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MEMORANDUM FOR CAP/CAP/ED
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IN TURN

FROM: DP

SUBJECT: Comments on Draft CAPR 39-3, *Award of CAP Medals, Ribbons, and Certificates*

1. The draft change to CAPR 39-3 was posted on the NHQ web site for comments 25 February 2009 through 27 March 2009.

a. Comments received and incorporated in final draft (acceptable to OPR and Volunteer Advisor):

Paragraph 6: Include information on placement of devices

Paragraph 8b, c and d: Include the CAP Achievement Award

Paragraph 9f: Suggested clarifying whether only one star was authorized or only one star of each type was authorized on the ribbon.

Paragraph 9h: Include additional information on repetitive life saving awards

Paragraph 9(i) and (j): Suggested clarifying who was authorized to wear the ribbon once the individual had transferred out of the unit receiving the award.

Paragraph 15a: Include reference that the CAP Membership Award can only be earned once.

Paragraph 15c: Include statement that a ribbon does not accompany this award.

Paragraph 21(c): Suggested removing the reference to pilot and observer.

Paragraph 21d: Include information on repetitive awards and maximum number of devices to be worn.

Paragraph 21g: Include information on repetitive awards.

Paragraph 20d: Update list of National Special Activities that qualify for the Special Activities Ribbon.

Paragraph 21i: Include information on how to count participation of those not part of the aircrew or ground team. Used the same formula previously approved for Air Search and Rescue Ribbon.

Paragraphs 34 and 35: Change the submission date to 15 March to be in line with other annual award submissions.

Paragraph 46: Removed reference to the Radio Operator Certificate of Proficiency which is no longer awarded.

Attachment 1: Updated references to include CAPR 100-1.

Attachment 2 and 3: Update the list of ribbons authorized for wear.

b. Comments received and not incorporated in final draft:

Paragraph 2d: Recommend changing the level of approving authority from the Region Commander to the Wing Commander. *Policy change not previously approved.*

Paragraph 3: Suggest authorizing military ribbons earned as a civilian. *This is a policy change not previously approved.*

Paragraph 6: Suggest information on repetitive awards should include mention of other devices worn on ribbons. *These devices are listed in other portions of the regulation and could cause confuse concerning the purpose of their wear since they do not reflect repetitive earning of awards.*

Paragraph 20d: Suggest the Special Activities Ribbon be worn by members who participated in special activities in the 1960s prior to the establishment of this ribbon. *This is a policy change not previously approved.*

Paragraph 21f: Suggest combining paragraph 21f ad g in to one paragraph. *Felt it would be confusing since there is different criteria for earning each.*

Paragraph 20i: Suggest authorizing this ribbon for individuals competing in cadet competitions prior to the establishment of the regulation. *This is a policy change not previously approved.*

Paragraph 25: Suggest the Director of Finance of the Year award be open to finance officers at all levels. *This is a policy change that would require National Board approval.*

Paragraph 34 and 35: Suggest stating that there is no ribbon associated with these awards. *Not necessary since these items are listed in the special awards and honors section.*

Suggest including the wear of shoulder cords in this regulation. *Not appropriate since shoulder cords are not an award.*

Suggest including sample award recommendations. *This information is being included in a new pamphlet.*

Suggest the creation of a ribbon and miniature medal for the Senior and Cadet of the Year. *This is a policy change not previously approved.*

//Signed//
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Chief, Personnel and Member Actions