Suggested Outline for MSAM PQS Discussions of OJT Missions

MSAM PQS, Section 10

This outline is meant to be used by Auxiliary members holding an MS/MEP qualification (VO/mentor) as a guide for discussions with MSAM PQS candidates who are working on the Section 10 OJT requirement to observe a particular mission or engage in at least 30 minutes of discussion with a member holding a particular MS/MEP qualification from the list shown in the PQS workbook.

1-The MSAM candidate should request a mission observation or PQS discussion through their Verifying Officer via an email to a member holding the desired PQS.

2-The MSAM candidate should review the PQS booklet and any study materials prior to the observation or discussion in order to ask relevant questions about the qualification and its mission objectives.

3-Upon completion of the observation or discussion, the VO/mentor should send an email to the MSAM candidate verifying the particular PQS mission observed/discussed, the date and location of the observation/discussion, the time involved, and the contents of the observation/discussion.

4-What are the candidate's background and interests in MS/MEP? What other qualifications does the candidate hold (if any)?

5-Why did the candidate choose this particular qualification? Is there an interest in pursuing this qualification at a later time? Is time to complete the task or personal acquaintance with the VO/mentor a factor? Is there some aspect of the candidate's background that would contribute to the discussion or facilitate work on this qualification? Explain.

6-Identify the MS/MEP qualification and its missions.

7-Discuss the training required to earn the qualification, including prerequisites.

8-Describe a typical mission for the qualification – who is involved, how it is initiated and by whom, what is the goal, what are potential outcomes and their results?

9- How long does it typically take to become qualified?

10-What are the mission opportunities once the qualification has been earned?

11-Are there any currency requirements to maintain the qualification?

12-Why did the VO/mentor decide to earn this particular qualification? How long have they held it?

13-What other qualifications does the VO/mentor hold? How do those other qualifications seem to be related to each other? How does the candidate think that they relate to obtaining the MSAM?

14-What other questions might the candidate have? What further information would the candidate like to have that perhaps came as an afterthought?