

Cadet Basic Knowledge

Lorain County Composite Squadron
GLR-OH-003



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Cadet Oath:

"I pledge that I will serve faithfully in the Civil Air Patrol Cadet Program and that I will attend meetings regularly, participate actively in unit activities, obey my officers, wear my uniform properly and advance my education and training rapidly to prepare myself to be of service to my community, state and nation."

CAP Mission Statement:

"To serve America by developing our nation's youth; accomplishing local, state, and national emergency and Humanitarian missions; and educating our citizens on the impact of aviation and space."

Cadet Honor Code:

"We will not lie, steal, or cheat nor tolerate anyone among who does. Furthermore, I resolve to do my duty and live honorably, so help me God."

CAP Motto:

"Semper Vigilans," Always Vigilant

CAP Missions:

Cadet Programs; Aerospace Education; Emergency Services.

Echelons of CAP from lowest to highest:

- 1. You
- 2. Flight
- 3. Squadron
- 4. Group
- 5. Wing
- 6. Region
- 7. National

Flight contact information:

_____ Flight

Flight Commander: _____
 Email: _____
 Phone: _____

Flight Sergeant: _____
 Email: _____
 Phone: _____

Key Squadron Staff members:

Squadron Commander: _____
 Squadron CD for Cadets: _____
 Cadet Commander: _____
 Cadet Deputy Commander: _____
 Cadet Executive Officer: _____
 Cadet First Sergeant: _____

Region information:

There are 8 Regions in the US. They are:

- Northeast Region
- North Central Region
- Middle East Region
- Southwest Region
- Great Lakes Region
- Rocky Mountain Region
- Southeast Region
- Pacific Region

You are in the Great Lakes Region. There are 6 wings within the Great Lakes Region. They are:

- Ohio
- Indiana
- Kentucky
- Illinois
- Wisconsin
- Michigan

Across the US there are 52 wings including District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

Full Chain of Command:

National Commander: _____

Great Lakes Region CC: _____

Ohio Wing Commander: _____

Group IV Commander: _____

Squadron Commander: _____

Squadron CD for Cadets: _____

Cadet Commander: _____

Cadet Deputy CC: _____

Cadet Executive Officer: _____

Cadet First Sergeant: _____

Cadet Flight Commander: _____

Cadet Flight Sergeant: _____

Civil Air Patrol History:

- Civil Air Patrol Birthday is December 1st, 1941.
- CAP was incorporated as a non-profit benevolent organization on July 1st, 1946.
- CAP was established as a permanent civilian auxiliary of the USAF on May 26th, 1948.
- During WWII CAP's main missions were: Coastal Patrol; Border Patrol; Search and Rescue; Cargo and Courier Flights; Target Towing and Pilot Training.

Civil Air Patrol's effect during WWII:

CAP caused the commander of the German Navy to pull all of the German U-Boats out of American water. During the time Civil Air Patrol did coastal patrols they spotted 173 German U-Boats and successfully destroyed 2.

Phonetic Alphabet:

A: Alpha	N: November
B: Bravo	O: Oscar
C: Charlie	P: Papa
D: Delta	Q: Quebec
E: Echo	R: Romeo
F: Foxtrot	S: Sierra
G: Golf	T: Tango
H: Hotel	U: Uniform
I: India	V: Victor
J: Juliet	W: Whisky
K: Kilo	X: X-Ray
L: Lima	Y: Yankee
M: Mike	Z: Zulu

Cadet Ranks:

C/AB: Cadet Airman Basic
C/Amn: Cadet Airman
C/A1C: Cadet Airman First Class
C/SrA: Cadet Senior Airman
C/SSgt: Cadet Staff Sergeant
C/TSgt: Cadet Tech Sergeant
C/MSgt: Cadet Master Sergeant
C/SMSgt: Cadet Senior Master Sergeant
C/CMSgt: Cadet Chief Master Sergeant
C/2d Lt.: Cadet Second Lieutenant
C/1st Lt: Cadet First Lieutenant
C/Capt: Cadet Captain
C/Maj: Cadet Major
C/Lt Col: Cadet Lieutenant Colonel
C/Col: Cadet Colonel

Important Abbreviations:**AFB:** Air Force Base**BDU:** Battle Dress Uniform**CAPF:** Civil Air Patrol Form**CAPM:** Civil Air Patrol Manual**CAPR:** Civil Air Patrol Regulation**C/:** Cadet**CC:** Commander**C/CC:** Cadet Commander**CD:** Deputy Commander**DOB:** Date of Birth**ELT:** Emergency Locator Transmitter**ES:** Emergency Services**ETA:** Estimated Time of Arrival**ETD:** Estimated Time of Departure**ETE:** Estimated Time Enroute**FAA:** Federal Aviation Administration**FBO:** Fixed Base Operator**FCC:** Federal Communication Commission**FEMA:** Federal Emergency Management Agency**Flt:** Flight**GLR:** Great Lakes Region**PT:** Physical Training**TACO:** Tactical Officer**UOD:** Uniform of the Day**USAF:** United States Air Force**WG:** Wing**Cadet Programs Achievements**

In the Civil Air Patrol Cadet Program there are 16 achievements. The Wright Brothers, Mitchell, Earhart, Eaker, and Spaatz awards are the milestone awards of the Cadet Program.

Name/ History/ and Rank of each Achievement

Maj Gen John Curry: CAP's first National Commander: C/Amn

Gen Hap Arnold: Commanding General of the Army Air Force and first General of the USAF: C/A1C

Mary Feik: Pioneer aviation engineer, mechanic and pilot: C/SrA

Orville and Wilbur Wright: Made first powered flight in an airplane, Dec 17, 1903 at Kitty Hawk, NC: C/SSgt

Maj Eddie Rickenbacker: Ace of Aces in World War I, downed 26 aircraft: C/TSgt

Charles Lindbergh: First person to fly solo not-stop across the Atlantic Ocean. He flew from New York to Paris in the Spirit of St. Louis in 33.5 hours: C/MSgt

Lt. Gen Jimmy Doolittle: Led the Doolittle Raiders, a flight of 16 B29 bombers, on a daring raid over Japan: C/SMSgt

Dr. Robert Goddard: Is known as the father of modern rocketry. He developed some of the first practical liquid fuel rockets. His experiments with liquid fuel rockets laid the foundation for the rockets used in the space age: C/CMSgt

Neil Armstrong: Commander of the Apollo 11 mission to the moon, July 20, 1969. First words on the moon, "One small step for man, one giant leap for mankind." C/CMSgt

Brig Gen Billy Mitchell: Advocate for the creation of an independent Air Force: C/2nd Lt.

Amelia Earhart: In 1932 she became the first women to fly solo across the Atlantic. In 1937, she attempted to fly around the world but disappeared after leaving New Guinea: C/Capt

Gen Ira Eaker: Commander of the 8th Bomber Command during WWII: C/Lt. Col

Gen Carl Spaatz: First Chief of Staff of the USAF and first National Board Chairman of CAP: C/Col

Basic Customs and Courtesies**Salute WHEN:**

- Passing an officer outside
- Reporting
- The "National Anthem" is played outside, (face music or American flag)
- "To the Colors" is played , (face music or American flag)

DON'T salute WHEN:

- Inside
- You are in civilian clothing
- In formation, (unless Present, Arms is called)

Terms of Address

- Address ALL Senior Members as Sir/ Ma'am
- Address ALL Cadet Officers as Sir/ Ma'am
- Address C/CMSgt as 'Chief'
- Address ALL C/NCO's as 'Sergeant'

Greetings

- When saluting an officer outside, give one of the following greetings as appropriate.
- From wake up to noon: "Good Morning, Sir/Ma'am"
- From noon to 1700: "Good Afternoon, Sir/Ma'am"
- From 1700 to lights out: "Good Evening, Sir/Ma'am"