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*Housing*

**YARD OF THE MONTH PROGRAM**



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This instruction implements AFD 32-60, *Housing*, and identifies procedures for the selection and execution of the Yard of the Month program. It applies to all military family housing occupants.

**SUMMARY OF REVISIONS**

Deletes "Cluster of the Month" award.

**1. Administering the Program.** The 10 ABW Commander, or designated representative, administers the Yard of the Month program, conducted during the months of June, July, August, and September.

1.1. The 10 ABW/CV will chair the selection committee of various base agencies. Selection committee will be composed of a different base agency each month; i.e., (1) CGOC members, (2) Chief's group, (3) officer spouses, or (4) Top 3.

1.2. The 510 CES/CEH housing inspectors nominate yards to be judged and coordinate with the various agencies to supply judges.

**2. Selecting Yards:**

2.1. Weekly inspections are done each Tuesday by the 510 CES/CEH housing inspectors. The housing inspectors nominate a maximum of 12 yards (6 from each valley) for Yard of the Month competition for the months of June through September. Nomination criteria include evidence of exceptional maintenance of the yard (mowing, edging, watering), improvements/enhancements to the landscaping, xeriscaping (utilizing water conservation materials), and yard ornamentation.

2.2. On or about the last Tuesday of the month, the selection committee will visit each unit nominated and select a winner from each valley. Within the week, 510 CES/CEH will notify the winners of their selection and prepare a memorandum of congratulations from the 10 ABW/CC. An information copy will also be forwarded to each winner's commander.

**3. Recognizing Winners.** The Housing Flight is responsible for preparing the memorandum of congratulations for signature by the 10 ABW/CC; preparing the certificate for each winner; consolidating the coupons and gift items from 10 SVS, AAFES, and HQ USAFA/AH; scheduling presentation with the families; notifying HQ USAFA/PA via email to print names of winners in the next issue of “*ACADEMY SPIRIT*”; and placing a sign in the yard.

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