

Annual Performance Award

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Recently, a member of District 7 submitted a D7 Help Desk ticket requesting information on whether or not a “V” is supposed to be worn on the Annual Auxiliary Service Performance Award for VE/RBSPV. The answer is no.

The three of the four annual service performance awards: Recruiting, PE and OPS are always worn with the metal attachments S-E-O respectively. The reason is to distinguish the current service awards from the previous AMOS awards. The current PE service award is also issued for member training hours. The VE/RBSPV award does not get the “V” – this was changed with the latest annotated Auxiliary Manual, June 2014. The correction comment [CG-BSX-1:417] specifically states: ... the Auxiliary VE/RBSPV Service Award uses the discontinued AMOS VE ribbon without a device ... (Page 11-10).

Back in the 70's and early 80's, we had what was called AMOS awards. AMOS stands for “Auxiliary Management Objective System.” To earn the award, the flotilla commander would set a goal for the entire flotilla. In addition, each member had to set their own goal. In order to wear the respective AMOS ribbon, both the flotilla and member had to reach their set goal. If the flotilla met its goal, the flotilla would receive the award. Individual members who had not reached their goal would not be issued the ribbon.

The AMOS awards were preceded by the GAP award. GAP stands for “Goal Achievement Program.” Under GAP, the flotilla commander would set a goal. If that goal was met, all members of the flotilla would be issued the award, including those members who did not participate. That program was eliminated in favor of AMOS. After several years, AMOS was eliminated as well. Older members are still permitted to wear the AMOS ribbons without the device, provided the ribbon is still in good condition. If a member has both the AMOS and the Annual Auxiliary Service Performance, the AMOS award is removed.

Regarding additional awards for Annual Auxiliary Service Performance, the AUXMAN has conflicting information as to which size star to wear: 3/16 or 5/16. The picture page in the manual indicates a 5/16 star. However, the written description in AUXMAN clearly states the 3/16 size star is to be worn on each subsequent Annual Auxiliary Service Performance Award.



The Auxiliary Recruiting Service Award



Auxiliary Vessel Examination and RBS Visitation Program Service Performance Award



Auxiliary Public Education Service Award



AUX OPS Service Performance Award Ribbon