

1. PURPOSE: This policy describes the procedures for the Military Police Regimental Association (herein referred to as Organization) Awards Program.

2. BACKGROUND: The organization's Order of the Marechausee was officially established in 2000, the Order of the Vivandieres in 2005 and the Friend of the Regiment in 2018. The awards are to recognize exceptional dedication, competence and contributions to the Military Police Corps Regiment over an extended period. The Marechausee awards were created with Gold, Silver, Bronze and Steel levels of recognition. The first Marechausee award was presented on September 29, 2000, the first Vivandieres award on January 1, 2006, the first Friend of the Regiment award on September 29, 2018 and the first Steel award on August 21, 2019.

3. APPLICABILITY: The organization's mission is to promote the history and preserve the traditions of the Military Police Corps Regiment while supporting Military Police leadership, Soldiers, civilians and families Army wide. The awards recognize a high degree of professionalism, standards of integrity, morality and esprit-de-corps consistent with the long-standing history and traditions of our Regiment. It is the policy of the organization to practice equal opportunity regarding the awards program. All considerations will be made without regard to race, creed, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability or any other circumstance prohibited by statute.

4. DEFINITIONS:

A. The Gold award will be presented throughout the year by recommendations from the field, like all other MPRA awards and approved by the Chief of the Military Police Corps Regiment. Nominees must have performed service to the Regiment beyond 25 years, held key positions of strategic significance, served admirably and made a considerable and lasting impact to the Regiment, both in and out of military service. Since this is the highest Regimental award that one can achieve, Commandants will ensure that due diligence of those being nominated are of the highest character and performed considerable accomplishments to and for the Regiment.

"Please know that this award is the highest possible award in the MPRA Regimental Award system and approval of nominations will reflect the prestige deserving of the award. Bottom-line, it is a very high bar of achievement, over a long period of time where the individual has made exceptional meritorious contributions that led to significant positive impacts for the Regiment." MP6!

B. A Silver award nominee must have performed service to the Regiment for at least 20 years. Nominees must have an outstanding and positive impact in various positions of increased responsibility during their period of service. Recommended individuals must clearly stand out from their peers in the opinions of their superiors, subordinates and peers alike.

C. A Bronze award nominee must have performed service to the Regiment for at least 10 years. Nominees must have an outstanding and positive impact in various positions of increased responsibility during their period of service. Recommended individuals must clearly stand out from their peers in the opinions of their superiors, subordinates and peers alike.

D. A Steel award nominee must have performed service to the Regiment and have less than 10 years of service. Nominees must have made an outstanding and positive impact in various positions of increased responsibility and not an individual act. Recommended individuals must clearly stand out from their peers in the opinions of their superiors, subordinates and peers alike.

E. All Vivandieres and Friend of the Regiment award nominees must clearly stand out from their peers in support of the Regiment, its Soldiers and / or its Families. Both awards will be evaluated and approved on a case by case basis by the Military Police School leadership.

F. Requestor: For all Regimental Association awards the requestor must be a current standard member of the organization.

G. Endorser: For all awards, except the Friend of the Regiment, the endorser must be a Military Police Colonel, Deputy Commandant, Military Police Nominative Command or Staff Sergeant Major, Chief Warrant Officer Five and a current standard member. For the Friend of the Regiment award the endorser must be a Military Police Lieutenant Colonel or as previously stated above.

H. Approval Authority: All approved Regimental Association Awards must be endorsed by the Regimental Command Sergeant Major and Regimental Chief Warrant Officer and approved by the Chief of the Military Police Corps Regiment.

5. RESPONSIBILITIES:

A. The Executive Director oversees the program.

B. The Business Manager facilitates the processing of each award. This includes verifying membership status, preparing the staffing packet, processing payment, ordering the engraved medal and shipping of the award.

6. PROCEDURES:

A. Nominations packets are submitted by mail or electronic methods.

B. Nominations are endorsed by the Regimental Command Sergeant Major and Regimental Chief Warrant Officer and approved by the Chief of the Military Police Corps Regiment.

C. Nominations must be substantiated based on first-hand knowledge or documented research of the nominee's exceptional dedication, competence and contribution to the Regiment.

D. Nomination packets must contain the request form, narrative and endorsement by the personnel identified in paragraph 4. The cost of the awards includes the engraved award medallion, lapel pin, display box, certificate and applicable shipping rates.

- (1) Gold Award - \$100.00
- (2) Silver Award - \$75.00
- (3) Bronze and Steel Awards - \$50.00
- (4) Order of the Vivandieres - \$35.00
- (5) Friend of the Regiment - \$50.00

E. Only nominations for individuals will be accepted.

F. The organization encourages all its members to help promote these unique awards that recognize outstanding and deserving members of our Regiment.

7. AWARD CEREMONY AND WEAR:

A. Presentation of the awards should be conducted during very special events such as formal dinners and similar affairs. It should be conducted in a fashion to military award presentations. It should be presented by the highest-ranking Military Police Officer or Command Sergeant Major available. The Chief of the Regiment reserves the right to present the awards in the USAMPS footprint. Requests for a non-Military Police to present the award must be submitted to the Regimental leadership and receive prior approval from the Chief of the Regiment. The Chief of the Regiment reserves the right to present all Gold awards or will specifically designate a representative to present on their behalf.

B. Army Regulation 670-1 defines a badge as an award to an individual for identification purposes or for attaining a special skill or proficiency. Also, included are badges of civic and quasi-military societies of the United States and international organizations of a military nature. These include badges of organizations originally composed of members who served in a U.S. force during the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, the Mexican War, the Civil War, the Spanish-American War, the Philippine Insurrection and the Chinese Relief Expedition of 1900. These also include badges (such as medallions) issued by military (regimental) associations. The badges are worn only while the wearer is attending meetings or functions of such organizations or on

occasions of ceremony (as authorized by the commander). Personnel will not wear in a manner that brings discredit to the MP Corps.

C. Department of the Army Pamphlet 670-1 further states that it is worn with the neckband ribbon around the neck, outside the shirt collar and inside the coat collar with the medal hanging over the necktie.

D. Army Blue and Mess Uniforms: The Medal will be worn with the ribbon around the neck outside the shirt collar and inside the coat collar. The medal should hang at the full length of the ribbon.

E. Army Service Uniform: The medal will be worn with the ribbon around the neck outside the shirt collar and inside the coat collar. The medal will hang over the four-in-hand necktie near the collar and above the top button of the coat or just under the bow tie or neck tab near the collar and above the top button of the coat.

F. Civilian Attire: Men will wear the Medal around their neck with the ribbon over the shirt collar and inside the coat collar. Whether it is worn with a bow tie or necktie the medal should hang at the full length of the ribbon. When the necktie is worn the medal will hang over the tie. Women will wear the Medal around their neck with the medal hanging the full length of the ribbon.

G. Authorized foreign neck decorations are always worn beneath the Medal of Honor.

Approved by the National Board of Directors.

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