

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS
CIVIL AIR PATROL
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Subject: Industrial Courier Service and Flight Instruction

To: All Unit Commanders

1. This is for the purpose of clarifying the wired instructions on the above subject, January 13 and 14 respectively.

2. It has been quite forcefully brought to the attention of this Headquarters that in some of the Wings there has been misuse of Industrial Courier. In some instances, Civil Air Patrol Units have practiced the policy of carrying anyone, anything, any place, at any time, and in many instances without properly qualified pilots.

3. The original authorization by the Military Authority was to permit Courier Service for War Industries, and the agreement was that only companies with war contracts would be allowed the use of this service. In keeping with this policy it will therefore be necessary that the military representatives stationed at the war plant, for whom the missions are to be flown, must certify as to the necessity for the flights. In addition, all CAP Directives relative to Courier Service, including pilot qualifications, rates, etc., must be adhered to.

4. It has also been brought to the attention of this Headquarters that in some instances CAP Units have been giving flight instruction. Since the founding of Civil Air Patrol, it has been generally understood that the purpose of the organization was not to teach anyone to fly. Persons who already possessed flying ability were to be encouraged to improve their skill. However, it is not the job of Civil Air Patrol to instruct students in the art of flying by giving dual instruction.

5. There is no objection to Civil Air Patrol members purchasing flight instruction from private operators, but any flight training as such within Civil Air Patrol must be discontinued immediately.

By direction of National Commander JOHNSON:



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