



Reserve Action Bulletin

Awards Edition!



Solicitation for Awards – Reserve Family Readiness Award (RFRA) & GEICO Military Service Award

ALCOAST 407/20 below solicits nominations for the 2020 Reserve Family Readiness Award (RFRA). The RFRA is an annual award that recognizes the top unit from each of the Armed Forces Reserve Components whose family readiness goals have contributed to a high state of overall mission readiness in the primary categories of:

- a. Command Involvement
- b. Community Linkage/Total Force Focus
- c. Innovative Development/Initiatives

Criteria listed in Chapter 7.A.4 of the Recognition Programs Manual, COMDTINST M1650.26 (series) outline CG standards for consideration. Additionally, nominations should include approximately three examples from each of the above categories, be inclusive of the attached RFRA submission template and unit contact info sheet, and submitted through the first Flag in the chain of command to COMDT (CG-R).

All CG units with assigned SELRES members are eligible for this award. Submissions are due via email to LTJG Louis Carsia, Louis.K.Carsia@uscg.mil by **December 15, 2020**.

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Also below is ALCOAST 403/20 which solicits nominations for the GEICO Military Service Award. This annual award recognizes a member's achievements and contributions to the public good of the civilian or military communities in the following categories:

- a. Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention
- b. Fire Safety and Fire Prevention
- c. Traffic Safety and Accident Prevention

Each service winner will receive a \$2,500 cash honorarium and a commemorative plaque, presented at a special awards ceremony held in Washington, D.C. (date TBD).

Commands are encouraged to nominate deserving SELRES members based on noteworthy accomplishments in the areas above. Award template and instructions are attached to this bulletin and are due via email to Mr. Mark Davenport, Mark.R.Davenport2@uscg.mil, by **December 01, 2020**.

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COMDTNOTE 1650

SUBJ: SOLICITATION FOR THE 2020 RESERVE FAMILY READINESS AWARD (RFRA)

A. Recognition Programs Manual, COMDTINST M1650.26 (series)

B. Coast Guard Reserve Awards Panel, COMDTINST 1650.12 (series)

1. The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Reserve Affairs (ASD-M&RA) and the Assistant Commandant for Reserve, COMDT (CG-R) are soliciting nominations for the 2020 Reserve Family Readiness Award (RFRA).

This award is sponsored by ASD-M&RA to recognize the top unit from each of the Armed Forces Reserve components whose family readiness goals have contributed to a high state of overall mission readiness. Family readiness is a key component of mission readiness, and robust family readiness programs greatly enhance the responsiveness of Guard and Reserve units.

2. All Coast Guard units with assigned Selected Reserve (SELRES) members are eligible for this award. Nominations should be submitted through the first Flag in the chain of command to COMDT (CG-R). Areas, Districts, and the Director of Operational Logistics, are strongly encouraged to nominate at least one unit for this award. Nominations must be submitted in accordance with the requirements outlined in this ALCOAST.

3. The criteria listed in Chapter 7.A.4 of REF (A) outline Coast Guard standards for consideration. In addition, the Department of Defense has provided a number of forms which must be completed as part of the unit's submission. Templates for award submissions can be found at the COMDT (CG-R) web page at: <https://www.reserve.uscg.mil/CGR/Awards/Reserve-Family-Readiness/>.

Commands must complete the template provided and attach it as an enclosure to a cover memo addressed to COMDT (CG-R). Nominations should include contact information for the family readiness representative or ombudsman. As denoted in the template instructions, each of the three primary categories should include approximately three examples of how the criteria has been met and/or measured.

4. Nominations shall be submitted electronically. All nominations must be submitted to the POC listed in paragraph 6 no later than 15 December 2020.

5. Per REF (B), the Coast Guard Reserve Awards Panel will review all nominations and submit their award recommendations to COMDT (CG-R). The results will be announced via ALCOAST.

6. POC for questions and award submission is LTJG L.K. Carsia, COMDT (CG-R55), Louis.K.Carsia@uscg.mil.

7. RDML T. C. Wiemers, Assistant Commandant for Reserve, sends.

8. Internet release is authorized.



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ALCOAST 403/20

COMDTNOTE 5100

SUBJ: SOLICITATION FOR GEICO MILITARY SERVICE AWARDS

1. The GEICO Military Service Awards Program pays tribute to an active duty enlisted service member from each branch of the Armed Forces, and one enlisted member from the reserve or National Guard component, for his/her achievements and contributions to the public good of the civilian and/or military community. This annual award recognizes achievements or contributions in the following categories:

- a. Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention
- b. Fire Safety and Fire Prevention
- c. Traffic Safety and Accident Prevention

2. Each service winner will receive a \$2,500 cash honorarium and a commemorative plaque.

3. The award will be presented in Washington, DC on a date yet to be determined.

4. Eligibility is open to active duty and reserve enlisted members. Active duty nominees must have at least one year of obligated service remaining. Individuals are nominated based on recent contributions or noteworthy accomplishments in one of the areas listed above.

5. An award template and instructions are located at:

https://cglink.uscg.mil/Geico_Award_Information

6. The submission deadline is December 01, 2020. All nomination packages must be emailed to the POC listed below.

7. My POC is: Mr. Mark Davenport, Email: Mark.R.Davenport2@uscg.mil, (202) 475-5219.

8. RADM Dana L. Thomas, Director of Health, Safety, and Work-Life, sends.

9. Internet release is authorized.