

THE AUXILIARYMEN'S HANDBOOK



**FOR NEW MEMBERS OF THE
CIVIL AIR PATROL**

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This is a Self-Paced and Formal Instructional Text

This training publication will walk you through the many facets of the Civil Air Patrol preparing you to become a functional auxiliariast in the United States Air Force Auxiliary.

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THE OATH

An oath is a custom, dating back to the Romans, of publicly committing yourself to do a task. It makes you and others know you are really serious about doing what the oath says you will do.

THE 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.

OATH OF APPLICATION (Senior Members)

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that:

I do understand membership in the Civil Air Patrol is a privilege and not a right. I also understand that membership is on a year-to-year basis and is subject to annual renewal by the Civil Air Patrol. I further understand that failure to meet the membership eligibility criteria will result in automatic membership termination at any time.

I understand only the Civil Air Patrol corporate officers are authorized to obligate funds, equipment, or services.

I understand the Civil Air Patrol will not be liable for loss or damage to my personal property when operated for or by the Civil Air Patrol.

I voluntarily subscribe to the objectives and purposes of the Civil Air Patrol and agree to be guided by the Constitution and Bylaws of the Civil Air Patrol and comply with Civil Air Patrol rules and regulations as from time to time may be amended or promulgated.

I agree to abide by the decisions of those in authority of the Civil Air Patrol.

I certify that all the information on this application is presently correct. I understand I am obligated to notify the Civil Air Patrol if there are any changes to the background information on the front of this form (CAPF 12) and further understand that failure to report such changes may be grounds for membership termination.

I understand that this Oath of Application is a part of this application for Senior Membership in the Civil Air Patrol and that my signature on the form constitutes evidence of that understanding.

THE CIVIL AIR PATROL

Motto

Semper Vigilans

Latin for, Always Vigilant.

It reflects the ever-ready status of the Civil Air Patrol. It means every member from cadets to officers must be prepared to respond effectively to any situation.

Mission

To serve America by performing Homeland Security and humanitarian missions for our communities, states, and nation; developing our country's youth; and educating our citizens on the importance of air and space power.

Core Values

Integrity, Volunteer Services, Excellence, and Respect

Seal



The Civil Air Patrol is symbolized by the American Bald Eagle with wings elevated and displayed in front of a puff cloud depicting a new firmament.

The CAP emblem is superimposed on the shield noting the lineage of our organization as part of the Office of Civil Defense.

There are thirteen stars surrounding the coat of arms representing the original thirteen colonies as celebrated by many U.S. seals.

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