

NATIONAL WATER SAFETY CONGRESS

2012 Awards Nomination

Background Information

The 2012 International Boating and Water Safety Summit will be held in San Diego, California, at the Hyatt Regency Mission Bay, San Diego, CA, on March 4-7, 2012. Each year the National Water Safety Congress (NWSC) present awards at the "Summit" to selected individuals and organizations that have made outstanding contributions to water safety during the previous year.

The following are a list of the NWSC Awards to be presented at the Summit:

- **Regional Award** (*one per region*)
- **Award of Merit** (*numbers vary per region*)
- **Letter of Commendation** (*numbers vary per region*)
- **National Award** (*one for the entire nation*)

Nominations must be submitted to the appropriate Regional Vice President with supporting information no later than *November 12, 2011. NWSC Regional Vice Presidents must have their selections to the NWSC Awards Chair no later than December 15, 2011. A list of NWSC Vice Presidents and their contact information may be found under "Board" on the National Water Safety Congress website (watersafetycongress.org).***Note: The 2012 Summit will be held in Early March! Please note the November 12th suspense date for getting your nomination packages to your Regional Vice Presidents.**

Examples of those whom you may want to consider for awards are marina operators, office personnel, sports writers, wildlife officers, radio or TV station personnel, Coast Guard Auxiliary Units, civic organizations, etc. Only one nomination should be submitted, however, additional submittals may be made in special cases. If two or more are submitted, please prioritize your submittals in order of preference for an award. Please complete and return the enclosed nomination form to your Regional Vice President. (Forms can be found at www.watersafetycongress.org and may be reproduced and distributed to others.) Also, please include a picture of the individual/group and of the event/activity/document.

Remember, recognition of those who contribute substantially to water safety is an encouragement to further promote water and boating safety, helping to reduce the number of drowning and boating accidents now occurring each year. Please research your area and nominate the most deserving individual or group for one of the awards.

AWARD DESCRIPTIONS

NATIONAL AWARD: One (1) presented annually to an individual, organization, firm or agency that has made a significant contribution to water safety issues/programs on a NATIONAL scale.

REGIONAL AWARD: Individual, organization, firm or agency that has contributed the most to water safety issues or programs within a region or, as a minimum, within a multi-state area (may cover more than one Region).

AWARD OF MERIT: These awards are selected from nominees that the Regional Vice President believes made a significant contribution or an outstanding effort to enhance or promote water safety at the local or state level.

NOTE: In reviewing the above types of awards special consideration will be given for heroism, rescue, or activities above and beyond or outside the scope of their duties as well as the originality, timeliness and overall effort to the nominee's program or activity.

LETTER OF COMMENDATION: This award was established to recognize Councils, organizations, programs, activities, or individuals who have made significant or outstanding accomplishments in promoting water safety and deserve special recognition by a national organization such as the NWSC.

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Awards Nomination Form (Part 1)

Date: _____

To: Region: _____ Regional Vice President: _____

Name of address of person making this nomination:

Phone(_____) _____ ext. _____ E-mail _____

Type of Award: Check One!

National	Award of Merit
Regional	Letter of Commendation

Nominee's Name: _____ Nominee's Affiliation _____

Address: _____

Phone number: (____) _____

Please PRINT VERY LEGIBLY the exact name and affiliation that will be printed on the award!!!

Name _____

Affiliation _____

Give one BRIEF line to be included in the Awards Program describing the reason for this award.

Has the nominee previously been recommended for an NWSC Award?

NO _____ If YES, what year? _____

Will the nominee be present to accept the Award at the Awards Banquet?

NO _____ Yes _____ Maybe _____

(Attendance is not a factor in determining award recipients.)

