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**POPE CHIEFS' GROUP SHARP TROOP
AWARD**



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This Instruction is designed to allow the Pope AFB Chiefs' Group to formally recognize individuals who exceed standards of appearance, bearing, attitude, or job performance.

- 1. Sharp Troop Monitor:** A member of the Chiefs' Group must closely monitor the program and ensure certain actions described below occur on a regular basis.
- 2. Eligibility:** All Air Force members, Airman Basic through Technical Sergeant, or our sister service equivalents (E-1 through E-6), assigned to the 43 AW or tenant units at Pope AFB, North Carolina.
- 3. Criteria:** Individuals stand out in many different ways. It is left to the discretion of the nominator if the individual has set himself apart from his peers to such a degree in appearance, bearing, attitude or job performance as to warrant recognition by the Chiefs' Group as a Sharp Troop. All nominators are cautioned that, like any award, it should not be so difficult to earn as to place it out of reach, nor so easy to earn as to diminish the intent of the award or reduce the pride one feels once he/she earns it. Additionally, the intent of this award is to recognize airmen across Pope, and not focus within a chief's own squadron.
- 4. Nominators:** Any member of the Pope Chiefs' Group, including Chief selects and retirees, can bestow the honor on any eligible Pope member.
- 5. Process:** Once a Chief has observed an individual the Chief believes is worthy of the award, the Chief should recognize the individual on-the-spot. If at all practical, the Chief should ask the individual to get his supervisor and recognize the individual in front of his supervisor. The Chief should then record the date, individual's rank, full name, squadron, and a brief description of why the individual was recognized. The Chief will then forward this information to the Sharp Troop Monitor.

6. Recognition: The Sharp Troop Monitor will collect information about each award recipient from all other members of the Chiefs' Group. The monitor will consolidate the names, and forward a copy of the names to the Carolina Flyer each month for publication. Additionally, he/she will randomly select one individual who will represent that month's recipients, and arrange for a base photographer to take a picture of the individual to be published in the Carolina Flyer. Each recipient will also receive a "Chiefs' Group Sharp Troop" certificate. The Sharp Troop Monitor will ensure the certificates are printed in a timely manner, and forwarded to the Chief who works in the same squadron as the recipient. The certificate will be sent to a Chief from the same group if the squadron has no Chief assigned. The Command Chief, President of the Chief's Group, or another officer of the Chiefs' Group will present the certificate in cases such as the 43d Medical Group, where there is no Chief in the chain of command.

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