

NSP National & Regional Awards List

Genesee Valley Region Awards:

1. **Lehman Award**- Region Outstanding Instructor. Any patroller can nominate. Letter of recommendation required written to the Region Awards Advisor or any member of the Region Awards Committee. **Submittals must be received prior to 1/15.**
2. **Stevens Award**- Region Outstanding Patroller. Any patroller can nominate. Letter of recommendation required written to the Region Awards Advisor or any member of the Region Awards Committee. **Submittals must be received prior to 1/15.**
3. **Doyle Award**- Region Distinguished Service Award for long term service to NSP in multiple disciplines. Contribution to NSP may be at Patrol, Region, and/or National level. Any patroller can nominate. Letter of recommendation required written to the Region Awards Advisor or any member of the Region Awards Committee. **Submittals must be received prior to 1/15.**
4. **Williams Award** – Region award recognizing contributions to community volunteer organizations and causes outside of the patrol, in addition to those made to NSP. **Submittals must be received prior to 1/15.**
5. **Region Merit Star**- All National Merit Star candidates are considered for this award. Apply using the National Merit Star application form. Submit to the Region Awards Advisor or any member of the Region Awards Committee. **Submittals must be received prior to 12/15.**

National Awards:

1. **National Appointments** - Apply using the appropriate National Appointment Award Form, submit to the Region Awards Advisor. **Submittals must be received prior to 12/15.**
 - a. Leadership Commendation (LCA) - for non Seniors
 - b. National Appointment - for eligible Seniors
2. **Gold Merit Star** - National Outstanding Patroller including administrative, and instructor. Genesee Valley region candidates are selected from the Region Lehman and Stevens award recipients. Apply using the National Merit Star application form.
3. **Silver Merit Star** - Runner-up to National Outstanding Patroller. Genesee Valley region candidates are selected from the Region Lehman and Stevens award recipients. Apply using the National Merit Star application form.
4. **Purple Merit Star** - Individually save or are primarily responsible for saving a life. Apply using the National Merit Star application form. Submit to the Region Awards Advisor or any member of the Region Awards Committee.
5. **Blue Merit Star** - Outstanding or heroic use of ski patrol skills to save a life, but not to the level of the Purple. May be used to recognize those in supporting role of Purple. Apply using the National Merit Star application form. Submit to the Region Awards Advisor Joe Menichino or any member of the Region Awards Committee.
6. **Green Merit Star** - Similar to Blue but action took place in Ski area. Apply using the National Merit Star application form. Submit to the Region Awards Advisor Joe Menichino or any member of the Region Awards Committee.
7. **Yellow Merit Star** - Awarded for any outstanding act or service to NSPS. Must have an element of National relevance. May be used for supporting role for Green, Blue, and Purple. Apply using the National Merit Star application form. Submit to the Region Awards Advisor Joe Menichino or

any member of the Region Awards Committee.

8. **Meritorious Service Award**- Awarded to active members who have completed extraordinary and outstanding service and leadership as a Region or Division Staff member. Apply using the National Meritorious Service Award application form. Submit to the Region Awards Advisor or Region Director.
9. **NSP Distinguished Service Award (DSA)** - Given for outstanding achievement in place of a National or LCA. May be given to a non-Patroller. Apply using the National DSA application form. Submit to the Region Awards Advisor or any member of the Region Awards Committee.
10. **Patroller Cross Award** - Awarded to a patroller who receives serious injuries while on duty. Patrollers killed in the line of duty are awarded the DSA. Serious injury is defined as an injury requiring physician care over a long period of time, surgery, extended rehabilitation and/or lost work time. It is further described as an injury that prevented the member from returning to their normal patrolling duties for the balance of the ski season. Contact the region Awards Advisor.
11. **National Outstanding** - Patroller, Instructor, Administrative, Professional, Auxiliary, or Student; Outstanding Patrol. Awards given in each category annually. Contact the Region Awards Advisor.
12. **Avalanche Award** - Contributions to the avalanche program. Must have National Significance. Contact the Region Awards Advisor.
13. **Unit Citation** - given for extraordinary activity or accomplishment. Contact the Region Awards Advisor or any member of the Region Awards Committee.
14. **National Certificate of Appreciation** – (For ".....") Contact the region Awards Advisor or any member of the Region Awards Committee.
15. **Service Recognition Awards** - (10 years or more in increments of 5 year intervals.) Ordered by Patrol Representative.
16. **Honorary and Special Recognition Awards** - For Members and non-Members given at the discretion of the Patrol Representative or Region Director. May be an NSP Award or Local or Region. Contact the Region Director or the Region Awards Advisor or any member of the Region Awards Committee.
17. **Angel Pins** - Primarily for spouses, but may be given to others for recognition of support to NSP or local patrolling efforts. Requested by Patrol Representative.

NATIONAL AWARDS FORMS:

1. Outstanding Patroller
2. Outstanding Patrol
3. Distinguished Service Award
4. National Appointment / Leadership Commendation
5. Meritorious Service Award
6. Merit Stars
7. Patrollers Cross