

## MILPERSMAN 1200-030

### SMALL CRAFT INSIGNIA

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<b>References</b>	(a) NAVPERS 15665I, U. S. Navy Uniform Regulations
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#### 1. Qualifications as a Result of Service in the Republic of Vietnam under Combat

a. Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) (N86) authorized the Small Craft Insignia for junior officers and senior petty officers who had served as officer in charge (OIC) of Riverine or Coastal Craft, under combat conditions, in the Republic of Vietnam.

b. Personnel who served for a minimum of 6 months as OIC, patrol officer (commissioned or enlisted), river section leader, boat officer, or petty officer in charge (POIC) of the following craft are eligible to wear the insignia:

Patrol Boat River (PBR)
Patrol Boat Fast (PCF)
Strike Assault Boats (STABS)
Seal Support Craft (HSSC, MSSC, LSSC)
Minesweeping Craft
Harbor Defense Craft
Logistic Support Craft (LCU, LCM, YFU)
River Assault Craft

c. U.S. Navy personnel who served as advisors to the Vietnamese Navy personnel in an "in-charge" position, and officers and enlisted whose units were turned over to the Vietnamese Navy before they had acquired the requisite 6 months eligibility as stated above, are authorized to wear the insignia provided the total operational time and advisory time on the craft equal 6 or more months.

2. **Eligible Units.** Those personnel who meet the criteria described above, and served with the following units, were established as being authorized the Small Craft Insignia:

RIVFLOT ONE (RAS 9, 11, 13, 15)
COSRON ONE
RIVPATFLOT FIVE
Naval Special Warfare Group, Vietnam
MIDIV 112 and 113
NSA DANANG and SAIGON
Inshore Undersea Warfare Group One
Naval Advisory Group, RVN

3. **Eligibility Requirements Established after 1 October 1984.** Members who served in an OIC or POIC billet for a minimum of 6 months, and have completed the appropriate Personnel Qualification Standard (PQS) in one of the following platforms or units are authorized by CNO to wear the Small Craft Insignia:

a. **Eligible Platforms:**

Logistical Support Craft (LCU, LCM)
Seaborne Powered Target Craft (SEPTAR) (QST-33/35)
MKV Special Operations Craft (SOC)
Patrol Boat (PB, PBM, PBR, PCF)
Strike Assault Boat (STAB)
Special Warfare Craft (SWCL)
Armored Troop Carrier (ATC)
Surface Effect Craft (AGEH, LCAC, PCH, PGH, SES)
High Speed Boat (HSB)
Rigid Hull Inflatable Boat (RHIB) permanently assigned to support SEAL Team operations or Helicopter Mine Countermeasures Squadrons or High Speed Maneuverable Seaborne Target (HSMST) operations
Small Waterplane Area Twin Hull (SWATH) (MHS-1) assigned to support EOD Mobile Units
Inshore Boat Unit Patrol Boat (IBU PB) and Inshore Boat Unit Patrol Rib (IBU PR)
Modified Glacier Bay Catamaran submarine escorts and Rigid Hull Inflatable Boat (RHIB) submarine escorts
Special Operation Craft-Riverine (SOC-R) permanently assigned to support SEAL Team operations
Harbor Security (HS) Rigid Hull Inflatable Boats (RHIB)
Naval Boat Police Harbor Security Boats (HSB) attached to Naval Region Southwest

b. **Eligible Units:**

Naval Coastal Warfare Groups (NCWG)
Naval Coastal Warfare Squadrons (NCWS)
NCW Mobile Inshore Undersea Warfare (MIUW) Units
Inshore Boat Units (IBU)
Harbor Defense Command Units (HDCU)
Mobile Security Squadrons (MSS) and Detachments
Riverine Groups and Squadrons

c. Personnel who qualified prior to 1 July 1992 while assigned to a Yard Patrol (YP) or Craft of Opportunity (COOP) Trainer craft are authorized to continue to wear the insignia.

**NOTE:** All "grandfather" periods for previous qualification have expired. No further "grandfather" qualification requests will be considered.

4. **Wearing Small Craft Insignia.** The Small Craft Insignia shall be worn as authorized in reference (a).