GUIDELINES FOR SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY ROTC AWARD (For Colleges/Universities)

General: The Scottish Rite of Freemasonry is a fraternal organization first established in Charleston, South Carolina, in 1801. Through scholarship grants, RiteCare® Clinics helping children communicate, and patriotic programs, the Scottish Rite benefits communities across the nation in direct and dynamic ways every day of the year. Its 500,000 membership reflects the many professions of America.

Description: Approved by the Assistant Secretary of Defense, the award consists of a medal, ribbon, and certificate. The medal depicts the heraldic double-headed eagle logo of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, and by the words "ROTC Education and Americanism" calls attention to two of the major focal points of the Scottish Rite.

Purpose: This award recognizes one outstanding cadet in the second year or third year of a 4-year program.

Eligibility-The cadet must:

- Have contributed the most among cadets on campus to encourage and demonstrate patriotism by deeds or conduct during participation in extracurricular activities or community projects
- Have demonstrated academic excellence by being in the top 25% of his/her academic class
- Have demonstrated a potential for outstanding leadership by exhibiting qualities of dependability, good character, self discipline, good citizenship and patriotism
- Have not previously received this award

Selection: The Professor of Military/Naval Science will make the selection.

Administration: The Supreme Council is divided between two Jurisdictions, the Southern Jurisdiction and Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. (For a map, click on website: <u>www.scottishrite.org</u>, then "Where We Are" at bottom of the page, and "Location of Scottish Rite Valleys").

- Southern Jurisdiction: Requests for the award should be sent to the nearest Scottish Rite Valley of the Southern Jurisdiction. (For locations, refer to the map described above and click on the desired state) or contact the National Headquarters, Grand Executive Director, telephone: 202-232-3579, or email: wsizemore@scottishrite.org.
- Northern Masonic Jurisdiction: Refer to: <u>www.supremecouncil.org</u>, click on ROTC Program. Inquiries should be directed to William Holland, Director of Operations, Telephone: 800-814-1432, Ext. 3133, or email: <u>wholland@supremecouncil.org</u>.

Presentation and Publicity: With 30 days prior notice of the presentation ceremony, whenever possible the Scottish Rite Valley which provided the award will select and provide a presenter.

