



**INSIGNIA AND MARKING  
for  
AIRCRAFT  
in the  
United States Coast Guard**



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**INSIGNIA AND MARKING:**

1. The words "U.S. COAST GUARD" and under this the plane number shall be painted in black block letters on each side of the hull or fuselage, comparable in the size of the airplane, not to exceed twelve inches in height.

Example: **U.S. COAST GUARD**  
**162**

The number of the airplane shall be applied to the bottom of the hull, forward of the step, in a suitable location which can be readily seen while the plane is in flight, the number to read from forward aft, centered at the keel of the hull, and the tops of the numbers to be on the left side of the hull. On landplanes, this number shall be applied to the bottom of the fuselage in such a location as to be readily seen from the ground when the airplane is in

flight. The size of these numbers shall be comparable in size to the size of the airplane. The size of the letters and numbers shall be submitted to the Commandant U.S. Coast Guard, for approval.

2. The Coast Guard Insignia shall be placed on the forward side of each hull or fuselage in a location approved by the Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard.
3. "U. S. C. G." shall be painted on the right and left underside of a monoplane wing. The letters shall be approximately twenty-four inches in height. On biplanes, this marking shall be applied to, each underside of the lower wing.
4. Letters and numbers shall be of the modified vertical block type and shall be uniform in shape and size. The width of the letters and numbers shall be approximately three quarters of the height and the width of the individual strokes forming them shall be at least one-sixth of the height.
5. All letters and numbers shall be either black or white depending upon the color of the background upon which they are applied. White shall be used on red or blue; black shall be used on white, aluminum or yellow.
6. The upper third of each side of the rudder shall be painted insignia blue with a clear cut horizontal line at the lower boundary. Five vertical stripes of equal width shall be applied to the remaining section of each side of the rudder. The first stripe shall be red, the second white, the third red, the fourth white, and the fifth red.
7. The airplane model designation shall be painted in white in two inch block letters on the upper part of the rudder (on both sides) in the blue field. Example: **JF-2**

## COLOR SCHEME

1. The upper surface of the upper wing, including the upper surface of the ailerons, shall be chrome yellow in color. All other wing surfaces shall be aluminum color. The upper surfaces of the elevator and horizontal stabilizer shall be chrome yellow.
2. The exterior of the hull, wing tip floats, fuselage, cowling, landing gear, nacelles, ring cowl, struts, etc., shall be aluminum in color unless otherwise specified.
3. Steps, walkways and handgrips shall be painted insignia blue or black.

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