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CSU Long Beach Police Department

DEPARTMENT AWARDS

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1300.1 Department Awards Program

The purpose of the Department Award Program is to publically commend and recognize the exemplary deeds of Department personnel for actions taken in the line of duty or services rendered to the Department or community that go beyond the call of duty. Any employee is eligible for an award.

1300.1.1 Nomination Process

- (a) Any member of the Department may nominate another employee or member of the community for an award. Nominations should be submitted in writing to your immediate supervisor detailing the circumstances and reasons for the nomination.
- (b) A supervisor receiving a nomination should forward the nomination, along with any personal insight, comments, or information to their Division Commander for consideration.
- (c) Once received the Chief or a Division Commander may decide on the nomination as it stands or convene an Advisory Board to examine the nomination further.

1300.2 Service Awards

1300.2.1 Posthumous Award (Gave Life in the Line of Duty)

- (a) When a law enforcement officer is killed in the line of duty while performing a job related task such as patrol, answering a call, car stop, etc.

1300.2.2 Award for Valor

- (a) This award is presented to employees who distinguish themselves with conspicuous bravery, heroism, or other outstanding action and where the employee was aware of great personal danger prior to the performance of the act.
- (b) Presentation of the award is based on the performance of the act, which would be considered in excess of the normal demands of service and under circumstances where the employee was fully aware of the scope of the action and the threat to physical safety. Furthermore, the employee should be cognizant that the attempted objective of the act was possible to accomplish.
- (c) Employees receiving this award shall be presented a plaque to mark their achievement.
- (d) Commissioned officers shall additionally receive an appropriate citation suitable for wearing on the uniform.

1300.2.3 Award for Meritorious Service

- (a) This award is presented to employees who perform an exceptional act, unaware of great personal danger prior to initiating the act, but who then perform in a commendable manner upon becoming aware of danger.
- (b) Employees receiving this award shall be presented a plaque to mark their achievement.
- (c) Commissioned officers shall additionally receive an appropriate citation suitable for wearing on the uniform.

1300.2.4 Distinguished Service Award

- (a) Any law enforcement officer or employee affiliated with law enforcement who shall, by their act or acts, tangibly and conspicuously further the cause of law enforcement in the community by outstanding or superior conduct. The performance of such act or acts shall be motivated solely by the desire to benefit the community without thought of personal gain.
- (b) Employees receiving this award are presented a certificate, suitable for display.
- (c) Commissioned officers shall additionally receive an appropriate citation suitable for wearing on the uniform.

1300.2.5 Certificate of Commendation

- (a) This award is presented to employees who perform an act or series of actions which bring credit to the Department, University community, or the employee individually.
- (b) Presentation of this award may be based on exceptional contributions which aid the administrative or operational efficiency of the Department.
- (c) This award may also be presented to a citizen of the community for meritorious action taken to assist an employee of this Department, the Department's mission or another law enforcement service rendered to the University community at large.
- (d) Commissioned officers shall additionally receive an appropriate citation suitable for wearing on the uniform.

1300.3 Firearms Awards

1300.3.1 Firearms awards that are given by the Department are: Pistol Master, Pistol Expert, and Pistol Marksman. Any new or special awards will be the sole decision of the Chief.

- (a) The **Pistol Master Award** consists of a pin and certificate. The Pistol Master award is awarded for qualification scores of 482-500 (96.4%) four times in succession.
- (b) The **Pistol Expert Award** consists of a pin and certificate. The Pistol Expert award is awarded for qualification scores of 462-500 (92.4%) four times in succession.
- (c) The **Pistol Marksman Award** consists of a pin and certificate. The Pistol Marksman award is awarded for qualification scores of 442-500 (88.4%) four times in succession.
- (d) The **Rifle Master Award** consists of a pin and certificate. The Rifle Master award is awarded for qualification scores of 500-500 (100%) four times in succession.
- (e) The **Rifle Expert Award** consists of a pin and certificate. The Rifle Expert award is awarded for qualification scores of 480-500 (96. %) four times in succession.
- (f) The **Rifle Marksman Award** consists of a pin and certificate. The Rifle Marksman award is awarded for qualification scores of 450-500 (90%) four times in succession.

1300.3.2 Firearms Awards Restrictions

All Departmental qualifications will be considered for Firearms awards and only scores fired using Departmental equipment and considered a CSULB Police Department qualification will be considered for an award.

- (a) Only scores fired on the first "attempt" at qualification will be considered for an award.
- (b) Scores that qualify for one award may be used to earn a lesser award.
- (c) Once an officer has earned a firearm award, the officer is entitled to wear the award until a higher award has been earned. The entitlement exists so long as that officer maintains the proficiency for the specific award once annually.
- (d) When an officer moves from one award level to a higher one, the lower award level pin shall be returned to the Department.
- (e) All firearm awards will be presented through the established Department Awards presentation.
- (f) All firearms records used in this program will be maintained by the firearms instructor.
- (g) Any disputes over earning or failing to earn an award will be resolved by the firearms instructor and Rangemaster, with any assistance they may request.

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