...24Jul87 - 01Aug90

c. Approval of Operations. The Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS) shall designate operations which qualify for the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal. Recommendations for Military Operations to be designated shall be submitted through joint channels to the JCS.

d. A 3/16-inch bronze star is worn on the suspension ribbon of the medal and on the ribbon bar for participation in each subsequent operation; i.e., Lebanon, Taiwan, Cuba, etc. Participation in two or more engagements within the same operation does not qualify for the bronze star.

12. Vietnam Service Medal (VSM)

a. Authorization. E.O. 11231 of 08 July 1965.

b. Eligibility Requirements

(1) General

(a) Awarded to all members of the Armed Forces of the United States serving at anytime between 04Jul65 and 28Mar73 in the area defined under the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal for Vietnam.

(b) Awarded to all members of the Armed Forces of the United States in Thailand, Laos or Cambodia or the air space

thereof, between 4 July 1965 and 28 March 1973 and serving in direct support of operations in Vietnam.

(c) Members qualified for the AFEM by reason of service between 1 July 1958 and 3 July 1965 (inclusive) in an area for which the Vietnam Service Medal was subsequently authorized shall remain qualified for that medal. Upon application, any such member may be awarded the Vietnam Service Medal in lieu of the AFEM for such service. However, no person shall be entitled to both awards for service in an area for which the Vietnam Service Medal has been authorized.

(2) Specific

(a) Personnel Eligible

1. Shore Duty. Attached to or regularly serving for 1 or more days with an organization participating in or directly supporting military operations.

2. Sea Duty. Attached to or regularly serving for 1 or more days aboard a naval vessel directly supporting military operations.

3. Air Duty. Actual participation as a crew member in 1 or more aerial flights directly supporting military operations.

4. Temporary Duty. Service for 30 consecutive or 60 non-consecutive days, except that the time limit may be waived for personnel participating in actual combat operations.

NOTE. Only personnel who were attached to ships/units and who actually participated in the given operation, are eligible for the Vietnam Service Medal. This includes personnel attached to a squadron or unit embarked in a ship during the period for which that ship is listed as eligible. Members of rear echelons, transients, observers, and personnel assigned for short periods or TAD and training duty are normally not eligible for the award; however, consideration will be given in those instances where the local commander certifies a particular and significant contribution by an individual. Such certification should be submitted to CNO/CMC via the fleet commander who exercised operational control in the area involved.

(b) Eligible Ships and Units. Ships and units present in the area merely for training purposes are not eligible for the award. Squadrons or units embarked in a ship during the period for which that ship is listed as eligible are automatically eligible for the medal.

(c) Limitation of Medals. The medal shall be awarded only for operations for which no other U.S. campaign medal is approved. No person may be issued both the Vietnam Service Medal and the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal for service in Vietnam (see Art. 431.16b(8) concerning election), and no person shall be entitled to more than one award of the Vietnam Service Medal.

(d) Stars. A bronze star 3/16-inch in diameter is authorized to be worn on the suspension ribbon and ribbon bar of the Vietnam Service Medal for each of the following campaigns:

- I. Vietnam Advisory Campaign.....15Mar62 to 07Mar65.
- II. Vietnam Defense Campaign.....08Mar65 to 24Dec65.
- III. Vietnam Counter-offensive.....25Dec65 to 30Jun66.
- IV. Vietnam Counter-offensive II.... 01Jul66 to 31May67.
- V. Vietnam Counter-offensive III....01Jun67 to 29Jan68.
- VI. Tet Counter-offensive.....30Jan68 to 01Apr68.
- VII. Vietnam Counter-offensive IV....02Apr68 to 30Jun68.
- VIII. Vietnam Counter-offensive V....01Jul68 to 01Nov68.
- IX. Vietnam Counter-offensive VI....02Nov68 to 22Feb69.
- X. Tet 69 Counter-offensive.....23Feb69 to 08Jun69.
- XI. Vietnam, Summer-Fall 1969.....09Jun69 to 31Oct69.
- XII. Vietnam, Winter-Spring 1970....01Nov69 to 30Apr70.
- XIII. Sanctuary Counter-offensive....01May70 to 30Jun70.
- XIV. Vietnam Counter-offensive VII...01Jul70 to 30Jun71.
- XV. Consolidation I.....01Jul71 to 30Nov71.
- XVI. Consolidation II.....01Dec71 to 29Mar72.
- XVII. Vietnam Ceasefire Campaign.....30Mar72 to 28Jan73.

13. Southwest Asia Service Medal (SWASM)

a. Authorization. E.O. 12754 of 12 March 1991.

b. Eligibility Requirements

(1) Awarded to members of the Armed Forces of the United States who participated in or directly supported military opera-

tions in Southwest Asia or in surrounding areas between 2 August 1990 and 30 November 1995 (Operations DESERT SHIELD/STORM).

(2) Individuals authorized this award must have served in one or more of the following areas between 2 August 1990 and 30 November 1995: The Persian Gulf, Red Sea, Gulf of Oman, Gulf of Aden, that portion of the Arabian Sea that lines north of 10° N. latitude and west of 68° E. longitude, as well as the total land areas of Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Bahrain, Qatar and United Arab Emirates.

(3) Individuals serving in Israel, Egypt, Turkey, Syria and Jordan (including the airspace and territorial waters), between 17 January 1991 and 28 February 1991 shall also be eligible for award of this medal. They must have directly supported combat operations. For instance, Embassy guards would not be eligible.

c. Specific eligibility criteria for award of the Southwest Asia Service Medal require that a service member must be:

(1) Attached to or regularly serving for 1 or more days with an organization participating in ground/shore (military) operations.

(2) Attached to or regularly serving for 1 or more days aboard a naval vessel directly supporting military operations.

(3) Actually participating as a crew member in one or more aerial flights directly supporting military operations in the areas designated above.

d. Serving on temporary duty for 30 consecutive days or 60 nonconsecutive days. These time limitations may be waived by commanding officers for people participating in actual combat operations.

e. Awarding Authority. Commanding officers are authorized to award the Southwest Asia Service Medal.

f. Stars. A bronze service star shall be worn on the suspension and service ribbon of the Southwest Asia Service Medal for participation in each campaign period.

I. Defense of Saudi Arabia02 August 1990 through 16 January 1991.

II. Liberation and Defense of Kuwait17 January 1991 through 11 April 1991.

III. Southwest Asia Ceasefire Campaign....12 April 1991 through 30 November 1995. Three bronze service stars is the maximum authorized for the Southwest Asia Service Medal.

14. Armed Forces Service Medal (AFSM)

a. Authorization. E.O. 12985 of 11 January 1996.

b. Eligibility Requirements

(1) Participate, or have participated, as members of United States military units, in a United States military operation that is deemed to be significant activity; and

(2) Encounter no foreign armed opposition or imminent threat of hostile action.

c. Specific. Service members must be members of a unit participating for the delineated time period in the operation within the designated area of eligibility, or meet one or more of the following criteria:

(1) Be engaged in direct support for 30 consecutive days in the area of eligibility (or for the full period when an operation is of less than 30 days duration) or for 60 non-consecutive days provided this support involves entering the area of eligibility.

(2) Participate as a regularly assigned crew member of an aircraft flying into, out of, within, or over the area of eligibility in support of the operation.

d. Qualifying Operations

(1) The AFSM may be authorized for significant United States military activities for which no other United States campaign or service medal is appropriate, such as:

(a) Peacekeeping operations.

(b) Prolonged humanitarian operations.

(2) The AFSM may be awarded for United States military operations in direct support of the United Nations (UN) or the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), and for operations of assistance to friendly foreign nations.

e. Guidelines

(1) The AFSM provides recognition to participants who deploy to the designated area of eligibility for the qualifying operation. Outstanding or meritorious performance of nondeployed or remotely located support units and individuals is not justification for award of the AFSM. Such performance may be recognized by appropriate unit and/or individual decorations.

(2) Because the AFSM may be awarded for a prolonged humanitarian operation, distinction between the AFSM and Humanitarian Service Medal (HSM) must be maintained.

(a) The HSM is an individual award, presented to individuals who are physically present at the site of immediate relief and who directly contribute to and influence the humanitarian action. The HSM is only awarded for service during the identified period of immediate relief; eligibility for the HSM terminates once (if) the humanitarian action evolves into an established ongoing operation beyond the initial emergency condition.

(b) The AFSM is a theater award, authorized for presentation to all participants who meet eligibility requirements established for a designated operation.

(c) For operations in which all deployed participants are awarded the HSM and for which the period of immediate relief coincides with the duration of significant deployed operations, award of the AFSM is not authorized.

(d) Humanitarian operations for which some (or all) participants are awarded the HSM, which continued beyond the period of immediate relief.

f. Definitions

(1) Significant activity is defined as a United States military operation considered to be of such a high degree of scope, impact, and international significance as to warrant the permanent commemoration and recognition afforded by award of a campaign or service medal.

(2) Area of eligibility is defined as follows:

(a) The foreign territory on which troops have actually landed or are present and specifically deployed for the operation.

(b) Adjacent water areas in which ships are operating, patrolling, or providing direct support of the operation.

(c) The air space above and adjacent to the area in which operations are being conducted.

(3) Direct support is defined as services being supplied to participating forces in the area of eligibility by ground unit, ships, and aircraft provided it involves actually entering the designated area of eligibility. This includes units, ships, and aircraft providing logistic, patrol, guard, reconnaissance, or other military support within the designated area of eligibility.

g. Limitations on Awarding Medals

(1) AFSM shall be awarded only for operations for which no other United States campaign or service medal is approved.

(2) For operations in which personnel of only one Military Department participate, the AFSM shall be awarded only if there is no other suitable award available to that Department.

(3) The military service of the Service member on which qualification for the award of the AFSM is based shall have been honorable.

(4) Award of the AFSM is not authorized for participation in national or international exercises.

(5) The AFSM shall not be awarded for NATO or UN operations not involving significant, concurrent United States military support operations.

h. Approval and Designation of Area of Eligibility. The JCS shall designate United States military operations subsequent to 1 June 1992 that qualify for the AFSM.

i. Subsequent Awards. No more than one medal shall be awarded to any one Service member. Second and subsequent awards will be denoted by 3/16-inch bronze service stars. A 3/16-inch silver star will be worn lieu of 5 bronze stars.

j. Posthumous Awards. The AFSM may be awarded posthumously and, when so awarded, may be presented to such representative of the deceased as may be deemed appropriate by the Secretary concerned.

k. Operations. The following operations have been designated by the JCS as qualifying for the AFSM:

(1) Bosnia (Former Republic of Yugoslavia) 1 Jul 1992 - To Be Determined (TBD). Total land area and airspace of the Former Republic of Yugoslavia and total land area and airspace of the country of Italy, including Sicily.

(2) Haiti 1 Apr 95 - 31 Jan 00. Total land area and airspace defined by the following coordinates: 16-30N/71-40W; 18-00N/71-45W; along the Haitian-Dominican Republic border to 20N/71-44W; 21N/71W; 21-25N/73W; 21-25N/74W; 20N/74W; 19-45N/75W; 19N/76W; 16-30N/76W to 16-30N/71-40W.

(3) Provide Comfort. 01 Dec 95 to 31 Dec 96.

(4) Joint Endeavor. 20 Nov 95 to 19 Dec 96.

(5) Joint Guard. 20 Dec 96 to 20 Jun 98.

(6) Joint Forge. 21 Jun 98 to TBD (may elect to receive the AFEM vice AFSM).

15. Humanitarian Service Medal (HSM)

a. Authorization. Established by E.O. 11965 of 19 January 1977.

b. Eligibility Requirements

(1) Awarded to members of the Armed Forces of the United States and their Reserve components who, subsequent to 1 April 1975, distinguished themselves as individuals or as members of U.S. military units or ships by meritorious, direct, nonroutine participation in a significant military act or operation of a humanitarian nature. Direct participation is defined as being physically present at the designated location, having directly contributed to and influenced the action. Designated location is the immediate site(s) of the humanitarian operations as defined by the Presidential request for assistance in the U.S. or the Department of State for overseas areas. When appropriate, the local commander in the recommendation may propose specific clarification of designated boundaries based on the intent of the presidential or Department of State request. Specifically excluded from eligibility are service members or elements remaining at geographically separated military locations or who were assigned to the location but did not make a direct contribution to nor influenced the action. Award of the HSM does not preclude or conflict with other medals or ribbons awarded on the basis of unit achievement, or of individual valor, achievement or meritorious service except the AFSM as covered in the previous article. No service member shall be entitled to more than one award of the HSM for participation in the same military act or operation of a humanitarian nature.

(2) The following types of military acts or operations may qualify for award of the HSM:

(a) Significant assistance in the event of national or international disasters, natural or man-made, such as, but not limited to, earthquakes, floods, hurricanes, typhoons, or conflagrations.

(b) Relief to a starvation area.

(c) Evacuation of personnel from an area threatened by a hostile force.

(d) Support or resettlement of refugees or evacuees.

(e) Other significant military activities, directly related to humanitarian service as designated in Military

Service regulations. These must be above and beyond routine actions. For example, normal Search and Rescue (SAR) operations conducted by specially trained SAR units would not be eligible for HSM consideration. Similarly, in accordance with the laws and traditions of the seas, the rescue of stricken vessels by naval units would not normally be eligible.

(f) Acts or operations of a similar nature, as determined by the award approval authority.

(3) Guidelines. Services rendered in the act or operation being considered must meet the following criteria:

(a) Be above and beyond normal duties, and of major significance.

(b) Provide immediate relief, relieve human suffering, and should save lives (property may be a factor).

(c) Must have affected the outcome of the situation (non-action would have produced definite consequences).

(d) Must have specific dates and must be restricted to the period of "immediate relief." Periods beyond immediate relief are considered established ongoing operations beyond the initial emergency conditions and these periods are no longer eligible for the HSM, but rather are considered for the AFSM.

(e) Must have evidence that the emergency assistance was:

1. Requested by the President of the United States for assistance within the United States (such as Presidential Emergency Declaration or established contingency plans issued under Presidential authority).

2. Requested by the Department of State for overseas areas.

(4) This medal may not be awarded for services rendered in domestic disturbances involving law enforcement, equal rights demonstrations, or protection of properties.

(5) This medal shall not be awarded for those military acts or operations which are of a routine, day-to-day nature.

Specifically, such routine operations as helicopter or destroyer plane guard duty, routine Sea Air Rescue (SAR) missions and emergency transportation of civilian or military medical patients would not qualify. Routine rescues at sea would not qualify unless there was extreme danger to those being rescued and those performing the rescue. Generally speaking, the act or operation must be a direct humanitarian performance by the individuals or unit, at the scene. In those cases of doubt as to whether or not an act or operation qualifies, submission to SECNAV via the chain of command is recommended.

(6) For participation in subsequent operations stars will be worn as prescribed in section 122.1.

(7) The medal may be awarded posthumously.

c. Submission of Recommendation. Recommendations for this award will be submitted to SECNAV via the unit's chain of command. Recommendations must be entered administratively into command channels within 2 years of the military act or operation to be recognized. Effective 14 June 1993, SECNAV is delegated authority to approve/disapprove recommendations for the HSM.

d. Preparation of Recommendation

(1) A written justification fully explaining and attesting to the humanitarian aspects of the services rendered by service members in the act or operation being recommended. The HSM is an individual award. As such, only those individuals who meet the specific requirements and guidelines above, shall be eligible for the award. The specific eligibility requirements must be addressed.

(2) A listing of ships or units that participated directly in the act or operation, including dates of involvement and locations. This is to facilitate the processing and documentation of approved awards only and does not imply unit-wide approval of the HSM.

(3) An alphabetical listing of service members detailing full name, rank/rate, social security number, branch of Service, and permanent unit at the time of the act or operation. This listing shall include only those service members who meet the eligibility criteria and guidelines above.

(4) Concurrence by the Military Departments concerned when multi-service participation is involved. The originating activity shall, prior to submission of the recommendation to the approving authority, obtain the concurrence of the Departments concerned, to include the Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard when service members of the U.S. Coast Guard are involved. Such concurrence shall include verification of their service member's participation and the specific recommendations for approval or disapproval.

(5) Forwarding endorsements that make specific recommendations for approval or disapproval.

(6) Endorsement of the Commander in Chief having authority and/or responsibility for the affected area of responsibility outside the Continental United States.

(7) Documentation of the Presidential or the Department of State request for assistance.

16. Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal (MOVSM)

a. Authorization. Established by E.O. 12830 of 9 January 1993.

b. Eligibility Requirements

(1) General. The MOVSM may be awarded to members of the Armed Forces of the United States and their Reserve Components who, after December 31, 1992, perform outstanding volunteer community service of a sustained, direct and consequential nature.

(2) Specific. To be eligible, an individual's service must:

(a) be to the civilian community, to include the military family community;

(b) be significant in nature and produce tangible results;

(c) reflect favorably on the Military Service and the Department of Defense; and

(d) be of a sustained and direct nature.

c. Guidelines

(1) While there is no specific time period to qualify for the MOVSM (for example 500 hours of community service within 24 calendar months), approval authorities shall ensure the service to be honored merits the special recognition afforded by the medal. (Navy views the sustained time period to be 3 years.) The MOVSM is intended to recognize exceptional community support over time, not a single act or achievement. Further, it is intended to honor direct support of community activities. For the purpose of this award, attending membership meetings or social events of a community service group is not considered qualifying service, while manning a community crisis action telephone line for a sustained period of time is considered qualifying service. The overall level of volunteer participation and impact of an individual's community service is key to determining whether award of the MOVSM is justified.

(2) The MOVSM recognizes service provided to a community over time, therefore multiple awards of the MOVSM during a single tour of duty are not authorized. However, a sustained record of significant community service performed during successive tours may be considered by approval authorities when adjudicating recommendations for award of the MOVSM.

(3) Service recognized by award of the MOVSM shall be of a voluntary nature, not detailed or tasked, nor performed as part of a military mission (for example: a unit project).

(4) Although not all encompassing, Appendix A contains samples of organizations which would qualify.

(5) To be awarded a MOVSM service members must be recommended by anyone senior to them and submitted via their commanding officer using OPNAV 1650/3. The commanding officer shall certify that the eligibility requirements above have been met and that the service was honorable throughout the award period.

d. Awarding Authority. Authority to award the MOVSM is delegated to those officers who have authority to award the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal or Joint Service Achievement Medal and above. The MOVSM may be awarded posthumously. For

Navy personnel a letter of authorization will be issued by the awarding authority to include the period recognized. Appendix A contains a sample format. For Navy personnel, copies of the approved OPNAV 1650/3 will be forwarded to the BUPERS (PERS-313C); for Marine Corps personnel copies will be forwarded to CMC (MMMA).

e. Precedent and Subsequent Award. The MOVSM will be worn immediately after the Humanitarian Service Medal. Subsequent awards will be denoted by 3/16-inch bronze stars. A 3/16-inch silver star will be worn in lieu of the sixth award. No citation or certificate will be issued.

17. Sea Service Deployment Ribbon (SSDR)

a. Authorization. SECNAVINST 1650.35 of 26 January 1981.

b. Eligibility Requirements

(1) General. Awarded to officer and enlisted personnel of the United States Navy and Marine Corps. Each service has distinct criteria that delineates eligibility; Navy personnel assigned to Marine Corps units follow Marine Corps policy, and vice versa.

(2) Specific

(a) For Navy and Marine Corps personnel assigned to U.S. (including Hawaii and Alaska) homeported ships/deploying units or Fleet Marine Force (FMF) commands, 12-months accumulated sea duty or duty with FMF which includes at least one 90-consecutive day deployment. A standard 14-day waiver of the 12-month accumulated sea duty/duty with FMF is authorized as long as the 90-consecutive day deployment requirement is met. The 12-month accumulated sea duty requirement is waived for those Navy and Marine personnel who were called to sea duty or deployed for Operations DESERT SHIELD or DESERT STORM (during the period 2 Aug 90 - 31 Dec 91) to qualify for this initial award. This waiver does not affect second and subsequent awards of this ribbon. Second and subsequent awards will be earned for each additional 12-months of qualifying service in which a 90-consecutive day deployment occurs.

(b) For Navy and Marine Corps personnel assigned to overseas homeported ships/deploying units or FMF commands,

12-months accumulated sea duty or duty with the FMF. For those in this category, the 90-day deployment is not required. Second and subsequent awards will be earned for each additional 12-month period of qualifying service. In addition, for Navy units only, the SSDR does not conflict with the Overseas Service Ribbon after 01 October 1999.

(c) Changes to deployment patterns to meet operational commitments within fiscal constraints have resulted in the reduction of some service force ships deployment lengths to less than 90 days with an increase in the frequency of deployments. Consequently and effective 18 October 1991, the awarding of the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon to members of units that complete two deployments of at least 80 days each within a given 12-month period is authorized. This change is not retroactive.

(d) The Sea Service Deployment Ribbon will be awarded retroactive to 15 August 1974. Only one award may be earned for the period 15 August 1974 to 1 January 1979 regardless of the number of years of sea duty or number of deployments made.

(e) No subsequent changes to the SSDR requirements are retroactive to meet individual eligibility.

c. Definitions

(1) Sea Duty. Duty performed in commissioned vessels or units which operate away from their homeport/homebase for extended periods.

(2) Deployable Units. A ship (USN, USNS), aircraft squadron, detachment, battalion or other unit which operates away from its assigned homeport/homebase for a period of at least 90 consecutive days.

(3) Deployment. Either a period of at least 90 consecutive days with a deployed unit or two deployments of at least 80 days each with a given 12-month period. No waivers of this requirement will be made.

d. Examples of Qualifying and Disqualifying Service

(1) A person who serves in TAD status with a U.S.

homeported ship/deploying unit or FMF commands may qualify upon accumulation of 12-months sea duty or duty with FMF commands. Such duty must include at least one 90-consecutive day deployment.

(2) A person who serves in TAD status with an overseas homeported ship/deploying unit or FMF command may qualify upon accumulation of 12-months duty with such ships or units.

(3) A person who first reported to a ship homeported in Norfolk on 1 July 1978, completed a deployment on 1 December 1978 will establish eligibility on 1 July 1979.

(4) A person who served on a ship or deploying unit homeported overseas from 1 January 1975 to 1 January 1979 will only be eligible for one award.

(5) A person who served on a ship or deployed unit homeported overseas from 30 June 1977 to 30 June 1980 will be eligible for two awards, i.e., the initial award for the period ending 1 January 1979 and a second award for service ending 1 January 1980.

(6) A person who is attached to a U.S. homebased Marine unit which goes on one rotational deployment for 6 months and remains with that unit for 2 years will rate only one award because of the single deployment.

(7) A person who is transferred to the 3RD Marine Division, completes first 1-year tour and extends for 12 months will be eligible for two awards -- one for the first tour and one for the 12-month extension.

(8) A person who is attached to a U.S. homeported ship for 1 year subsequent to 1 January 1979 but does not deploy for 90 consecutive days is not eligible. The same person is then given Permanent Change of Station (PCS) orders to another U.S. homeported ship and immediately goes on a deployment. This person will be eligible upon the completion of the 90-day deployment.

(9) A person having served 12 months on a ship homeported in Newport, Rhode Island during which time the ship deployed for 30 days and immediately proceeded to Portsmouth, Virginia for an

overhaul of 185 days duration and then returns to Newport does not qualify.

(10) A person assigned on PCS orders to the Naval Air Station, Guam serving on shore duty that counts as sea duty will not be eligible for the ribbon regardless of the length of time assigned. The Overseas Service Ribbon is applicable.

(11) A person who is assigned to Marine Corps Base (MCB), Camp Lejeune, goes TAD to Marine Division for 5 months, completes a 90-consecutive day deployment and returns to MCB Camp Lejeune upon completion of the deployment will not be eligible because 1 year was not spent with a FMF unit. Upon completion of an additional 7 months FMF duty, the person will qualify for the award.

(12) A person who is assigned to 2ND Marine Division for a 3-year tour of duty but never completes a 90-consecutive day deployment will not be eligible.

(13) A Marine who is assigned to a Marine Detachment aboard a U.S. homeported ship which does not make a 90-consecutive day deployment will not be eligible.

(14) A person who is assigned to MCB Camp Butler, Okinawa will not be eligible since it is not an FMF unit.

(15) A Marine who is attached to a Marine Detachment aboard a ship homeported overseas will be eligible upon completion of 12-months sea duty.

(16) A person assigned to a 36-months accompanied tour overseas with the FMF will be eligible for three awards.

(17) A Marine whose 12 months overseas FMF tour is terminated early but who receives full credit for his/her tour in under Marine Corps Order P1070.12H (NOTAL) is eligible for the award.

(18) A person assigned to a ship that has made two deployments of 80 days or more with any 12-month period after 18 October 1991 is eligible for the award.

e. Awarding Authority. Commanding officers determine eligibility from service records, affidavits or upon completion of

eligibility requirements at current command and make appropriate service record entries for enlisted personnel and issue letters of eligibility for officer personnel. No citation or certificate will be issued.

18. Navy Arctic Service Ribbon

- a. Authorization. OPNAVNOTE 1650 of 3 June 1987.
- b. Eligibility Requirements

(1) General. Awarded to officers and enlisted personnel of the U.S. Navy, U.S. Marine Corps or civilian citizens, national or resident aliens of the U.S.

(2) Specific. 28-days, consecutive or non-consecutive, above the Arctic Circle after 1 January 1982. For personnel working at remote ice camps and divers working under the ice, each day of duty will count as 2 days when determining award eligibility. No more than 1-day's credit for flights in or out during any 24-hour period. Marine Corps personnel undergoing annual cold weather training above the Arctic Circle do not qualify for the 2 for 1 credit.

- c. Subsequent Award. None.

d. Awarding Authority. Commanding officers of ships/units whose operations are above Arctic Circle. Certification data, to include dates of eligibility, will be forwarded to CNO (N09B13) for Naval personnel.

e. Retroactive Award. Type commanders and commanding officers of Navy Laboratories will determine and certify retroactive eligibility to 1 January 1982.

19. Naval Reserve Sea Service Ribbon

- a. Authorization. SECNAV Note 5420 of 28 May 1986, OPNAVNOTE 1650 of 3 June 1987.
- b. Eligibility Requirements

(1) General. Awarded to officer and enlisted personnel of the U.S. Navy and Naval Reserve.

(2) Specific. Active duty, Selected Reserve, or any combination of active or Selected Reserve service after 15 August 1974 aboard a Naval Reserve ship or its Reserve unit or an embarked active or Reserve staff, for a cumulative total of 24-months. Periods of Selected Reserve service to be creditable for the ribbon must have been satisfactory service as defined in BUPERSINST 1001.39D (NOTAL), i.e., 90 percent (prior to 01 October 1997 - 85 percent thereafter) attendance at scheduled drills with annual active duty for training (ACDUTRA) performed for each period of 12 months Selected Reserve duty. Qualifying ship duty includes duty in a self-propelled Naval Reserve ship, boat, or craft operated under the operational control of fleet or type commanders. Selected Reserve duty with staffs which regularly embark in such Naval Reserve ships, craft, or boats, is also qualifying provided at least 50 percent of the drills performed for each creditable period have been underway drills. The individual's certification that such underway drills were performed will be considered acceptable verification.

(3) Initial and Subsequent Awards. Qualifying service performed between 15 August 1974 and 1 January 1979 will be credited only toward the initial award of the ribbon. Subsequent to 1 January 1979 one award is earned for each qualifying period. A 3/16-inch bronze star will denote subsequent awards.

(4) Restrictions and Waivers. An individual cannot receive the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon and the Naval Reserve Sea Service Ribbon for the same service. CNO may waive the requirements in posthumous cases on a case by case basis.

c. Awarding Authority. Commanding officers. All questions regarding eligibility must be addressed via Commander, Naval Reserve Force to CNO (N09B13).

20. Navy and Marine Corps Overseas Service Ribbon (OSR)

a. Authorization. OPNAVNOTE 1650 of 3 June 1987.

b. Eligibility Requirements

(1) General. Awarded to officers and enlisted personnel of the United States Navy, United States Naval Reserve, United States Marine Corps and United States Marine Corps Reserve. Each service has distinct criteria that

delineates eligibility; Navy personnel assigned to Marine Corps units follow Marine Corps policy, and vice versa.

(2) Specific

(a) Active Duty Personnel: 12-months consecutive or accumulated duty at overseas shore base duty station.

(b) Inactive Reservists: 30 consecutive days or 45 cumulative days of active duty for training, annual training (AT), or TAD at overseas duty stations, including deployed units and units homeported overseas. Travel time and weekend training does not count.

Note: For overseas domiciled Inactive Reservists, 30 consecutive days of AT or IDT must be completed, or a combination of 45 cumulative days of AT or IDT in a billet with an established Overseas Naval Reserve Unit or as a member of the Overseas Peacetime (Contributory) Support Program (for accounting purposes, two IDT periods equal 1 day of AT).

(c) Overseas is defined as duty outside the United States (Mainland Alaska and Hawaii are not eligible duty stations) at shore base commands. Service in Adak, Alaska does qualify. For active duty personnel, duty on board CONUS-based, deploying ships, squadrons, units or with the FMF does not qualify.

(3) Initial and subsequent awards. Qualifying service performed between 15 August 1974 and 1 January 1979 will be credited only toward the initial award of the ribbon. Subsequent to 1 January 1979, one award for each qualifying period.

(4) Restrictions and Waivers. An individual cannot receive the SDR and OSR for the same period if stationed at a Marine Corps Unit; overseas Navy commands may receive both awards after 01 October 1999. In addition, the same period of time cannot be used to earn eligibility for both the Naval Reserve Sea Service Ribbon and the Overseas Service Ribbon.

(5) For active duty personnel not more than 14-days may be waived. For inactive reservists - no waiver. For posthumous awards, the time requirements may be waived by CNO/CMC in posthumous cases on a case by case basis.

(6) Personnel serving with the FMF, regular or reserve, do not qualify for this award.

(7) Awarding Authority. Commanding officers.

(8) Subsequent Awards. A 3/16-inch bronze star will denote subsequent awards.

NOTE: Reservists who were recalled to active duty, such as for Operation DESERT STORM, must fulfill requirements for active duty personnel. Any period of more than 90 days is considered active duty.

21. Navy Recruiting Service Ribbon

a. Authorization. Established by SECNAV on 2 February 1989. SECNAV letter NDBDM/0087 of 21 February 1997 (NOTAL) made award retroactive to 1 July 1973.

b. Eligibility Requirements

(1) General. Awarded to officer and enlisted personnel of the United States Navy and Naval Reserve, to include Active Duty for Special Work (ADSW) personnel (formally TEMAC) in support of recruiting and Naval Reserve personnel assigned to those activities listed below.

Navy Recruiting Command, Washington, DC
 Navy Recruiting Areas
 Navy Recruiting Districts
 Navy Recruiting Exhibit Center (disestablished May 97)
 Navy Recruiting Orientation Unit, Pensacola, FL
 National Training Team (formerly Mobile Inspection and Training Team (MITT))
 Navy Recruiting Quality Assurance Team, Great Lakes, IL
 Navy Recruiting Youth Program Field Representatives
 Navy Recruiting, Recruit Training Center Liaison Offices
 Navy Recruiting Command Liaison Team, Federal Records Center, St. Louis, MO
 Navy Flight Demonstration Squadron (Blue Angels)
 Navy Balloon Team
 Navy Parachute Team (Leap Frogs)
 Bureau of Naval Personnel (PERS-23) Navy/Naval Reserve

Recruiting Liaison Representatives (disestablished)
 Naval Reserve Recruiting Command, New Orleans, LA
 Naval Reserve Recruiting Command Detachment One,
 Alameda, CA
 Naval Reserve Recruiting Command Detachment Two,
 Great Lakes, IL
 Naval Reserve Recruiting Command Detachment Three,
 Dallas, TX
 Naval Reserve Recruiting Command Detachment Four,
 Orlando, FL
 Naval Reserve Recruiting Command Detachment Five,
 Silver Springs, MD
 Naval Reserve Recruiting Command Detachment Six,
 Scotia, NY
 Naval Reserve Recruiting Command Detachment Seven,
 Denver, CO
 Commander, Naval Reserve Force, Recruiting Liaison
 Representatives
 Director, Candidate Guidance Office, USNA, Navy Academy
 Information Officer Program

NOTE: Prior to February 1989, most eligible Naval Reserve Recruiting personnel were assigned to Unit Identification Codes (UIC's) of Naval Reserve Readiness Commands, Naval Air Stations, Reserve Centers and Naval Air Reserve activities. Eligibility is maintained if personnel were assigned to billets specifically involving recruiting or recruiting support.

(2) Specific. Awarded to non-Career Recruiting Force (CRF) and non-Naval Reserve Canvasser Recruiter (CANREC) personnel upon completion of a successful tour of duty in recruiting and at the recommendation of their commanding officer or officer in charge. CRF personnel, Campus Liaison Officers and Recruiting District Assistance Council members will be eligible for the ribbon upon each completion of 3 consecutive years of recruiting duty. CANREC and Active Duty for Special Work (ADSW) recruiting personnel will also be eligible for the ribbon after completion of 3 consecutive years of combined recruiting duty provided no break in service of more than 60-days occurs during the period.

(3) Definitions. For the purpose of determining eligibility for this award, the following definitions will apply:

(a) Recruiting Duty. Duty performed at any one of, or a combination of, the Navy or Naval Reserve recruiting activities listed above.

(b) Prescribed Tour of Duty. The member's projected rotation date from recruiting as established by the CHNAVPERS for officers and for enlisted, is considered the end of a qualifying tour of duty. Personnel who completed a minimum of 18 months on recruiting duty but who were transferred prior to their original projected rotation date to a non-recruiting activity may submit a waiver request to Commander, Navy Recruiting Command. In the case of Naval Reserve recruiting personnel having at least 2 consecutive years of recruiting duty who are recalled USN or TAR prior to completing 3 years of recruiting duty, a waiver request may be submitted, via the recruiting chain of command at the time of service, to Commander, Naval Reserve Recruiting Command. Personnel who were fault transferred from recruiting duty or who were not recommended for continuation and who were subsequently terminated in the case of Naval Reserve Canvasser Recruiters, are not eligible for the Navy Recruiting Service Ribbon and waivers will not be considered.

(c) Successful Tour. For the purpose of this instruction, a successful tour is defined as completing the prescribed tour of duty as outlined in (3)(b), with the exception that Naval Reserve CANREC and ADSW personnel may combine consecutive recruiting periods of either recruiting program provided that no break in service exceeding 60-days occurs during the 3-year period.

c. Subsequent Awards. Second and subsequent awards will be denoted by 3/16-inch bronze stars. A 3/16-inch silver star will be worn in lieu of a sixth award. The award consists of a ribbon bar only. No citation or certificate will be issued.

d. Awarding Authority. Commanding officers determine eligibility from service records, affidavits or upon completion of eligibility requirements at current command and make appropriate service record entries for enlisted personnel and issue letters of eligibility for officer personnel. Situations not covered in this article should be addressed to the Commander, Navy Recruiting Command.

e. Retroactive Awards. The Navy Recruiting Service Ribbon will be awarded retroactive to 1 July 1973.

22. Marine Corps Recruiting Service Ribbon (MCRR)

a. Eligible Personnel. Marines possessing MOS 8411 or 8412 who have served in a MOS 8411 or 8412 billet are eligible to receive the Marine Corps Recruiting Service Ribbon.

b. Eligible members must meet the following criteria:

(1) Recruiters. Marines assigned to recruiting duty (MOS 8411) will be eligible to receive the ribbon upon completion of a successful tour of duty. A Marine who extends beyond the basic tour of duty will be eligible for the award upon completion of the extension period. Marines returning for subsequent tours will be eligible for subsequent awards upon completion of each tour. A recruiter who becomes a career recruiter will be eligible to receive the ribbon upon assignment of the MOS 8412.

(2) Extended Active Duty (EAD) Recruiters. EAD recruiters (MOS 8411) will be eligible to receive the ribbon upon completion of 36 months of consecutive service in an 8411 billet. Subsequent awards will be issued for each successful 36 month period.

(3) Career Recruiters. A new award period for career recruiters will begin on the date which they receive the 8412 MOS. They will be eligible to receive subsequent awards upon the completion of each 36-month period following that date.

(4) Command recruiters and recruiter aides are not eligible for this award.

c. For the purpose of determining eligibility for this ribbon, the following definitions will apply:

(1) Recruiting Duty. Duty performed in an 8411 or 8412 billet as set forth in the table of organization. Duty performed at the recruiting station level in the billet of USMC RS CO, XO, OPSO, OSO, or SGTMAJ.

(2) Prescribed Tour of Duty. A Marine's date of detachment from recruiting duty is considered the end of a

qualifying tour of duty. Personnel who were transferred prior to their original projected rotation date are authorized to receive this award if they complete a minimum of 30 months on recruiting duty. Personnel who were transferred due to relief for cause or relief for the good of the Service from recruiting duty are not eligible for the ribbon. Requests for waivers of the 30-month requirement should be sent to CG MCRC, 2 Navy Annex, Washington DC 20380-1775, for decision.

(3) Successful Tour. Completion of the prescribed tour of duty as outlined in paragraph 22c(2).

d. Precedence and Subsequent Awards. The Marine Corps Recruiting Ribbon will be worn after the Navy and Marine Corps Overseas Service Ribbon and before the MCDIR. Second and subsequent awards will be denoted by 3/16-inch bronze stars. A 3/16-inch silver star will be worn in lieu of the sixth award. The award consists of a ribbon bar only. No citation or certificate will be issued.

e. Retroactive Awards. The Marine Corps Recruiting Ribbon will be awarded retroactive to 01 January 1973, reflecting the establishment of the all volunteer force.

f. Awarding Authority and Action by Commanding Officers. Authority to award the Marine Corps Recruiting Ribbon is delegated to COs. For those individuals currently on recruiting duty, ensure recruiters have met all criteria set forth above and record issuance of the award in the Marine's Service Record Book/Officer Qualification Record. For those personnel not currently on recruiting duty, but who previously served on recruiting duty, determine eligibility from the members service record and, if eligible, award the ribbon.

23. Marine Corps Drill Instructor Ribbon. (MCDIR)

a. Eligible Personnel. Marines possessing the 8511 MOS who have served in an 8511 billet are eligible to receive the MCDIR. In addition, Marines in the following billets are eligible to receive the award:

(1) Recruiting Training Battalion - CO/XO/S-3/SGTMAJ

(2) Officer Candidate Company - CO/XO/First Sergeant Company Gunnery Sergeant/Platoon Commanders

b. Award Criteria

(1) Drill Instructor. Marines assigned to drill instructor duty (MOS 8511) will be eligible to receive the ribbon upon completion of a successful tour of duty. A Marine who extends beyond the basic tour of duty will be eligible for the award upon completion of the extension period. Marines returning for subsequent tours as drill instructor will be eligible for subsequent awards upon completion of each tour.

(2) Additional Billets. Marines assigned in those billets listed in paragraph 23a above will be eligible to receive the ribbon upon completion of a successful assignment.

(3) Posthumous Awards. The MCDIR may be awarded posthumously without regard to period of service.

c. Definitions. For the purpose of determining eligibility for this award, the following definitions apply:

(1) Drill Instructor. Duty performed in an 8511 MOS billet as set forth in the Table of Organization.

(2) Prescribed Tour of Duty

(a) Drill Instructor. The Marine's projected detachment date from drill instructor duty is considered the end of a qualifying tour of duty. Personnel who transfer prior to their original projected rotation date are authorized to receive this award if they completed a minimum of 20 months (for those who received their 8511 MOS before December 1996) or 30 months (for those who receive their 8511 MOS on or after 1 December 1996) for drill instructor duty. Personnel who were transferred due to Relief for Cause or Relief for Good of the Service from Drill Instructor duty are not eligible for this award.

(b) Those Marines serving in the additional billets as outlined in paragraph 23a above are required to serve a total of 18 cumulative months in those billets in order to be eligible for the ribbon.

(3) Successful Tour. A successful tour is defined as completing the prescribed tour of duty as outlined in paragraph 23c(2).

d. Waivers. Request for waiver of eligibility criteria or questions regarding a successful tour of duty should be sent to the Commanding General of the respective Marine Corps Recruit Depot, or in the case of Officer Candidate School to the President, Marine Corps University/Commanding General, Education Command, for decision.

e. Precedence and Subsequent Awards. The MCDIR will be worn after the MCRR and before the MSGR. Second and subsequent awards will be denoted by 3/16-inch bronze stars. The award consists of a ribbon bar only. No citation or certificate will be issued.

f. Retroactive Awards. The MCDIR will be awarded retroactive to 06 October 1952.

g. Awarding Authority. Authority to award the MCDIR is delegated to commanding officers. The two digit code for entry into SRB/OQR is DI.

24. Marine Corps Security Guard Ribbon (MSGR)

a. Eligible Personnel. Marines possessing MOS 8151 who are serving with the Marine Security Guard Battalion (MSGBN) or previously served with the MSGBN in MOS 8151 billets are eligible to receive the MSGR. MCGBN personnel are also eligible to receive the ribbon; however, personnel serving at the Headquarters, MSGBN are not eligible. Additionally, the following personnel are also eligible to receive the MSGR:

(1) Training Personnel: DIR of MSG School/BN COMDR; OIC of MSG School; Operations Officer MSGBN; Assistant OPS Officer MSGBN; and SGTMAJ of MSGBN.

(2) Command Personnel: Lettered Company CDR/XO/OPS Inspecting Officers/1STSGTs; and MSGBN XO.

b. Award Criteria

(1) Marines assigned to Marine Security Guard duty (MOS 8151) will be eligible to receive the ribbon upon completion of 24 months service at a foreign service establishment. Subsequent awards will be made for every 24 months served, either consecutively or cumulatively.

(2) Marines who served successful tours at a lettered company headquarters within MSGBN or HQ MSGBN, Quantico are not eligible to receive this award.

(3) Posthumous Awards. The MCDIR may be awarded posthumously without regard to period of service.

(4) Marines transferred early for the good of the Marine Corps must serve a minimum of 12 months on the program before qualifying for the award. Personnel relieved 'for cause' from the duty will not be eligible for the ribbon.

c. Definition. For the purpose of determining eligibility for this award, the following definition applies:

Marine Security Guard Duty. Duty performed at a Department of State overseas post in an 8151 MOS billet after graduation from the Marine Security Guard School at MSGBN Headquarters. This includes Company D located in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

d. Precedence and Subsequent Awards. The MSGR will be after the MCDIR and before the AFRM. Second and subsequent awards will be denoted by 3/16-inch bronze stars. A 3/16-inch silver star will be worn in lieu of the sixth award. The award consists of a ribbon bar only. No citation or certificate will be issued.

e. Retroactive Awards. The MSGR will be awarded retroactive to 28 Jan 49, the date which the first MSGs departed Washington DC for their overseas assignments. One award is authorized for the periods 28 Jan 49 to 15 Aug 74, regardless of qualifying periods.

f. Awarding Authority. Authority to award the MSGR is delegated to commanding officers.

g. Action by Commanding Officers. For those individuals currently serving on MSG duty, commanding officers will ensure they have met all criteria set forth above and will record an entry in the Marine's service record book denoting the issuance of the award. For those personnel not currently on MSG duty, commanding officers shall determine eligibility from the member's service record and, if eligible, award the ribbon.

h. Waivers. Requests for waivers will be submitted to Commanding Officer, MSGBN, Quantico, VA.

25. Navy Recruit Training Service Ribbon

a. Authorization. Established by SECNAV 13 March 1998.

b. Eligibility Requirements.

(1) General. Awarded to enlisted personnel of the United States Navy assigned to Recruit Training Command (RTC), Naval Training Center, Great Lakes.

(2) Specific. Awarded to personnel serving as Recruit Division Commander (RDC) upon completion of a successful tour of duty.

(3) Definitions. For the purpose of determining eligibility for this award, the following definitions apply:

(a) Recruit Training Service Duty. Personnel assigned as RDC. Support personnel, company assistants, echelon supervisors, liaison officers, instructors, or other personnel attached to RTC are not eligible for this award.

(b) Successful Tour of Duty. The RDC must have completed a minimum of five divisions trained over a minimum tour length of 3 years.

(c) Personal Standards. The RDC must have maintained outstanding personal standards without disciplinary incidents throughout the tour.

(d) Prescribed Time Period. Tour completion must be as of 01 October 1995.

c. Examples of Qualifying Service.

(1) An RDC completes his/her tour on 30 September 1995. Not eligible due to tour completion date; no waivers.

(2) An RDC successfully completes a 4-year tour which started on 01 October 1992. Eligible; other parameters being met his/her tour completion date is after 01 October 1995.

(3) An RDC trains three divisions and then moves to a billet as Instructor or battalion staff. Not eligible due to minimum divisions trained; minimum is five.

(4) An RDC trains 14 divisions from 30 September 1994 to 20 August 1997, and is medically released from duty or the service. Not eligible; the tour is less than 3 years.

(5) An RDC trains 6 divisions from October 1991 to October 1993, moves to Recruit Liaison from October 1993 to October 1995, and moves back to RDC for three more divisions from October 1995 to October 1996. Eligible; all other parameters met, 5-year tour and over five divisions.

(6) An RDC completes nine divisions in 3 years after 01 October 1995, but received non-judicial punishment during the tour; not eligible for disciplinary reasons.

(7) An RDC completes nine divisions in 3 years after 01 October 1995, but sporadically did not meet Physical Readiness standards; eligibility determined by CO RTC. The outstanding personal standards, i.e. a non-disciplinary item, are determined by the awarding authority.

d. Precedence and Subsequent Awards. The Navy Recruit Training Service Ribbon will be worn after the Recruiting Service Ribbon and before the Armed Forces Reserve Medal. Second and subsequent awards will be denoted by 3/16-inch bronze stars. No citation or certificate will be issued.

e. Awarding Authority. The Commanding Officer of RTC is designated as the awarding authority.

f. Retroactive Awards. This award will not be approved for tours completed prior to 1 October 1995 under any circumstances.

26. Armed Forces Reserve Medal (AFRM)

a. Authorization. E.O. 10163, 25 September 1950, as amended by E.O. 10439, 19 March 1953.

b. Eligibility Requirements. Issued to any officer or enlisted member or former member of the Reserve Components of the Armed Forces of the United States who completes or has

completed a total of 10 years of honorable satisfactory service, under the following conditions:

(1) The required 10 years must have been performed within a period of 12 consecutive years.

(2) Such service shall not include service in a Regular component of the Armed Forces; however, any period of time during which Reserve service is interrupted by service in a Regular component of the Armed Forces (including Naval Academy Midshipman service) shall not be considered a break in the said period of 12 consecutive years but will not count as qualifying service.

(3) Any period during which Reserve service is interrupted by one or more of the following will be excluded in computing, but will not be considered as a break in the period of 12-years:

(a) During a tenure of office as any State official chosen by the voters of the entire state, territory, or possession.

(b) During tenure of office as a member of the legislative body of the United States or of any state, territory, or possession.

(c) While serving as judge of a court of record of the United States, or of any state, territory, possession, or the District of Columbia.

(4) Service in the Retired Reserve (with or without pay), or on the Inactive Status List shall not count toward eligibility.

(5) U.S. Naval Reserve Midshipmen are not eligible, after 1 July 1950, for the medal since they are not in a position to earn 50 points per anniversary year.

(6) Reserve Aviation Cadet time is considered to fulfill the requirements for this medal subsequent to 1 July 1950, since such Reservists are on active duty and are thus earning the yearly 50 points.

(7) In order to achieve a year of honorable satisfactory service, a Reservist must accumulate during each anniversary year of service subsequent to 30 June 1949, a total of at least 50 retirement points. All honorable service prior to 1 July 1949, active or inactive, as a member of a Reserve component of the Armed Forces is qualifying service. The 50 required points may be accumulated by one of the following methods, or by any combination thereof, and the points will be credited on the basis indicated:

(a) One point for each authorized drill period in an organized or volunteer unit.

(b) One point for each period of appropriate duty, or equivalent instruction, or equivalent duty.

(c) One point for each day of training duty, served with or without pay.

(d) One point for each day of active duty.

(e) A varying number of points for completion of each correspondence course.

(f) Members of a Reserve component are credited with points for such membership at a rate of 15 points per year or proportional part thereof provided that they are not on active duty, the Inactive-Status, or the Honorary Retired List of the Naval and Marine Corps Reserve.

(8) Naval Reserve personnel who, prior to 12 September 1958, were eligible to receive the Naval Reserve Medal, may at their election be awarded in lieu thereof the Armed Forces Reserve Medal, provided they have met the foregoing requirements; however, both medals shall not be awarded for the same period of service.

(9) Marine Corps Reserve personnel who, until 17 December 1965, are eligible to receive the Marine Corps Reserve Ribbon, may at their election be awarded in lieu thereof the Armed Forces Reserve Medal, provided they have met the foregoing requirements; however, both awards shall not be issued for the same period of service.

(10) Marine Corps Reserve personnel serving in a Full

Time Support (FTS) billet may continue to count service for the award to which they were qualifying for upon entering in FTS but may not commence a new period of qualifying service.

c. Hour Glass and M Devices

(1) Upon completion of the first 10-year period, a bronze hour glass shall be awarded for the AFRM. Upon completion of the second 10-year period, a silver hour glass shall be awarded. Upon completion of the third 10-year period, a gold hour glass shall be awarded. Upon completion of the fourth 10-year period, a gold hour glass followed by a bronze shall be awarded.

(2) Executive Order 13013 authorizes the M Device for the AFRM for participation in designated contingency operations. Members must have been mobilized as a unit or individual and performed active duty on or after 01 August 1990 as follows:

(a) The member was called to active service under Sections 12301(A), 12302, 12304, 12406 of Title 10 U.S.C. (formerly Sections 672(A), 673, 673(B), 3500, and 8500) or Chapter 15 of Title 10 U.S.C.

(b) The member volunteered and served on active duty in support of the designated operations.

(c) Designated operations include:

DESERT SHIELD/DESERT STORM (Persian Gulf War)
 RESTORE HOPE (Somalia)
 UPHOLD DEMOCRACY (Haiti)
 JOINT ENDEAVOR (Bosnia)

(d) Upon qualification, a bronze M shall be awarded for wear on the AFRM. A bronze numeral indicating the number of the award shall be included after the initial award. Multiple periods of service during one contingency shall count as only one M Device award (no additional numerals). The ribbon is authorized upon receipt of the M Device despite having served less than ten years.

d. Appropriate Wear of the Ribbon

(1) Only one AFRM is authorized for any one person.

(2) Not entitled to M Device, entitled to AFRM: AFRM with appropriate bronze/silver/gold hour glass centered on the ribbon bar and suspension ribbon.

(3) Not otherwise entitled to AFRM, entitled to the M Device: AFRM worn with M Device centered on the ribbon bar and suspension ribbon.

(4) Entitled to M Device and AFRM: M Device is centered and appropriate hour glass is to wearer's right on the ribbon bar and suspension ribbon.

(5) Entitled to numerous M Devices and AFRM: M Device centered, appropriate hour glass to wearer's right, and bronze arabic numeral to the wearer's left on the ribbon bar and suspension ribbon. Numerals begin with the second award (2).

e. Active guard and reserve members who receive orders changing their current duty status (legal authority under which they perform duty) or their duty location or assignment to support a designated contingency operation are eligible for the award of the M Device. All components of the Naval Reserve (i.e., TAR, ADSW, O4R, and CANREC) are eligible for the M Device provided all other eligibility requirements are met.

f. Awarding Authority. Commanding officers determine eligibility from service records, affidavits or upon completion of eligibility requirements at current command/activity and make appropriate service record entries for enlisted personnel and issue letters of eligibility for officer personnel. Questions regarding eligibility are addressed via Commander, Naval Reserve Force to CNO (N09B13).

27. Kosovo Campaign Medal (KCM)

a. Authorization. Joint Chiefs of Staff 12 May 2000.

b. Eligibility requirements. Issued to officer and enlisted members of the U.S. Armed Forces participating in or in direct support of Kosovo operations within the established areas of eligibility (AOE) under the following conditions:

(1) Under operational orders, participated in or served in direct support of the following Kosovo operations:

Allied Force	24Mar99 - 10Jun99
Joint Guardian	04Apr99 - TBD
Allied Harbor	04Apr99 - 01Sep99
Sustain Hope	04Apr99 - 10Jul99
Shining Hope	04Apr99 - 10Jul99
Noble Anvil	24Mar99 - 20Ju99
Task Force Hawk	05Apr99 - 24Jun99
Task Force Saber	31Mar99 - 08Jul99
Task Force Falcon	11Jun99 - TBD per Joint Guardian
Task Force Hunter	01Apr99 - 01Nov99

(2) Served in the following campaign AOE(s):

(a) Kosovo Air Campaign: 24Mar99 - 10Jun99; total land and air space of Serbia (including Kosovo), Montenegro, Albania, Macedonia, Bosnia, Croatia, Hungary, Romania, Greece, Bulgaria, Italy, Slovenia, and the waters and air space of the Adriatic and Ionian Seas north of the 39th latitude.

(b) Kosovo Defense Campaign: 11Jun99 - TBD; total land and air space of Serbia (including Kosovo), Montenegro, Albania, Macedonia, and the waters and air space of the Adriatic Sea within 12 nautical miles of the Montenegro, Albania, and Croatia coastlines south of 42 Degrees 52 Minutes North latitude.

(3) As bona fide members of an operational unit, served

(a) 30 consecutive days in the AOE per Para. (2)(b),

(b) or 60 non-consecutive days per Para. (2)(b),

(c) or was engaged in actual combat, or duty equally as hazardous, during the operation with armed opposition, regardless of the time in the AOE,

(d) or was wounded, injured, or required medical evacuation from the AOE regardless of the time in AOE,

(e) or as regularly assigned aircrew members flying sorties into, out of, within or over the AOE in direct support of the military operations, for example - RECON, TARCAP, or ESM missions subject to AAA and SAM, as opposed to administrative or logistical flights within secure areas.

(4) Direct support is defined as services being supplied by ground units, ships, or aircraft provided it actually involves entering the AOE, including ships and aircraft providing fire, patrol, guard, reconnaissance, or other military support. A unit that was not specifically assigned to support the above listed operations or was not subject to combat conditions must request approval via their operational command to Commander in Chief, U.S. Naval Forces, Europe (CINCUSNAVEUR).

(5) SECDEF approved the award to the following naval vessels as an exception to policy: USS Norfolk, USS Miami, USS Albuequerque, USS Nicholson, USS Philippine Sea, and USS Gonzalez.

c. Service Stars. One bronze service star shall be worn on the suspension ribbon and service ribbon for qualified participation during each campaign period listed in Para. (2)(b). Members must meet the requirements of 30/60 days for each campaign or only one star is worn.

d. The final authority for questions of eligibility is CINCUSNAVEUR via the unit's operational command. No waivers to the basic criteria are authorized.

e. The precedence of the KCM is below the SWASM and above the AFSM.