



UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS
MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
Youth Activities - Partnerships



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SEA SCOUT SERVICE AWARD



Purpose: The USPS “Finley Sea Scout Service Award” recognizes those members of the United States Power Squadrons who are also youth or adult Sea Scout leaders, and who have provided outstanding civic, educational, and fraternal leadership to both the Sea Scouts and the United States Power Squadrons, through civic involvement, educational achievement, and active participation in both programs.

This Service Award is named for Past Chief Commander Raymond A. Finley, Jr., who became a Sea Scout in 1935, and earned the highest achievement recognition in Sea Scouting, the Quartermaster Award in 1939. During 1982-83, he served as Chief Commander of the United States Power Squadrons and became the first adult recipient of this USPS Sea Scout Service Award in 2004.

Recognitions: At each USPS National Meeting, all qualifying recipients will be individually recognized during the USPS meeting, and must be present to receive the medal and accompanying Certificate of Recognition. It is intended that each recipient also be similarly recognized at the immediately following BSA National Meeting, with presentation of the Community Service Award Certificate and uniform knot (with the USPS membership pin device), during the National Sea Scout and Venturing Bridge of Honor and Reception.

Requirements: The requirements for both youth and adults are given on the next page. The attached form must be filled out and mailed or emailed to the Rear Commander of the National Membership Committee.

REQUIREMENTS NEEDED TO QUALIFY FOR THE FINLEY MEDAL

Quartermaster (youth) recipients:

1. USPS requirements
 - a. USPS Apprentice Sea Scout Membership (or Active Membership, if between the ages of 18 and 23).
 - b. Attainment of Advanced Grade of Pilot (P)
 - c. Have earned at least two (2) USPS Merit Marks
2. Sea Scout Requirements
 - a. Quartermaster Award Recipient
 - b. Serve in a leadership position as a Sea Scout or Venturer
 - c. Plan, organize, and lead a USPS/Sea Scout joint civic, educational, boating, and/or social activity

Adult Leader recipients (Quartermaster Award earned as a youth is not required):

1. USPS requirements
 - a. USPS Active Membership
 - b. Attain USPS Educational Proficiency Certificate
 - c. Earn at least five (5) Merit Marks for service to the USPS
 - d. Participate in a joint USPS/Sea Scouts civic, educational, boating, and/or social activity
2. Sea Scout Requirements
 - a. Earn the Sea Scout Adult Leader Training Award
 - b. Attend and complete Seabadge Conference requirements
 - c. Serve in an active leader capacity in Sea Scouting for a minimum of three (3) years, as a Registered Adult Leader
 - i. Ship, Council, or Regional Committee member
 - ii. Skipper or Mate of a Sea Scout Ship
 - iii. Active Consultant, with Ship Committee proposal and letter of recommendation for the Finley Award
 - d. Serve as an Advisor to a Youth Sea Scout that is planning, organizing, and leading a USPS/Sea Scout joint activity



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NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

USPS Information:

USPS Certificate No. _____ Advanced Grade _____ Merit Marks _____

District _____ Squadron _____ Rank _____

Brief history of USPS service to Sea Scouting:

Sea Scouting Information:

BSA Region _____ Council _____ Council # _____

SHIP _____ Position _____

Date Sea Scout Training Award earned _____ Date SEABADGE earned _____

Years Registered _____ Date Quartermaster Earned (Youth only): _____

Brief history of Sea Scout service to USPS:

Commander's Certificate No _____ DATE: _____

Squadron Account Code _____

Note: E-Mail to Rear Commander, USPS Membership Committee, membership@usps.org