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COMMANDANT OF MIDSHIPMEN INSTRUCTION 10123.1D

From: Commandant of Midshipmen

Subj: AUTHORIZATION TO WEAR CRAFTMASTER INSIGNIA

Ref: (a) MILPERSMAN 1200-040  
(b) DIVPRODEVINST 3511.1K  
(c) USNAINST 3500.2B  
(d) NAVPERS 15665I (U.S. Navy Uniform Regs 1995)  
(e) COMDTMIDNINST 1020.3 (Midn Uniform Regs)

1. Purpose. To issue instructions concerning requirements and procedures for authorization to wear the Craftmaster Insignia. No special markings appear since changes are extensive.
2. Cancellation. COMDTMIDNINST 10123.1C.
3. Background. The U.S. Naval Academy conducts Yard Patrol craft (YP) training cruises which transit the East Coast of the United States during the summer months and during the academic year when the YP Squadron operates. Additionally, Sail Training Craft (STC) conduct training throughout the academic year and cruise and race along the East Coast and offshore during the summer. The responsibility for midshipmen safety during day and night operation in the open seas is shouldered by junior naval officers and midshipmen who are assigned to the Naval Academy and who have qualified as Officers in Charge (OICs) of YPs, STC, or YP Squadron Commanding Officers (COs) respectively. When the YP or STC is on a training cruise out of the immediate Annapolis area, this responsibility is essentially that of a Commanding Officer or a commissioned ship.
4. Objective. The objective of this instruction is to prescribe the criteria for recognizing those officers and midshipmen attached to the Naval Academy who participate in the training cruise program as YP or STC OICs, or as YP Squadron COs.
5. Discussion. Per reference (a), the Naval Academy has the authority to recognize those officers, Chief Petty Officers (CPOs), Petty Officers (POs), and midshipmen who have successfully completed the OIC/STC Skipper/YP Squadron CO qualification program, as set forth in references (b) and (c), by awarding the Craftmaster Insignia.
6. Action. In implementing the provisions of this instruction, the following actions will be carried out:

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a. The Deputy Commandant of Professional Development and Director, Naval Academy Sailing shall, for their respective programs:

(1) Monitor and maintain the standards for qualification outlined in references (d) and (e), ensuring the standards for midshipman qualification are similar to the standards for officer qualification.

(2) Recognize each officer, CPO, PO, or midshipman who has successfully completed the qualification program by authorizing the wearing of the Craftmaster Insignia, per references (d) and (e), for the remainder of their tour at the Naval Academy.

(3) Further recognize those officers or midshipmen who have qualified as YP OIC/Craftmaster/STC Skipper for a period of six months and who have participated in the varsity offshore racing, offshore sailing squadron, or Atlantic Patrol (LANTPAT)/YP Movement Orders by authorizing them to wear the Craftmaster Insignia as a permanent part of the uniform.

b. The Insignia, when authorized, shall be worn per reference (d) for officers, CPOs, POs, and midshipmen. It shall be worn on the active side (right breast) only when the Officer/CPO/PO/midshipman is performing duties as OIC, OTC, STC Skipper or YP Squadron CO in the workup and underway phases of any training cruise (LANTPATRAMID, YP Squadron, OSTS, VOST, etc.). The Craftmaster Insignia replaces the star authorized for YP Squadron COs in Article 3104 of reference (e).

  
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