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Chapter 1

GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1. Purpose. The DAF Safety Awards Program recognizes outstanding safety acts, achievements, and sustained performance.

1.2. Approving Authority. The Chief of Safety must approve all recipients of Air Force- and Space Force-level safety awards and will forward recommendations when required in accordance with this guide.

1.3. Conflicts with AFPC Awards Database. DAF Safety has endeavored to avoid conflicts between this guide and the AFPC Awards Database; however, if conflicts exist, this guide will take precedence.

1.4. Air Force Recognition Ribbon. The Chief of Safety will provide an authorization letter (Attachment 6) for the Air Force Recognition Ribbon (authorized for wear by both Air Force and Space Force personnel, ref. AFMAN 36-2806 *AWARDS AND MEMORIALIZATION PROGRAM* or lapel pin for individual recipients of the following awards:

- 1.4.1. Chief of Safety Special Achievement Award (only if an individual or team, not a unit, wins the award)
- 1.4.2. Safety Civilian Professional of the Year Award
- 1.4.3. Safety Enlisted Professional of the Year Award
- 1.4.4. Safety Officer of the Year Award
- 1.4.5. Koren Kolligian, Jr. Trophy
- 1.4.6. Chief of Safety Aircrew of Distinction Award
- 1.4.7. Chief of Safety Aviation Maintenance Safety Award
- 1.4.8. Chief of Safety Space Crew of Distinction Award
- 1.4.9. Chief of Safety Space Safety Award
- 1.4.10. Chief of Safety Weapons Safety Award
- 1.4.11. Chief of Safety Nuclear Surety Award
- 1.4.12. Well Done Award

1.5. Special Considerations for Component-Numbered Air Forces (C-NAFs). For awards purposes, DAF Safety will consider each C-NAF with at least one assigned Air Expeditionary Wing (AEW) as a Major Command (MAJCOM) equivalent. These C-NAFs may submit nominees for both individual and unit awards directly to DAF Safety. C-NAF nominees who are/were deployed to the C-NAF may also compete for home-station awards.

1.6. Nomination Procedures.

1.6.1. Each MAJCOM (see para 1.5), Field Command, Direct Reporting Unit (DRU), and DAF Forward Operating Agency (FOA) may submit one nomination for each award.

1.6.2. Members or teams that prevent or mitigate a mishap caused by their own misconduct, lack of judgment, or excessive risk-taking are not eligible for an award. Do not nominate an individual who has been involved in a mishap unless the investigation's final message has been

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released. If the final message is not released before the award submission deadline, provide notification stating that investigation board(s) are not likely to find the individual(s) causal. If this is not feasible, submit an annual award nomination in the subsequent fiscal year and provide notification stating the reason for delay.

1.6.3. For team or crew awards, only nominate members who actively contributed to the achievement or successful resolution of the emergency situation.

1.6.4. Send nominations for annual awards (Chapters 2 through 6 of this guide) no later than 15 November after the fiscal year award period to the annual safety awards workflow email (AFSEC.CC.AnnualAFSafetyAwards@us.af.mil). Do not send nominations for Well Done Awards to this address.

1.6.5. Send Well Done Award nominations electronically to the HQ AFSEC/CVE workflow email for processing (AFSEC.CVE.Workflow@us.af.mil). See Paragraph 7.2.6.3.

1.6.6. Nomination packages will include the following:

1.6.6.1. AF Form 1206, *Nomination for Award*. Use the most current version available from the www.e-publishing.af.mil website. Include a sufficient description of events, achievements, and/or contributions within the criteria for the given award.

1.6.6.1.1. Only include events, achievements, and contributions for the award period, 1 October through 30 September for the given fiscal year, unless otherwise stated in this guide.

1.6.6.1.2. Use a narrative format for the following awards: Koren Kolligian, Jr. Trophy; Chief of Safety Aircrew of Distinction Award; Well Done Award; and DAF Safety Hall of Fame. Use a bullet format for all other awards.

1.6.6.1.3. Bullet format awards will not exceed 18 lines including headers. Headers are not specified and not required, but if used, will count against the 18-line limit. Narrative format awards will not exceed the first (front) page. An ACRONYMS list (optional) and NOMINEES list (required for team/crew awards) will not count against these limits. See examples at Attachment 4. Do not list the names of nominees for unit nominations.

1.6.6.1.4. Do not reveal a unit's Inspector General (IG) overall grade of Initial Nuclear Surety Inspection (INSI), Nuclear Surety Inspection (NSI), or Major Graded Area on any decoration or award. The minimum classification level for INSI and NSI grading results has been elevated to 'confidential' per AF Inspection System Security Classification Guide 3263.05C, *Nuclear Weapons Technical Inspections*.

1.6.6.2. Non-annual awards have additional nomination package requirements. See additional guidance for each award in this guide.

1.6.6.3. The Air Force Safety Center (AFSEC) will contact the MAJCOM, Field Command, DRU, or FOA to provide a final citation (see example in Attachment 3) or other additional items (when required). See guidance for each award in this guide.

Chapter 2

CROSS-FUNCTIONAL SAFETY AWARDS

2.1. Administration. The DAF cross-functional safety awards span multiple safety disciplines. The Chief of Safety will assemble an Annual DAF Safety Awards Board and select one member to serve as chairperson. This board will consider all nominations for cross-functional safety awards and forward recommendations to AFSEC/CV. AFSEC/CV will assemble recommendations from all AFSEC divisions and forward one recommendation package to the Chief of Safety for approval.

2.2. Secretary of the Air Force Safety Award.

2.2.1. This is the most prestigious safety award of the DAF, and is given to the MAJCOM, Field Command, DRU, or FOA with the most effective overall safety program.

2.2.2. Selection Criteria. The annual awards board considers the following:

2.2.2.1. Combined effectiveness of safety programs

2.2.2.2. Efforts to further risk management implementation and integration

2.2.2.3. Safety program management, direction, administration, and innovation

2.2.2.4. Missions, operational tasks, and special exercises or deployments the unit's organizations performed during the award period

2.2.2.5. Unusual hazards/challenges and environmental/occupational working conditions

2.2.2.6. Command safety evaluations and staff visits

2.2.2.7. Noteworthy achievements in mishap prevention in all applicable functional areas

2.2.2.8. Mishap record and improvements made in mishap prevention

2.2.2.9. Contributions by the organization to the overall Air Force or Space Force mishap prevention program

2.3. Chief of Safety Special Achievement Award.

2.3.1. This award recognizes an organization (MAJCOM, Field Command, DRU, FOA, and below), team, or individual (officer O-6 and below, enlisted, or Department of the Air Force Civilian (DAFC)/NAF) for outstanding safety contributions or achievements.

2.3.2. Selection Criteria. The annual awards board considers special accomplishments in all areas of mishap prevention. Examples of actions worthy of consideration are:

2.3.2.1. A safety investigation board member whose findings contribute to preventing future mishaps

2.3.2.2. A unit or person who helped develop programs or concepts that significantly improve DAF safety programs

2.3.2.3. An individual or team that completed a research project, design innovation, or system safety management that improves the safety of a developing weapons system

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2.4. DAF Safety Civilian Professional of the Year Award.

2.4.1. This award recognizes a Total Force civilian government employee in the safety community for outstanding contributions to Air Force or Space Force safety. All Total Force civilian career professionals and local national civilians working full time in a safety-coded organization for the United States Air Force or United States Space Force are eligible.

2.4.2. Selection Criteria. The annual awards board considers the following:

2.4.2.1. Accomplishments and innovations the nominee developed that reduced mishaps or increased the effectiveness of the mishap prevention program

2.4.2.2. Incorporation of risk management principles and techniques

2.4.2.3. Participation in activities and recognition in local, national, and/or international safety agencies outside the Air Force or Space Force

2.4.2.4. Contributions to mishap and incident investigations

2.4.2.5. Actions to include local agencies in Air Force or Space Force safety programs

2.4.2.6. Contributions to safety publications

2.5. DAF Safety Noncommissioned Officer of the Year Award.

2.5.1. This award recognizes a Total Force member in the grade of E-5 or E-6 in the safety community for outstanding contributions to Air Force or Space Force safety. All members who perform safety duties, either part time or full time, are eligible.

2.5.2. Selection Criteria. The annual awards board considers the following:

2.5.2.1. Accomplishments and innovations the nominee developed that reduced mishaps or increased the effectiveness of the mishap prevention program

2.5.2.2. Incorporation of risk management principles and techniques

2.5.2.3. Participation in activities and recognition in local, national, and/or international safety agencies outside the Air Force or Space Force

2.5.2.4. Contributions to mishap and incident investigations

2.5.2.5. Actions to include local agencies in Air Force or Space Force safety programs

2.5.2.6. Contributions to safety publications

2.6. DAF Safety Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Year Award.

2.6.1. This award recognizes a Total Force member in the grade of E-7 or E-8 in the safety community for outstanding contributions to Air Force or Space Force safety. All members who perform safety duties, either part time or full time, are eligible.

2.6.2. Selection Criteria. The annual awards board considers the following:

2.6.2.1. Accomplishments and/or innovations the nominee developed that reduced mishaps or increased the effectiveness of the mishap prevention program

2.6.2.2. Incorporation of risk management principles and techniques

2.6.2.3. Participation in activities and recognition in local, national, and/or international safety agencies outside the Air Force or Space Force

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2.6.2.4. Contributions to mishap and incident investigations

2.6.2.5. Actions to include local agencies in Air Force or Space Force safety programs

2.6.2.6. Contributions to safety publications

2.7. DAF Safety Officer of the Year Award.

2.7.1. This award recognizes a Total Force officer O-6 or below in the safety community for outstanding contributions to Air Force or Space Force safety. All members who perform safety duties, either part time or full time, are eligible.

2.7.2. Selection Criteria. The annual awards board considers the following:

2.7.2.1. Accomplishments and innovations the nominee developed that reduced mishaps or increased the effectiveness of the mishap prevention program

2.7.2.2. Incorporation of risk management principles and techniques

2.7.2.3. Participation in activities and recognition in local, national, and/or international safety agencies outside the Air Force or Space Force

2.7.2.4. Contributions to mishap and incident investigations

2.7.2.5. Actions to include local agencies in Air Force or Space Force safety programs

2.7.2.6. Contributions to safety publications

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Chapter 3

AVIATION SAFETY AWARDS

3.1. Administration. The DAF aviation safety awards encompass both aviation operations safety and aviation maintenance safety. The Chief of Aviation Safety will assemble an awards board to consider all nominations for aviation safety awards and forward recommendations to AFSEC/CV.

3.2. Major General Benjamin D. Foulis Memorial Award (Daedalian Flight Safety Award).

3.2.1. This award recognizes a MAJCOM, Field Command, DRU, or FOA with a flying hour program and the most effective aviation safety program.

3.2.2. Selection Criteria. The awards board considers the following:

3.2.2.1. Data on flight mishaps, related causes, and safety deficiencies found during inspections and investigations

3.2.2.2. Mishap potential among different aircraft types and their missions

3.2.2.3. Risk management implementation and successes

3.2.2.4. Command support of aviation safety programs through non-regulated activities

3.2.2.5. Safety program management

3.2.2.6. Unusual hazards, environmental and occupational working conditions, and special exercises or deployments

3.2.2.7. Mishaps over which MAJCOMs, Field Commands, DRUs, and FOAs had or shared control

3.2.2.8. Mishap record and improvements made in mishap prevention

3.2.2.9. Contributions of the organization to the overall Air Force or Space Force aviation mishap prevention program

3.3. Koren Kolligian, Jr. Trophy.

3.3.1. This award recognizes outstanding airmanship by a Total Force individual aircrew member in DAF. The crewmember must have shown extraordinary skill, alertness, ingenuity, or proficiency in averting or minimizing the seriousness of an aviation mishap during flight or intent for flight.

3.3.2. Selection Criteria. The awards board considers the following:

3.3.2.1. The seriousness of the incident, how well the aircrew member successfully coped with the emergency, and how much corrective action was required

3.3.2.2. The emergency must have resulted from any of these situations:

3.3.2.2.1. Mechanical difficulty while in flight or on the ground

3.3.2.2.2. A significant incident that could have resulted in serious injury, loss of life, or loss of the aircraft

3.3.2.2.3. Actions by other persons

3.3.2.2.4. Environmental factors beyond the nominee's control

3.4. Chief of Safety Aircrew of Distinction Award.

3.4.1. This award recognizes at least two Total Force aircrew members and a maximum of one entire aircrew for outstanding airmanship. The crew must have shown extraordinary skill, alertness, ingenuity, or proficiency in averting or minimizing the seriousness of an aviation mishap during flight or intent for flight. Individual aircrew members may not receive this award and the Koren Kolligian, Jr. Trophy for the same event. Each aircrew member nominated must have contributed to the resolution of the emergency.

3.4.2. Selection Criteria. The awards board considers the following:

3.4.2.1. The seriousness of the incident, how well the aircrew members worked together to successfully cope with the emergency, and how much corrective action was required

3.4.2.2. The emergency must have resulted from any of these situations:

3.4.2.2.1. Mechanical difficulty while in flight or on the ground

3.4.2.2.2. A significant incident that could have resulted in serious injury, loss of life, or loss of the aircraft

3.4.2.2.3. Actions by other persons

3.4.2.2.4. Environmental factors beyond the nominees' control

3.5. Chief of Safety Aviation Maintenance Safety Award.

3.5.1. This award recognizes a Total Force individual or team of DAF military and/or civilian personnel who directly or indirectly supported aircraft sortie generation and significantly contributed to aviation maintenance safety. Nominees must possess a record of violation-free performance through the quality assurance and/or organizational safety office.

3.5.2. Selection Criteria. The awards board considers the following:

3.5.2.1. Effective maintenance resource management concepts, applications, and successes

3.5.2.2. Contributions to mishap and incident investigations

3.5.2.3. Incorporation of risk management principles and techniques

3.5.2.4. Credible Technical Order changes, hazard reports, product quality deficiency reports, or material improvements that contribute to aviation maintenance safety and/or safety of flight

3.5.2.5. Development or improvement of a program, process, or mechanism that significantly contributed to aviation maintenance safety and/or safety of flight

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3.6. Aero Club Safety Certificates.

3.6.1. Safety certificates promote aviation safety and recognizes Air Force or Space Force aero clubs for flight safety achievement. All Air Force and Space Force Services aero clubs or aero flight training centers are eligible.

3.6.2. Certificates may be awarded annually to as many aero clubs that qualify.

3.6.3. Selection Criteria. The awards board considers the following:

3.6.3.1. The administration of a satisfactory safety program

3.6.3.2. The aero club's incorporation of risk management principles and techniques

3.6.3.3. Flight safety achievements

3.6.3.4. Program management evaluation results

3.6.3.5. Diversity of aircraft and experience level of pilots

3.6.3.6. Date of last Class A or B mishap. Clubs that experienced a Class A or B mishap in the award fiscal year are ineligible. However, the MAJCOM, Field Command, DRU, or FOA may nominate a club that had no control over a mishap (i.e., foreign object damage at a transient field, a defective part from the supply system, etc.) and meets all other criteria. The club must include a detailed justification with the nomination. In the case of Class A or B bird strikes, if the club demonstrated reasonable care in the face of the bird threat, the club may be nominated. Include a detailed explanation with the nomination.

Chapter 4

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AWARDS

4.1. Administration. The Chief of Occupational Safety will assemble an awards board to consider all nominations for occupational safety awards and forward recommendations to AFSEC/CV.

4.2. Colonel Will L. Tubbs Memorial Award for Occupational Safety.

4.2.1. This award recognizes the most effective MAJCOM, Field Command, or DRU occupational safety program.

4.2.2. Selection Criteria. The awards board considers the following:

4.2.2.1. Effective safety program management and innovations

4.2.2.2. Unusual hazards, environmental and occupational working conditions

4.2.2.3. Special exercises or deployments

4.2.2.4. Evaluation results

4.2.2.5. Specific mishap prevention activities accomplished during the award year

4.2.2.6. Implementation and status of risk management concepts, applications, and successes

4.2.2.7. Specific traffic safety program contributions benefiting military and/or the civilian community

4.2.2.8. Contributions by the organization to the overall Air Force or Space Force occupational mishap prevention program

4.3. Chief of Safety Outstanding Achievement Award for Occupational Safety.

4.3.1. This award recognizes the most effective installation-level or FOA occupational safety program. Air Force or Space Force organizations at installation level or Headquarters Air Force/Space Force-level FOAs with a safety staff that have an occupational safety program staffed by qualified 1S0X1 or GS-0018/0803 personnel that did not experience a Class A or B on-duty mishap in the fiscal year award period are eligible. Organizations that experienced an on-duty Class A or B mishap that was the result of factors outside the organization's control as determined by the awards board are eligible. The nomination package must include a description of why the organization should be considered.

4.3.2. Any Air Force or Space Force installation-level organization may compete in one of the five categories listed below:

4.3.2.1. Category I: Large Operations/Industrial Organization. An organization (wing/delta or equivalent, or higher) that has a primary mission of producing, maintaining, or rehabilitating military systems and equipment, or has the complete operational control of the installation. This includes test centers and research-and-development organizations.

4.3.2.2. Category II: Large/Composite Wing/Delta Organization. An organization that has three or more squadrons and 4,000 or more people assigned. This organization must be the installation host unit.

4.3.2.3. Category III: Small Wing/Delta Organization. An organization that does not meet the Category I or II wing criteria. This organization must be the installation host unit.

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4.3.2.4. Category IV: Associate/Tenant Organization or FOA. A squadron or higher organization, including Headquarters Air Force- or Space Force-level FOAs, at a location separate from the parent organization, that has an occupational safety program independent of the host installation occupational safety program.

4.3.2.5. Category V: Geographically Separated Unit (GSU) Organization. An organizational element, smaller than a Wing or Delta, geographically separated from its parent organization, that has an occupational safety program independent of the host unit occupational safety program.

4.3.3. DRUs such as the Air Force Academy, the Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center, and Air Force District Washington are not eligible for this award. These units may compete for the Colonel Will L. Tubbs Memorial Award for Occupational Safety.

4.3.4. GSU Wings and Deltas are considered in categories I-IV. Detachments, squadrons, and groups co-located with their parent wing/delta are part of the Wing/Delta nomination.

4.3.5. Selection Criteria. The awards board considers the following:

4.3.5.1. Occupational safety performance records and achievements

4.3.5.2. Complexity and types of mission tasks, including unusual hazards, environmental and occupational working conditions, and special exercises or deployments

4.3.5.3. Outstanding achievements, including awards received for accomplishments relating to personnel and material preservation

4.3.5.4. Educational and publicity material developed for DAF or MAJCOM, Field Command, DRU, and FOA publications

4.3.5.5. Safety program management as measured by mishap experience and assessments of the unit by a higher organizational element

4.3.5.6. Efforts by the organization to further risk management integration and sustainment

4.3.5.7. Specific traffic safety program contributions benefiting military and/or the civilian community

4.3.5.8. Contributions by the organization to the overall Air Force or Space Force mishap prevention programs

Chapter 5

SPACE SAFETY AWARDS

5.1. Administration. The Chief of Space Safety will assemble an awards board to consider all nominations for space safety awards and forward recommendations to AFSEC/CV.

5.2. Chief of Safety Outstanding Space Safety Program Award.

5.2.1. This award recognizes the most effective space safety program in the Department of the Air Force.

5.2.2. Selection Criteria. The awards board considers the following:

5.2.2.1. Program management

5.2.2.2. Risk management implementation and success

5.2.2.3. Complexity and mishap potential among different space missions

5.2.2.4. Mishap record and improvements made in mishap prevention

5.2.2.5. Data on space mishaps and safety deficiencies found during investigations

5.2.2.6. Contributions by the organization to the overall Air Force or Space Force space mishap prevention program

5.3. Chief of Safety Space Crew of Distinction Award

5.3.1. This award recognizes at least two Total Force space crewmembers and a maximum of one entire space crew for outstanding operational performance.

5.3.2. Selection Criteria. The awards board considers:

5.3.2.1. The crew must have shown extraordinary skill, alertness, ingenuity, and/or proficiency in averting or minimizing the seriousness of a space mishap during the performance of space operations.

5.3.2.2. Each space crewmember nominated must have contributed to resolution of the mishap.

5.3.2.3. The seriousness of the incident, how well the space crewmembers worked together to successfully cope with the emergency, and how much corrective action was required

5.3.2.4. The emergency must have resulted from any of these situations:

5.3.2.4.1. Mechanical difficulty while controlling satellite operations

5.3.2.4.2. A significant incident that could have resulted in loss of use of the satellite

5.3.2.4.3. Actions by other persons

5.3.2.4.4. Environmental factors beyond the nominees' control

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5.4. Chief of Safety Space Safety Award

5.4.1. This award recognizes any Department of the Air force, Total Force military or civilian person(s), that made significant contribution(s) in the following categories in launch and range safety, orbital space systems safety, or ground-based space systems safety.

5.4.2. Selection Criteria. The awards board considers:

5.4.2.1. Safety in all areas of planning, operations, maintenance, or monitoring

5.4.2.2. Accomplishments and innovations the nominee developed that increased the effectiveness of the program

5.4.2.3. Successfully coping with an emergency situation through direct contribution to resolving problems, minimizing the seriousness of the emergency, or preventing serious mission degradation

5.4.2.4. Outstanding achievements, contributions, or leadership that enhanced safety and reduced the likelihood of serious space mission degradation

Chapter 6

WEAPONS SAFETY AWARDS

6.1. Administration. The DAF weapons safety awards encompass both conventional and nuclear weapons safety. The Chief of Weapons Safety will assemble an awards board to consider all nominations for weapons safety awards and forward recommendations to AFSEC/CV.

6.2. Chief of Safety Weapons Safety Award.

6.2.1. This award recognizes a Total Force individual or team of DAF military and/or civilian personnel at any level below MAJCOM, Field Command, DRU, and FOA, including those assigned to a missile unit, that significantly contributed to weapons safety.

6.2.2. Selection Criteria. The awards board considers the following:

6.2.2.1. Achievements or contributions that enhance explosives safety by reducing the likelihood of explosives mishaps.

6.2.2.2. Accomplishments that affect the following:

6.2.2.2.1. Maintenance or handling

6.2.2.2.2. Explosives site planning

6.2.2.2.3. Reduction in the number of explosives exemptions, waivers, and deviations

6.2.2.2.4. Technical Orders, local directives, etc

6.2.2.2.5. Education and training

6.2.2.2.6. Mishap investigation, reports, and analysis

6.2.2.2.7. Mishap prevention or mitigation

6.2.2.2.8. Incorporation of risk management principles and techniques

6.2.2.3. Contributions by the individual or team to the overall mishap prevention program

6.3. Chief of Safety Nuclear Surety Award.

6.3.1. This award recognizes a Total Force individual or team of DAF military and/or civilian personnel at any level below MAJCOM, DRU, or FOA that has significantly contributed to nuclear surety.

6.3.2. Selection Criteria. The awards board considers the following:

6.3.2.1. Outstanding achievements or contributions that enhance nuclear surety and reduce the likelihood of nuclear weapon system mishaps

6.3.2.2. Incorporation of risk management principles and techniques

6.3.2.3. For weapon systems, accomplishments that affect the following:

6.3.2.3.1. Maintenance, handling, or loading quality

6.3.2.3.2. Nuclear logistical movements

6.3.2.3.3. Personnel reliability assurance program

6.3.2.3.4. Weapons security

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6.3.2.3.5. Technical Orders

6.3.2.3.6. Nuclear surety inspection

6.3.2.3.7. Education and training

6.3.2.3.8. Operational employment

6.3.2.3.9. Mishap investigation, reports, and analysis

Chapter 7

NON-ANNUAL AWARDS

7.1. Administration. Nominations for non-annual awards are considered when received, and do not adhere to the annual awards timeline.

7.2. Aviation/Weapons/Occupational/Space Safety Well Done Award (on-duty only).

7.2.1. A Well Done Award recognizes an Air Force or Space Force member (officer O-6 and below, enlisted, or DAFC/NAF), or Federal employee who supports USAF/USSF operations for a one-time outstanding act or significant achievement in support of mishap prevention.

7.2.2. These awards are not intended to recognize heroic acts that fall within an individual's primary duties (e.g., a fire fighter putting out a fire) or other acts within a member's normal duties (e.g., an occupational safety manager identifying a hazard).

7.2.3. These awards recognize a one-time act, not sustained performance over a given calendar period.

7.2.4. These awards recognize an individual, or members of a small team, group, or crew (see Paragraph 7.2.6.1).

7.2.5. Selection Criteria. The nominee must have demonstrated superior skill or ingenuity that prevented or reduced the loss of life, injury, or aircraft or other property damage. The skill or ingenuity must be above that expected of personnel with like training and experience in a like situation. Do not nominate an individual who has been involved in a mishap unless the investigation's final message has been released. If the final message is not released before the award submission deadline, provide notification stating that investigation board(s) are not likely to find the individual(s) causal. If this is not feasible, submit the award nomination following release of the final message and provide notification stating the reason for delay. *NOTE: this award is not intended to be awarded in lieu of the Air Force Commendation Medal, but rather another means of recognition for the actions of individuals deserving of the award based on this defined criteria.*

7.2.6. Nomination Procedures (supplemental to Chapter 1 of this guide).

7.2.6.1. For members of a small team, group, or crew who are nominated for the same event/accomplishment, a separate package for each individual must be submitted. Each Form 1206 must clearly state the specific accomplishments, actions, and/or contributions of the individual nominee.

7.2.6.2. Any person other than the nominee may submit a nomination to the applicable MAJCOM, Field Command, DRU, or FOA safety office. The safety office will review and determine if the nomination meets the selection criteria above. If approved, the MAJCOM, Field Command, DRU, or FOA Director of Safety will forward the complete nomination package (see Paragraph 7.2.6.4.) electronically to the AFSEC/CVE workflow email for processing (AFSEC.CVE.Workflow@us.af.mil). Submit a nomination for a Department of the Air Force member directly to AF/SE Workflow (AF.SE.Workflow@us.af.mil).

7.2.6.3. AFSEC/CVE must receive nominations within six months of the event or accomplishment. If a related mishap is still under investigation six months later, the nomination may be submitted not later than one month after the investigation's final

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message and Memorandum of Final Evaluation have been released and accepted by AFSEC.

7.2.6.4. Nomination package will include an AF Form 1206, *Nomination for Award*, in narrative format. See template in Attachment 4. Provide an unclassified description of the accomplishment or actions. The nomination must provide information as to “who, what when, where, why, and how” the nominee mitigated or prevented a potential serious mishap. If the nomination is for a specific act, include detailed and factual information about the severity of the incident and the nominee’s actions.

7.2.6.5. If approved, AFSEC will notify the applicable MAJCOM, Field Command, DRU, or FOA and request the unit provide a final citation for the award (see example in Attachment 3).

7.3. DAF Safety Hall of Fame.

7.3.1. DAF Safety Hall of Fame induction is a lifetime, one-time distinction, and as a consequence, inductions are infrequent.

7.3.2. Selection Criteria. The board considers United States Air Force and Space Force military or civilian personnel who have made unique contributions to Air Force or Space Force safety. These contributions must be made over an extended period and must result in enduring, unprecedented, and significant improvements to Air Force or Space Force safety. The nominee’s performance and contributions should generally be recognized by his or her peers as being of exceptional excellence and of quantifiable value to safety.

7.3.3. Nomination Procedures (supplemental to Chapter 1 of this guide).

7.3.3.1. Any person other than the nominee may submit a nomination to the applicable MAJCOM, Field Command, DRU, or FOA safety office. The safety office will review and determine if the nomination meets the selection criteria above. If approved, the MAJCOM, Field Command, DRU, or FOA Director of Safety will forward the complete nomination package (see Paragraph 7.3.3.2.) electronically to the AFSEC/CVE workflow email for processing (AFSEC.CVE.Workflow@us.af.mil). Submit a nomination for a Department of the Air Force member directly to AF/SE Workflow (AF.SE.Workflow@us.af.mil).

7.3.3.2. Nomination packages will include an AF Form 1206, *Nomination for Award*, in narrative format. See template in Attachment 4. Provide justification that is clear and concise with sufficient information to explain the nature and results of the individual’s achievements.

7.3.4. Presentation. The Chief of Safety will notify the MAJCOM, Field Command, DRU, or FOA Director of Safety of the results. An appropriate award commemorating the individual’s induction will be sent to the MAJCOM, Field Command, DRU, or FOA for presentation. The inductee’s name will be inscribed on a permanent register at the Air Force Safety Center.

JOHN T. RAUCH
Major General, USAF
Chief of Safety

Attachment 1

GLOSSARY OF REFERENCES AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION

References

5 USC 552a, *Privacy Act*

AFMAN 36-2806, *Awards and Memorialization Program*

DODI1400.25V451_AFI36-1004_AFGM2020-01, *Civilian Recognition Program*

AFMAN 33-322, *Records Management and Information Governance Program*

Adopted Forms

AF FORM 1206, *Nomination for Award*

Acronyms

AFPC – Air Force Personnel Center

AFSEC – Air Force Safety Center

C-NAFs – Component-Numbered Air Forces

DAF – Department of the Air Force

DAFC – Department of the Air Force Civilian

DRU – Direct Reporting Unit

FOA – Forward Operating Areas

GSU – Geographically Separated Unit

IG – Inspector General

MAJCOM – Major Command

NAF – Numbered Air Force

NSI – Nuclear Surety Inspection

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Attachment 2

TABLE OF SAFETY AWARDS

Table A2.1. Safety Awards.

DISCIPLINE	AWARD NAME	RELEVANCE	FORM 1206 FORMAT	RECIPIENT
Cross-Functional	Secretary of the Air Force Safety Award	Performance within Fiscal Year	Bullet	MAJCOM, Field Command DRU, or FOA
	Chief of Safety Special Achievement Award	Performance within Fiscal Year	Bullet	Individual or Air/Space Force Org at or below MAJCOM/Field Command
	DAF Safety Civilian Professional of the Year Award	Performance within Fiscal Year	Bullet	Civilian Safety Career Field Individual
	DAF Safety Noncommissioned Officer of the Year Award	Performance within Fiscal Year	Bullet	NCO in Safety Community
	DAF Safety Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Year Award	Performance within Fiscal Year	Bullet	SNCO in Safety Community
	DAF Safety Officer of the Year Award	Performance within Fiscal Year	Bullet	Officer O-6 or below in Safety Community
Aviation	Maj Gen Foulois Memorial Award	Performance within Fiscal Year	Bullet	MAJCOM or Field Command
	Koren Kolligian, Jr. Trophy	Event within Fiscal Year	Narrative	Individual Aircrew Member
	Chief of Safety Aircrew of Distinction Award	Event within Fiscal Year	Narrative	Aircrew (at least two members)
	Chief of Safety Aviation Maintenance Safety Award	Performance within Fiscal Year	Bullet	Individual or Team
	Aero Club Safety Certificate	Performance within Fiscal Year	Bullet	AF or SF aero club(s) and training center(s)
Occupational	Colonel Will L. Tubbs Memorial Award for Occupational Safety	Performance within Fiscal Year	Bullet	MAJCOM, Field Command, DRU, or FOA
	Chief of Safety Outstanding Achievement Award for Occupational Safety,	Performance within Fiscal Year	Bullet	(by category)

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Table A2.1. Safety Awards (Continued).

DISCIPLINE	AWARD NAME	RELEVANCE	FORM 1206 FORMAT	RECIPIENT
Space	Chief of Safety Outstanding Space Safety Program Award	Performance within Fiscal Year	Bullet	Team
	Chief of Safety Space Crew of Distinction Award	Performance within Fiscal Year	Bullet	Team
	Chief of Safety Space Safety Award	Performance within Fiscal Year	Bullet	Individual or Team
Weapons	Chief of Safety Weapons Safety Award	Performance within Fiscal Year	Bullet	Individual or Team
	Chief of Safety Nuclear Surety Award	Performance within Fiscal Year	Bullet	Individual or Team
Non-Annual	Aviation/Occupational/ Weapons/Space Safety Well Done Award	Event or Significant Accomplishment	Narrative	O-6 or below individual
	DAF Safety Hall of Fame	Lifetime	Narrative	Individual

Attachment 3
CITATION FORMAT FOR SAFETY AWARDS

CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF

THE CHIEF OF SAFETY OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
FOR OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY

CATEGORY II

TO

2D SPECIAL OPERATIONS WING

The Chief of Safety Outstanding Achievement Award for Occupational Safety, Category II, for Fiscal Year 2020 is presented to the 2d Special Operations Wing, Hurlburt Field, Florida. The wing oversaw an amazing turnaround in off-duty fatalities, reducing the number from nine during the previous two years to zero in 20##. The wing's world-class safety education programs trained more than 2,500 base personnel in a myriad of supervisory, motorcycle, and traffic safety subjects. Safety personnel supported safety programs and investigations in five countries and provided the only United States military occupational safety expert during humanitarian relief operations in the earthquake-damaged country of Haiti. Due to its multi-faceted awareness programs, the wing safely endured the 101 Critical Days of Summer and every major holiday of the fiscal year without incident. The distinctive accomplishments of the men and women of the 2d Special Operations Wing reflect great credit upon themselves, Air Force Special Operations Command, and the United States Air Force.

NOTE: Print the citation in landscape format. Left and right margins must be 1 1/2 inches. Ensure the citation narrative is a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 13 lines and adequately describes the nominee's accomplishments or achievements.

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Attachment 4

AF FORM 1206 EXAMPLES

Figure A4.1. Bullet Format Example.

NOMINATION FOR AWARD		
AWARD	CATEGORY (If Applicable) I-V*	AWARD PERIOD 1 Oct YY - 30 Sep YY
RANK/NAME OF NOMINEE (First, Middle Initial, Last) Risk Management Team**		MAJCOM, FOA, OR DRU MAJCOM
DAFSC/DUTY TITLE n/a***	NOMINEE'S TELEPHONE (DSN & Commercial) DSN 555-1234 / Comm 505-555-1234	
UNIT/OFFICE SYMBOL/STREET ADDRESS/BASE/STATE/ZIP CODE 1st Fighter Squadron / CDE**** / 123 First St / Langley AFB / 12345		
RANK/NAME OF UNIT COMMANDER (First, Middle Initial, Last)/COMMANDER'S TELEPHONE (DSN & Commercial) Lt Col Richard J. Smith / DSN 555-5678 / Comm 505-555-5678		
SPECIFIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS (Use single-spaced, bullet format)		
MISSION ACCOMPLISHMENT:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 18 lines max, excluding ACRONYMS list (optional) and NOMINEES list (required for team/crew nominations) - Headers such as MISHAP PREVENTION are not specified, not required, and will count against the 18-line limit - * CATEGORY applies only to Air Force Chief of Safety Outstanding Achievement Award for Occupational Safety - ** For team nominations, include a NOMINEES list of team/crew members nominated for the award - *** For individual nominations, include individual information as indicated on the form - **** For team nominations, use suitable office symbol and contact information 		
MISHAP PREVENTION:		
<p>NOMINEES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maj Henry H. "Hap" Arnold, Team Lead - Capt Charles E. "Chuck" Yeager, Team Member - Include only team/crew members nominated for the award; nominated members must have actively contributed to the achievement; do not include a list of nominees for unit nominations 		
<p>ACRONYMS:</p> <p>AFSAS - Air Force Safety Automated System</p>		

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Figure A4.2. Narrative Format Example.

NOMINATION FOR AWARD		
AWARD Award Title	CATEGORY (If Applicable) *	AWARD PERIOD DD Mmm YY (Event Date)**
RANK/NAME OF NOMINEE (First, Middle Initial, Last) Maj Robert Olds, Jr.***	MAJCOM, FOA, OR DRU MAJCOM	
DAFSC/DUTY TITLE 11FX / Executive Officer	NOMINEE'S TELEPHONE (DSN & Commercial) DSN 555-1234 / Comm 505-555-1234	
UNIT/OFFICE SYMBOL/STREET ADDRESS/BASE/STATE/ZIP CODE 1st Fighter Squadron / CDE / 123 First St / Langley AFB / 12345		
RANK/NAME OF UNIT COMMANDER (First, Middle Initial, Last)/COMMANDER'S TELEPHONE (DSN & Commercial) Lt Col Richard J. Smith / DSN 555-5678 / Comm 505-555-5678		
SPECIFIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS (Use single-spaced, bullet format) The following awards utilize a narrative format: Koren Kolligian, Jr., Trophy; Air Force Chief of Safety Aircrew of Distinction Award; Well Done Award; and Air Force Safety Hall of Fame. Do not exceed the first (front) page. For the Air Force Chief of Safety Aircrew of Distinction Award, provide a NOMINEES list, and only nominate aircrew members that actively contributed to the successful resolution of the emergency situation. ACRONYMS and NOMINEES lists may be included on the second (back) page if needed.		
ACRONYMS: AFSAS - Air Force Safety Automated System		
* For Well Done Awards, state AVIATION, OCCUPATIONAL, WEAPONS, or SPACE in CATEGORY field.		
** For Air Force Safety Hall of Fame, state LIFETIME in AWARD PERIOD field.		
*** For Air Force Chief of Safety Aircrew of Distinction Award, state the aircraft call sign in the RANK/NAME OF NOMINEE field.		

Attachment 5

MAJCOM, Field Command, DRU or FOA ENDORSEMENT

Figure A5.1. Endorsement Example.



MAJCOM LETTERHEAD
MAJCOM AFB

Date

MEMORANDUM FOR HQ AFSEC/CV

FROM: HQ MAJCOM/SE

SUBJECT: Weapons Safety Well Done Endorsement for SSgt John Doe

1. Our office received the attached package from 12 ABW/SE for a Weapons Safety Well Done Award for SSgt John Doe. We have reviewed and revised the package and hereby submit it for your consideration. Please accept this memorandum as our official endorsement.
2. If you have any questions, please contact MSgt David Ray, MAJCOM/SEW, DSN 555-1234.

MICHAEL P. MI, Col, USAF
Director of Safety

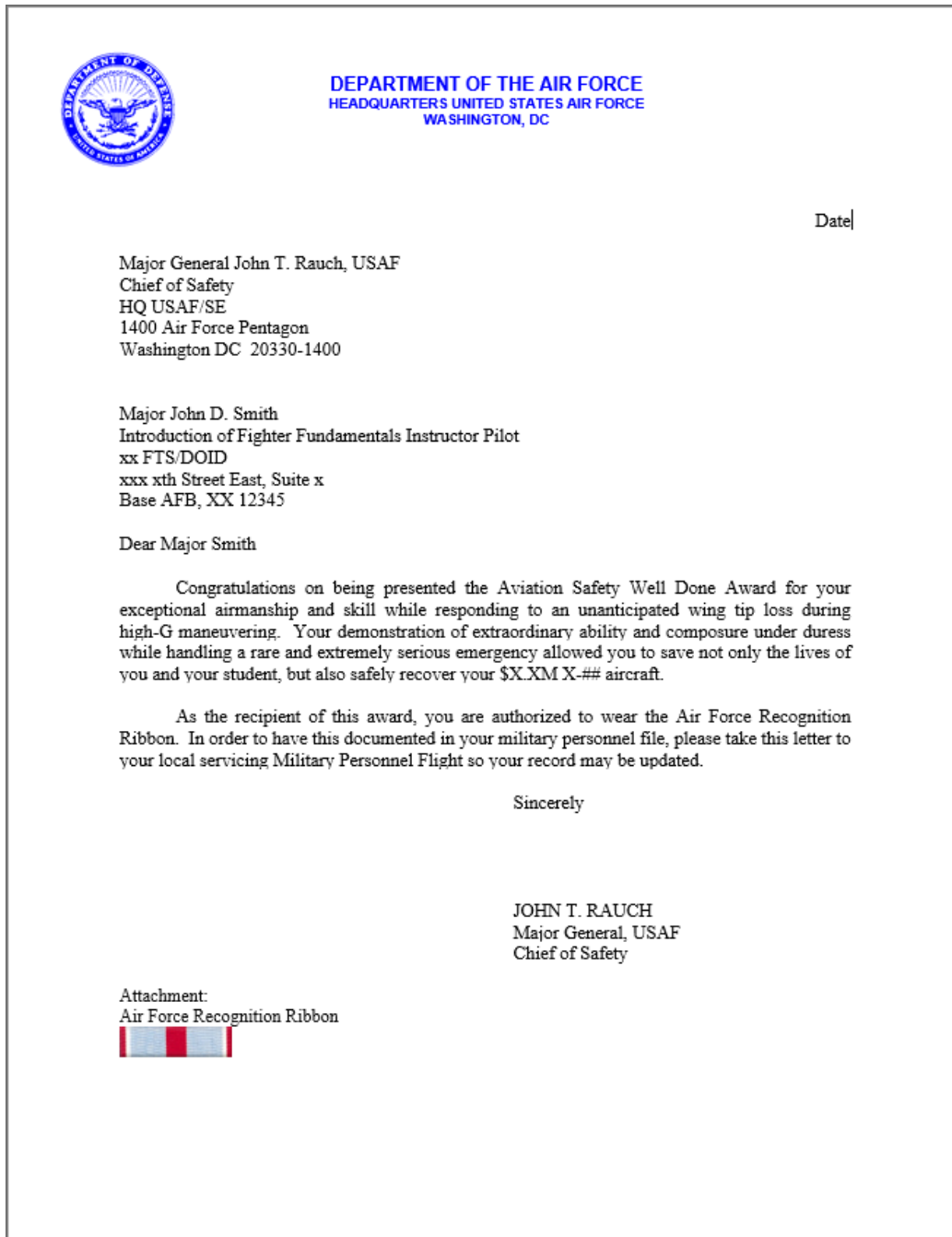
2 Attachments:
1. AF Form 1206
2. Citation

NOTE: MAJCOM, Field Command, DRU or FOA endorsement is required for Well Done Award and Safety Hall of Fame nominations.

Attachment 6

Chief of Safety Authorization Letter: Air Force Recognition Ribbon

Figure A6.1. Air Force Recognition Ribbon Authorization Letter Example



NOTE: Guidance at publication of this awards guide authorizes USSF members to receive and wear the Air Force Recognition Ribbon until Service guidance is published by the SF/CHCO. If that guidance changes after publication, SF/CHCO supersedes this guide.