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DECORATIONS AND AWARDS  
**LEADERSHIP**  
**AMERICAN SPIRIT HONOR MEDAL**

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*This revision corrects the sponsor's address and changes the eligibility requirements. Local limited supplementation of this regulation is permitted but is not required. If supplements are issued Army Staff Agencies and Army commands will furnish one copy of each to HQDA (DAPC-MSS-A), Alexandria, VA 22332; other commands will furnish one copy of each to the next higher headquarters.*

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**1. General.** The American Spirit Honor Medal is a medallion provided by the Citizens Committee for the Army, Navy and Air Force, Inc., 141 East 88th Street, New York, NY 10028.

**2. Purpose and applicability.** *a.* The medallion has been accepted for use in *basic training* or *one station unit training* at training divisions and centers within continental United States as an award for the display of outstanding qualities of leadership best expressing the American spirit—honor, initiative, loyalty, and high example to comrades in arms; and as a means of promoting closer relationship between the Armed Forces and the civil communities in which the training divisions and centers are located.

*b.* This regulation applies to the Active Army and to members of the Reserve Components while on active duty.

**3. Description** (fig. 1). A bronze medallion, 1 3/8 inches in diameter, on the obverse side a sunburst with the American Eagle rampant, superimposed. Around the perimeter are the words "American Spirit Honor Medal" and in an interior circle the motto of the Citizens Committee for the Army, Navy, and Air Force, Inc.: "Serve with Heart, Head, and Hand". On the reverse side, a

torch held high and the words: "For High Example to Comrades in Arms".

**4. Eligibility to receive.** *a. General.* The American Spirit Honor Medal is awarded to trainees of the United States Army who have had no prior military service and no assignment to a unit other than a Reserve (RFA) or training unit. It is awarded upon completion of basic training or one station unit training to not more than one trainee out of the graduating group at each training center or unit.

*b. Successive awards.* Not more than one American Spirit Honor Medal will be awarded to any individual.

**5. Selection of recipient.** The recipient in each training group will be selected by a board of not less than three commissioned officers, appointed by the commanding officer of the training center or units. Commanders concerned will insure that board members select for the award only those trainees who meet the qualifications set forth in paragraph 2.

**6. Presentation.** Presentation will be made by the commanding general of the installation or his designee.

**7. Wearing.** The American Spirit Honor Medal will not be worn on the uniform.

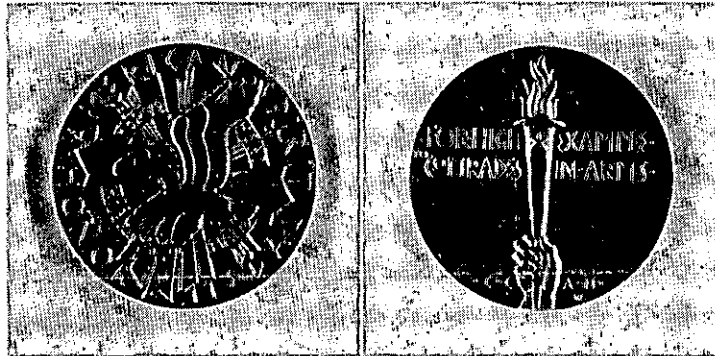
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8. Record. a. Full information concerning the recipient will be furnished by appropriate commanders to the Citizens Committee for the Army, Navy, and Air Force, Inc., at its New York address. Also, an appropriate entry pertaining to the award will be made under "Remarks adminis-

trative" in the service record of each recipient.

b. When no trainee of a graduating class meets the qualifications for the award, the Citizens Committee for the Army, Navy, and Air Force, Inc. will be so advised. Notification will include class number and date of graduation.



Obverse

Reverse

Figure 1. American Spirit Honor Medal.

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