

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 Marechaussee 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 Marechaussee awards were created with Gold, Silver, Bronze, and Steel levels of recognition. The first Marechaussee 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 nominee must have performed service to the Regiment for at least 25 years as a 31-series, 311A, job series 1811 CID Special Agent, 0083 Police Officer (Soldier or Civilian), or 0085 Security Guard, and/or held key positions of strategic significance, served admirably, and made a considerable and lasting impact to the Regiment, both in and or out of military service. Acts of valor, regardless of the number of years of service to the Regiment, will be considered.

b. A Silver award nominee must have performed service to the Regiment for at least 20 years as a 31-series, 311A, job series 1811 CID Special Agent, 0083 Police Officer (Soldier or Civilian), or 0085 Security Guard, and/or held key positions of strategic significance, served admirably, and made a considerable and lasting impact to the Regiment, both in and or out of military service. Acts of valor, regardless of the number of years of service to the Regiment, will be considered.

c. A Bronze award nominee must have performed service to the Regiment for at least 10 years as a 31-series, 311A, job series 1811 Special Agent, 0083 Police Officer (Soldier or Civilian), or 0085 Security Guard, and/or held key positions of strategic significance, served admirably, and made a considerable and lasting impact to the Regiment, both in and or out of military service. Acts of valor, regardless of the number of years of service to the Regiment, will be considered.

d. A Steel award nominee must have performed service to the Regiment and have less than 10 years of service as a 31-series, 311A, job series 1811 CID Special Agent, 0083 Police Officer (Soldier or Civilian), or 0085 Security Guard, and/or held key positions of strategic significance, served admirably, and made a considerable and lasting impact to the Regiment, both in and or out of military service. Acts of valor, regardless of the number of years of service to the Regiment, will be considered.

e. Vivandieres and Friend of the Regiment award nominees are to recognize individuals who voluntarily make significant contributions to the morale, welfare, and spirit of Soldiers and family members in various facets of the Military Police Corps Regiment or for those who have supported the Regiment as other than a Military Police Soldier or Civilian.

f. Nominee and Requestor: For all levels of the Marechaussee awards the nominee and 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 Nominative Staff Sergeant Major, Chief Warrant Officer Five and they must be a current standard member of the organization. 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 regimental association award requests 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. Only nominations for individuals will be accepted

b. Nomination packets are submitted by mail or electronic methods.

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. 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.

e. Nomination packets must contain the request form, narrative and endorsement by the personnel identified in paragraph 4g. 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 Award - \$50.00

(4) Steel Award - \$25.00

(4) Friend of the Regiment - \$50.00

(5) Order of the Vivandieres - \$50.00

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 award should be conducted during exceptional events such as formal dinners and similar affairs. It should be shown in like fashion as military award presentations. The highest-ranking Military Police Officer or Command Sergeant Major or appropriate civilian equivalent available will present the award. The Chief of the Regiment reserves the right to present the awards in the USAMPS footprint. Requests for a non-Military Police member 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 to identify or attain a particular 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 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 authorized wearing of the medal is 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 Military Police Corps.

c. Department of the Army Pamphlet 670-1 further states that it will be 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 neckband outside the shirt collar and inside the coat collar. The Medal should hang at the entire 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, neck tab near the collar, and above the top button of the coat.

f. Civilian Attire: Men will wear the award 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 entire 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 entire length of the ribbon.

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