

11 GENERAL ORDERS OF A SENTRY

1. To take charge of this post and all government property in view.
2. To walk my post in a military manner, keeping always on the alert, and observing everything that takes place within sight or hearing.
3. To report all violations of orders I am instructed to enforce.
4. To repeat all calls from posts more distant from the guard house than my own.
5. To quit my post only when properly relieved.
6. To receive, obey and pass on to the sentry who relieves me all orders from the Commanding Officer, Command Duty Officer, Officer of the Deck, and Officers and Petty Officers of the Watch.
7. To talk to no one except in the line of duty.
8. To give the alarm in case of fire or disorder.
9. To call the Officer of the Deck in any case not covered by instructions.
10. To salute all officers and colors and standards not cased.
11. To be especially watchful at night, and during the time for challenging, to challenge all persons on or near my post and to allow no one to pass without proper authority.

THE SAILOR'S CREED

I am a United States Sailor.

I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States of America and I will obey the orders of those appointed over me.

I represent the fighting spirit of the Navy and those who have gone before me to defend freedom and democracy around the world.

I proudly serve my country's Navy combat team with Honor, Courage and Commitment.

I am committed to excellence and the fair treatment of all.

US NAVY CORE VALUES

Honor: "I will bear true faith and allegiance ..." Accordingly, we will: Conduct ourselves in the highest ethical manner in all relationships with peers, superiors and subordinates; Be honest and truthful in our dealings with each other, and with those outside the Navy; Be willing to make honest recommendations and accept those of junior personnel; Encourage new ideas and deliver the bad news, even when it is unpopular; Abide by an uncompromising code of integrity, taking responsibility for our actions and keeping our word; Fulfill or exceed our legal and ethical responsibilities in our public and personal lives twenty-four hours a day. Illegal or improper behavior or even the appearance of such behavior will not be tolerated. We are accountable for our professional and personal behavior. We will be mindful of the privilege to serve our fellow Americans.

Courage: "I will support and defend ..." Accordingly, we will have: courage to meet the demands of our profession and the mission when it is hazardous, demanding, or otherwise difficult; Make decisions in the best interest of the navy and the nation, without regard to personal consequences; Meet these challenges while adhering to a higher standard of personal conduct and decency; Be loyal to our nation, ensuring the resources entrusted to us are used in an honest, careful, and efficient way. Courage is the value that gives us the moral and mental strength to do what is right, even in the face of personal or professional adversity.

Commitment: "I will obey the orders ..." Accordingly, we will: Demand respect up and down the chain of command; Care for the safety, professional, personal and spiritual well-being of our people; Show respect toward all people without regard to race, religion, or gender; Treat each individual with human dignity; Be committed to positive change and constant improvement; Exhibit the highest degree of moral character, technical excellence, quality and competence in what we have been trained to do. The day-to-day duty of every Navy man and woman is to work together as a team to improve the quality of our work, our people and ourselves.

US ARMED FORCES CODE OF CONDUCT

- I. I am an American, fighting in the forces which guard my country and our way of life. I am prepared to give my life in their defense.
- II. I will never surrender of my own free will. If in command I will never surrender the members of my command while they still have the means to resist.
- III. If I am captured I will continue to resist by all means available. I will make every effort to escape and aid others to escape. I will accept neither parole nor special favors from the enemy.
- IV. If I become a prisoner of war, I will keep faith with my fellow prisoners. I will give no information or take part in any action which might be harmful to my comrades. If I am senior, I will take command. If not, I will obey the lawful orders of those appointed over me and will back them up in every way.
- V. When questioned, should I become a prisoner of war, I am required to give name, rank, service number, and date of birth. I will evade answering further questions to the utmost of my ability. I will make no oral or written statements disloyal to my country and its allies or harmful to their cause.
- VI. I will never forget that I am an American, fighting for freedom, responsible for my actions, and dedicated to the principles which made my country free. I will trust in my God and in the United States of America.

UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES OATH OF ENLISTMENT

I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to regulations and the Uniform Code of Military Justice. So help me God.

UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES COMMISSIONED OFFICER'S OATH OF OFFICE

I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So help me God.

ANCHORS AWEIGH

Anchors Aweigh, my boys, Anchors Aweigh.
Farewell to foreign shores, We sail at break of day-ay-ay-ay.
Through our last night on shore, Drink to the foam,
Until we meet once more. Here's wishing you a happy voyage home.

Stand Navy out to sea, '***Fight!***' our Battle Cry;
We'll never change our course, So vicious foe steer shy-y-y-y.
Roll out the TNT, Anchors Aweigh. Sail on to Victory
And sink their bones to Davy Jones, Hooray!

Blue of the Mighty Deep; Gold of God's Sun
Let these colors be till all of time be done, done, done,
On seven seas we learn Navy's stern call:
Faith, Courage, Service true, with Honor, Over Honor, Over All.

Note: This is the fight song of the US Naval Academy, but often mistakenly referred to as "Anchors Away". To "weigh anchor" is to bring it aboard a vessel in preparation for departure. The phrase "anchor's aweigh" is a report that the anchor is clear of the sea bottom (that the weight of the anchor is on the anchor cable) and, therefore, the ship is officially underway.

LEADERSHIP TRAITS

In order to be a quality leader, you must fully develop each of these traits within yourself:

- JUDGMENT:** the ability to rationally consider possible solutions, to rationally weigh facts on which to base sound decisions, and the wisdom to seek guidance from all sources
- JUSTICE:** giving reward and punishment according to the merits of the case in question; the ability to administer a system of rewards and punishments impartially and consistently
- DECISIVENESS:** ability to make decisions promptly and to announce them with a command presence in a clear and forceful manner
- INITIATIVE:** the willingness to take appropriate action in the absence of orders
- DEPENDABILITY:** a certainty that you will carry your assignments to a safe, efficient, and successful conclusion with a minimum of supervision
- ACCOUNTABILITY:** your willingness to take responsibility for the successful conclusion of the tasks assigned to you, whether or not you have delegated them to your subordinates; a willingness to accept responsibility and learn from mistakes rather than assigning blame when things go wrong in your command
- TACT:** treating all with dignity and respect; the ability to deal with others without creating offense
- INTEGRITY:** uprightness of character and soundness of moral principles; doing the right thing even when no one is watching; truthfulness, honesty
- ENDURANCE:** the mental and physical stamina necessary to withstand fatigue, stress, and hardship
- BEARING:** creating a favorable impression in carriage, appearance, and personal conduct at all times
- UNSELFISHNESS:** putting your subordinates before yourself; avoidance of providing for one's own comfort and personal advancement at the expense of others; giving credit to your team
- COURAGE:** that mental quality that recognizes fear of danger or criticism, but enables a person to proceed in the face of it with calmness and firmness
- OPENNESS:** the willingness to listen to ideas and suggestions from anywhere in the chain of command, to hear bad news, to see problems through another's eyes, and to risk novel approaches to problems; the willingness to provide constant and honest feedback to subordinates
- KNOWLEDGE:** the thorough understanding of all aspects of one's job, including factual, technical, and theoretical knowledge, as well as an understanding of your cadets
- LOYALTY:** the quality of faithfulness to country, the Naval Sea Cadet Corps, your home unit or training command; to one's seniors, subordinates, and peers; a sense of teamwork and belonging
- ENTHUSIASM:** the display of sincere interest and exuberance in the performance of duty
- CONCERN:** the sincere care for, and the ability to create an atmosphere that encourages, the safety, well-being, and personal and professional development of peers and subordinates
- EXAMPLE:** the display of all of these traits for your subordinates at all times, so as to encourage the development of these same traits in all the members of your command