

FOREIGN LANGUAGE EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Background. A program to recognize members who achieve and maintain high standards of language proficiency and technical expertise in the performance of their assigned duties. NSGINST 1550.9 (series) provides additional information.

Eligibility. All active duty and reserve CTI personnel, Marine Corps 267X and 2643 MOS personnel and Naval Security Group and Marine Corps officers in language coded billets/MOSs.

Criteria

a. Sustained Excellence. Linguists in all languages except Arabic, Chinese and Korean must achieve level 3 in listening and reading (L3/R3) on the Defense Language Performance Test (DLPT) for three consecutive years and meet requirements stated in the "note" below. Arabic, Chinese and Korean linguists must achieve level 2+ for three consecutive years and meet the requirements stated in the "note" below. All Foreign Language Excellence Award candidates must be recommended by their commanding officer.

b. Multilanguage Achievement. Linguists meeting the above criteria in one language and achieving L2/R2 in a second language during the same three year period will receive a second award for Multilanguage Achievement.

Note: Award nominees must be fully qualified to perform all currently assigned duties and be recommended by their Commanding Officer/Officer in Charge.

Recognition. COMNAVSECGRU LOC.

Nominations. Commands should then submit their recommendations to COMNAVSECGRU (N00SA) for approval. COMNAVSECGRU (N00SA) will forward LOCs to qualifying members upon receipt of nominations from commands and verification of test scores from COMNAVSECGRU (N7).