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SECTION I. GENERAL

1. Purpose. This regulation establishes the Army Accident Prevention Awards Program and prescribes policies, procedures, and qualification standards to implement the program.

2. Applicability. This regulation applies to all commands and activities of the Active Army, Army National Guard (ARNG), and US Army Reserve (USAR).

3. References. Required publications are listed below.

a. AR 385-10 (Army Safety Program). Cited in paragraph 7.

b. AR 385-40 (Accident Reporting and Records). Cited in the glossary.

c. AR 672-1 (Award of Trophies and Similar

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Devices in Recognition of Accomplishments). Cited in paragraph 7.

d. AR 672-5-1 (Military Awards). Cited in paragraph 7.

e. AR 672-20 (Incentive Awards). Cited in paragraph 7.

4. Explanation of terms. Special terms used in this regulation are listed in the glossary.

5. Responsibilities. *a.* The Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel (DCSPER) is responsible for the overall supervision of the Army Safety Program.

b. Commanders at all levels will establish and implement procedures for carrying out the awards program.

6. Policy. DA policy is to recognize units and individuals for outstanding accident prevention.

SECTION II. ARMY ACCIDENT PREVENTION AWARDS (GENERAL SAFETY)

7. Procedures. *a.* Commanders of major Army commands (MACOMs) and HQDA agencies will establish Army Accident Prevention Awards Programs. These programs will recognize subordinate elements and individuals who contribute to accident prevention and thereby improve Army operations. Awards will be made to individuals and units based on their overall safety record.

b. The checklist in AR 385-10, appendix B will be used to rate safety programs, or a modified checklist tailored to a specific unit or installation may be used.

c. Other safety awards may be planned and designed in-house or procured locally. In addition to the Army safety awards described in this regulation, awards may be presented to individuals or groups within the limitations of AR 672-1, AR 672-5-1, and AR 672-20.

8. Qualification standards. *a.* The following standards will be used by commanders to recognize achievement in preventing accidents by units or individuals under their command or operational control. Commanders may use in-house awards in lieu of, or in addition to, those in (1) and (2) below.

(1) Certificate of Merit for Safety. Eligibility for this certificate will be based on completing at

least 1 year of outstanding accident prevention achievement. The installation safety manager will verify this.

(2) Safety awards for individuals. Commanders at all levels may present a US Army Safety Award to individuals who have at least 1 accident-free year. This award will normally be for those persons whose work requires constant alertness and safe work procedures. These are minimum criteria; more stringent criteria may be developed and applied at the local level. Examples are motor vehicle operators, heavy equipment operators, other mechanical equipment operators, and maintenance personnel.

b. Army staff agencies and MACOMs may compete for the National Safety Council Army Award of Honor, Award of Merit, or Certificate of Commendation. They may take part in the National Safety Council Safe Driver Award Program if they are located in the Continental United States (CONUS). Additional information can be obtained from the National Safety Council, 444 N. Michigan Ave, Chicago, IL 60611.

c. Record of individual awards. A record of a safety award will be included in the recipient's official personnel folder. Awards for safe driving will also be included on the drivers qualification record (DA Form 348).

SECTION III. ARMY AVIATION MISHAP PREVENTION UNIT AWARDS

9. Procedures. *a.* Commanders of Active Army, USAR, and ARNG who meet the criteria listed in paragraph 10 will submit requests for validation

and issuance of awards. All requests will be submitted in standard military correspondence through command channels, to include MACOMs,

to the Commander, US Army Safety Center, Fort Rucker, AL 36362. The MACOMs or subcommands will include a list of valid unit identification codes assigned to the unit or organization during the time period for which the award is to be granted. They must have aviation personnel or aircraft assigned by tables of organization and equipment (TOE) or tables of distribution and allowances (TDA) that are engaged in Army flying operations.

b. Safety records of the unit or organization will be validated by information in the Army Safety Management Information System at the US Army Safety Center, ATTN: PESC-D, Fort Rucker, AL 36362. Awards will be sent through command channels for presentation to the unit or organization having earned the award.

10. Awards and qualification criteria. *a.* Awards listed below will be presented to units or organizations meeting the following criteria.

(1) The Award of Merit will be presented to units or organizations that have completed 12 consecutive months of flying without a mishap.

(2) The Award of Honor will be presented to units or organizations that have completed 24 consecutive months of flying without a mishap. (The Award of Merit is a step toward earning the Award of Honor.)

(3) The Award of Excellence will be presented to units or organizations that have completed 36 consecutive months of flying without a mishap.

(4) Commands with Army aviation assets are encouraged to implement the use of general safety certificates.

b. Awards will not be approved for overlapping time frames. For example, if the Award of Honor is issued for the period 1 April 1980 to 1 April 1982, the unit may not receive another Award of Merit for the period 1 April 1981 to 1 April 1982.

SECTION IV. BROKEN WING AVIATION SAFETY AWARD

11. Terms of the award. *a.* The Broken Wing Aviation Safety Award is designed to reward Army aircrews who, through outstanding airmanship, minimize or prevent aircraft damage or injury to personnel during an emergency situation. US Army military aircrews, DA civilians, and contract personnel are eligible for this award.

b. Nominees must have shown extraordinary skill while recovering an aircraft from an in-flight emergency situation. The circumstances surrounding the occurrence must be documented to show the skill, knowledge, judgment, and technique required and used in recovering from the emergency. The aircraft must be owned or leased by the Army during the emergency.

c. Normally, only one person will be nominated to receive the award for a single in-flight emergency. However, if more than one crewmember materially contributed to the successful recovery from the emergency, those involved should be considered for nominations.

12. Nominations. *a.* Any person aware of outstanding performance by aircrews in emergency

situations may nominate one or more members for the Broken Wing Award. Nominations will contain a description of the event to include—

(1) Full name, social security number, and crew duty (for example, instructor pilot, pilot, copilot, student pilot, or rated student pilot) of the person actually on the controls during the emergency.

(2) Date, time, and location.

(3) Mission type, design, and series of the aircraft involved.

(4) Type of mission.

(5) Phase of flight when the emergency occurred; for example, hover, takeoff, climb, cruise, descent, approach to landing, or autorotation.

(6) Kind of terrain over which the emergency occurred; for example, water, hills, mountains, swamp, trees, snow, or ice.

(7) Obstructions, dimensions, type, and condition of the landing area.

(8) Altitude above ground level (AGL).

(9) Density altitude.

(10) Wind condition (direction and velocity).

(11) Gross weight of the aircraft when landing.

(12) Concise scenario of the emergency from inception to termination.

(13) Action taken by the nominee to cope with the emergency and what was done to recover from the emergency or minimize damage or injury.

(14) Lapsed time from onset of emergency to termination.

(15) Drawings, other supporting documentation and photographs, if available.

(16) Copy of the preliminary report of aircraft mishap (PRAM) message if submitted/required.

b. Nominations will be submitted within 30 days of the occurrence of the mishap.

c. Emergencies under the following conditions will not be considered for the award when—

(1) An emergency is self-induced.

(2) An emergency actually occurs during a simulated emergency requiring no added skill to land the aircraft successfully.

(3) An emergency is due to noncompliance with published regulations and procedures.

(4) It is determined that no emergency actually existed.

(5) In the committee's opinion, a lack of discipline or aviator judgment may have induced the emergency.

(6) The aircraft was in a phase of flight with

no unfavorable circumstances to prevent a safe landing.

13. Procedures. a. All nominations for the Broken Wing Award will be sent to the Commander, US Army Safety Center, ATTN: Chairperson, Broken Wing Safety Award Program.

b. The Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, HQDA, monitors the Broken Wing Safety Award Program.

c. The chairperson of the Broken Wing Award Committee is the Commander, US Army Safety Center. The chairperson will convene the committee when nominations are received and will forward the award (for example, lapel pin and DA certificate) to the command of the person receiving the award.

d. The committee will consist of a chairperson and at least five aviators. The committee members will be representatives of the US Army Safety Center, the US Army Aviation School, and other appropriate aviation agencies located at Fort Rucker, Alabama. At least one committee member will be qualified in the mission type and design of the aircraft involved in the emergency. The committee will meet to review all nominations and select those personnel entitled to receive the award.

e. The commander of the person receiving the award will present the award at a ceremony that meets with the wishes of the recipient and will provide a photograph and description of the ceremony to the Commander, US Army Safety Center, ATTN: PESC-CA, Fort Rucker, AL 36362.

GLOSSARY

TERMS

Army Accidents. Defined in AR 385-40, paragraph 2-1.

Mishap. An Army aviation mishap is listed in AR 385-40, paragraph 5-5. Refers to Class A, B, and those Class C mishaps that result in a total cost of \$10,000 or more.

Award of Merit. A DA certificate given for 12 consecutive months without a mishap.

Award of Honor. A DA certificate given for 24 consecutive months without a mishap.

Award of Excellence. A wall plaque given for 36 consecutive months without a mishap.

Broken Wing Aviation Safety Award. A "Broken Wing" lapel pin and DA certificate provided by HQDA.

Certificate of Merit for Safety (DA Form 1118). A certificate given by commanders to subordinate elements for periods of outstanding accident prevention as indicated in sections II and III.

US Army Safety Award (DA Forms 1119 and 1119-1). An award given by commanders to individuals for periods of outstanding accident prevention.

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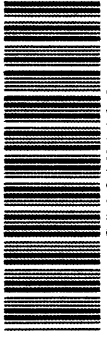
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