

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS  
CIVIL AIR PATROL  
500 FIFTH AVENUE  
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SUBJECT: Civil Air Patrol Service Ribbons

TO: All Wing Commanders

1. The War Department and Quartermaster General has approved the following Service Ribbons for members of the Civil Air Patrol:

a. Description of ribbons:

- (1) Ribbons  $\frac{1}{2}$ " in length and  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " in width of white with the Civil Air Patrol insignia imposed in the center in natural colors. For ribbons signifying 250 hours, ends of ribbon are to have a  $\frac{5}{16}$ " green stripe; for ribbons signifying 500 hours, the stripe is to be red; for ribbons signifying 1000 hours, the stripe is to be blue.
- (2) The ribbons will be worn by CAP members on CAP uniforms ONLY and only one ribbon will be worn at one time. If a green ribbon is awarded, and subsequently a red or a blue ribbon is awarded, only the highest ranking ribbon will be worn.
- (3) Time computed for service will NOT be restricted to flying time, but will include all ACTUAL hours spent on CAP work.

b. Awards to be made as follows:

- (1) 250 actual working hours with one year minimum enlistment will be entitled to the green striped ribbon.
- (2) 500 actual working hours with a minimum of eighteen months enlistment will warrant the red striped ribbon.
- (3) 1000 actual working hours with a minimum of two years enlistment will justify the blue ribbon.

2. The above hours include active duty service, active duty flight service and actual working hours in the Field.

3. Permission for wearing these ribbons will be granted by the Wing, Group or Squadron Commanders and a record of each ribbon given out by a Commander must be sent in to National Headquarters by filling out CAP Form No. 62-12, which will be kept with applicant's Service Record.

4. The above described CAP Service Ribbons can be purchased from the Gemsco Company, 395 Fourth Avenue, New York, at a price of .25¢ each, which price includes postage and insurance to destination, with a minimum order of \$1.00.

5. Each ribbon embodies the CAP basic design. Therefore, it will be necessary that the Wing Commander's signature appear on every order.

6. The Unit Supply Officer must receive written instructions from the Unit Commander regarding quantity and types of ribbons to be ordered.

7. Money order or check must accompany all orders.

By direction of National Commander JOHNSON:

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