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**BOAT CAPTAIN'S BADGE**

**1. PURPOSE:**

- a) To prescribe the standard Boat Captain's Badge to be worn by enlisted personnel of the Philippine Coast Guard who are eligible for assignment as Boat Captain or POIC of a small craft of the Philippine Coast Guard
- b) To prescribe the requirements for the award and manner of wearing the aforementioned badge

**2. DEFINITION OF TERMS:** For the purpose of this Circular, the following terms are hereby defined:

- a) Boat Captain – an enlisted person duly designated by appropriate authority as such or as Petty Officer in Charge of PCG small craft, which for the purpose of this circular shall be limited to those craft enumerated in para 4, hereof.
- b) Ready for Sea (RFS) – a craft is considered ready for sea when all her main engines and at least her important motors are operational and the craft is out on operation or can be sent out for operation within four (4) hours notice.
- c) Not Ready for Sea (NRFS) – a craft is considered not ready for sea when undergoing or awaiting major repairs or cannot be sent out for operation within twenty-four (24) hours notice.

**3. TYPE/ DESCRIPTION:**

a) Boat Captain's Badge: A badge made of gold with craft at the center of the steering wheel with-in is the motto "KAHUSAYAN, KATAPANGAN, KATAPATAN" is engraved with two dolphins on both sides located below of the craft facing each other where in the Boat Captain Logo is streamed below the dolphins. The length and width of which are 2.5 cm and 23 cm, respectively. (Annex)

**4. MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:** For an enlisted personnel to qualify for an award under this Circular, he must satisfy the following requirements:

a) Must have an aggregate of 365 days RFS with at least two (2) years as Boat Captain or POIC of any of the following crafts:

1. 65 ft PCF
2. 50 ft PCF
3. 45 ft Coast Guard cutter
4. 46 ft Marcelo (HSB) Patrol Boats
5. Tugboats
6. Other auxiliary/ service craft or not less than 40 tons

b) Must have an accumulative sea duty of not less than eight (8) years excluding detached service (DS).

c) Sea duty must be rated efficient and honorable. The tour of duty of the Boat Captain or POIC may be considered efficient and honorable under the following conditions:

- 1) The craft to which he was assigned as Boat Captain or POIC has not been grounded or involved in any accident or incident due to his own fault, negligence or incompetence.
- 2) He is morally straight and his integrity and loyalty are unquestionable.
- 3) He has meritorious accomplishments as Boat Captain or POIC of a PCG Craft.

**5. ELIGIBILITY:**

a) Upon recommendation by the CGOF Boat Captains Deliberation Board to be appointed by Commander, CGOF, the Boat Captain's Badge is awarded by the Major Unit Commander which administers the craft, in an appropriate order to an enlisted personnel who has satisfied the minimum requirements prescribed in para 4, but subject to the confirmation by CPCG.

b) Enlisted personnel who are eligible to wear the Boat Captain's Badge shall lose their eligibility upon relief of duties as Boat Captain/ POIC for cause. However, they may regain their eligibility after they have subsequently performed successfully as Boat Captain/ POIC of small craft in accordance with the requirements in para 4.

**6. MANNER OF WEARING:**

- a) All enlisted personnel actually performing the duties of a Boat Captain or POIC of a craft, is authorized to wear the Boat Captain's Badge. Upon his relief, he shall cease to wear it unless he satisfies all the requirements cited in para 4 and appropriate orders are issued thereof.
- b) The Boat Captain's Badge shall be worn at all times when in uniform. It is worn one fourth (1/4) inch centrally above the right breast pocket when actually performing the duties of a Boat Captain or POIC of a craft and centrally above the left breast pocket (above the medals/ ribbons if any) when no longer designated as Boat Captain or POIC but has satisfied all the requirements cited in para 4 and covered with appropriate orders.
- c) A miniature replica of the Boat Captain's Badge is authorized to be worn on occasions requiring the wearing of the miniature medals and ribbons.


**7. EFFECTIVITY:**

This circular shall take effect upon approval.

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