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Subj: UPDATE TO OPERATIONAL AUXILIARIST (AUXOP) PROGRAM

1. This ALAUX promulgates an update to the Operational Auxiliarist (AUXOP) program.
 2. In March 2022, the Chief Director of Auxiliary, in consultation with the National Executive Committee, chartered the Operational Auxiliarist Program Working Group (OAPWG). This working group was comprised of operationally-experienced Auxiliary and active duty leaders who were tasked with examining the program in its current form as a membership status. The working group met several times and after careful review and consideration recommended the following actions:
 - a. AUXOP should remain a membership status.
 - b. The designators in AUXDATA II which denote an Auxiliarist as having achieved AUXOP status (i.e., AX and AX2) should be merged into one designator: AX. This would be the only designator for AUXOP achievement. Use of AX2 would no longer be authorized regardless of how an Auxiliarist achieves AUXOP. All Auxiliarists with the AX2 designator should have it changed to AX.
 - c. A comprehensive data review should be conducted within AUXDATA II to ensure standardization of AUXOP entry into an Auxiliarist's record. Once an Auxiliarist achieves AUXOP, their status should be changed to AX and have the award "AUXOP-pin" added to their record. The AUXOP competency was inconsistently applied to the records of Auxiliarists who achieved AUXOP. It has proven unnecessary and should be removed from all records.
 3. These recommendations are approved. Associated changes to current member records in AUXDATA II shall be made by the AUXDATA II Change Advisory Board by November 07, 2022.
 4. Internet release is authorized.
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For many reasons including the value of keeping communication lines clear and open as well as facilitating access to training and educational tools, all Auxiliarists are urged to have their own email address and to keep it updated in AUXDATA.

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