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COMMANDANT'S BADGE

I. REFERENCE:

RA 9993 "AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE COAST GUARD AS AN ARMED AND UNIFORMED SERVICE ATTACHED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS, THEREBY REPEALING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 5173, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

II. PURPOSE:

This Circular prescribes the awarding of Commandant's Badge to the future leaders of the Philippine Coast Guard as symbol of authority and responsibility.

III. BACKGROUND:

The PCG as an armed uniformed service is headed by a Commandant who shall carry the rank of Coast Guard Admiral. He is appointed by the President from among the Flag Officers in the Coast Guard service and shall hold a command-at-sea badge and must have served as a District Commander of the PCG. The Commandant shall have a maximum term of three (3) years with the following functions:

a. Advise the President of the Philippines or the Secretary of the DOTC on the promulgation of executive orders, rules and regulations, proclamations and other issuances on matters related to the PCG;

b. Establish policies and standards for the efficient and effective management and operations of the PCG;

c. Promulgate rules and regulations necessary to carry out the objectives, policies, plans, programs and projects of the PCG;

d. Enter into contracts, to the extent as may be allowed by law, for the acquisition of floating, air and subsurface assets, real estate, communications equipment and other necessities relative to the performance of its powers and functions, subject to the limitations prescribed by law, rules and regulations;

e. Receive grants, donations and other forms of assistance from duly constituted organizations and other countries in support of PCG continued development and modernization projects, subject to existing laws rules and regulations; and

f. Perform such other functions as may be provided by law.

The CPCG carries herculean tasks of contributing to the national development by ensuring continuous ensuring flow of commerce of vessels within our territorial jurisdiction.

IV. OBJECTIVES:

- a. To recognize exemplary and noteworthy contribution, outstanding services of the Commandant, PCG.
- b. To provide a significant symbol of leadership to the agency head.

V. SCOPE:

This Circular applies to all PCG Flag rank officers eligible to receive Commandant's badge based on the criteria established for the purpose.

VI. DESCRIPTION:

1. Name: Commandant's Badge
2. To Whom Awarded: Incoming Commandant, Philippine Coast Guard
3. By Whom Awarded: Outgoing Commandant, Philippine Coast Guard
4. Requirement:

Awarded to the newly appointed Commandant of the Philippine Coast Guard or Officer-in-Charge.

5. Description:

a. *Obverse*

1) Blazonry and Tincture

a) Crossed-swords – Superimposed on the anchor in the butts aligned with the base and the lower stocking of barrel crossed on the shank of the anchor with the pointed tips facing upward.

b) Four Stars – It is in gold superimposed on the shack of the anchor at center chief with its two (2) lower stars touching the sword.

c) Anchor with dolphin in the center - It is in gold superimposed by the crossed-swords and four stars.

2) Dimensions

- a) Overall diameter of the badge – 2.7 cm
- b) Height of the anchor – 2.7 cm
- c) Length of each sword – 2.7 cm



- d) Width of anchor – 2.1 cm
- e) Length of shank – 2.3 cm
- f) Width of shank – 0.3 cm
- g) Length of anchor arms -2.0 cm
- h) Width of anchor arms – 0.6 cm
- i) Diameter of stars – 0.8 cm

3) Symbolism and Significance

- a) Anchor with Dolphin in the center – The anchor with dolphin in the center is found in every Coast Guard logo that symbolizes the PCG service.
- b) Crossed swords – Signifies power, leadership and authority
- c) Four Stars – Symbolizes the command.

b. Reverse

Blazonry and Tincture – It shows the plain outline of the badge with the fastening device

c. Other Views (cross-section)

Dimensions:

- 1) Overall thickness of the metal – 2.15 cm
- 2) Thickness of anchor base – 0.2 cm
- 3) Thickness of the star – 0.1 cm
- 4) Thickness of the ruffle – 0.15 cm

d. *Kinds of Materials used and craftsmanship* - It is a gold plated copper or brass in a shiny texture

e. Miniature – 1/2 the size of service ribbon and same color proportion.

6. Illustration/Drawing

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VII. RESPONSIBILITIES:

a) CG-1 in coordination with CG-4 and CG-6 shall be responsible in the programming of funds for the procurement of Commandant's Badge.

b) The current CPCG shall pin the Commandant's Badge to the incoming CPCG/OIC during turn-over ceremony of the Command.

VIII. RESCISSION:

All Policies and publications inconsistent with this circular are hereby rescinded or modified accordingly.

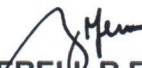
IX. EFFECTIVITY

This Circular shall take effect upon approval.

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