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## Special Awards Established

**Purpose:** To establish NCWM Special Awards to recognize various levels of contributions and service to NCWM and the weights and measures community.

**Background:** The Board of Directors determined that an organization such as this needs a means of acknowledging outstanding and selfless service beyond the certificates of appreciation and desk-top awards that may be presented for the routine service to committees, subcommittees, etc. Three awards were created with the goal of representing a progression of importance or significance from one award to the next. The awards were established in 2010, but not formalized in the NCWM Policy Manual until the creation of this policy.

In 2022 the Board of Directors considered and approved proposals to create two additional awards to recognize a broader range of Weights & Measures professionals and their contributions to the goals of the NCWM.

**Policy:** The following NCWM Special Awards and descriptions are hereby established.

### 1. NCWM Award for Outstanding Contribution

**Qualifications:** This award recognizes members that have made notable contributions to the development of NCWM standards, policy, administrative support, or other services deemed worthy of recognition. The recipient will have been a member of the NCWM for at least five (5) years.

**Description:** The award shall consist of a plaque with dimensions measuring approximately 8" x 10" that includes the NCWM seal, the recipient's name, date of award, signatures of the NCWM Chairman, Executive Secretary, and Executive Director and a brief outline of the contributions that the recipient has made to the NCWM.

### 2. NCWM Award of Distinguished Service

**Qualifications:** This award recognizes individuals who have made a long-term commitment of service and leadership to NCWM. Recipients have maintained membership in NCWM for at least ten (10) years and have made significant contributions to the enhancement of the organization as a whole through committee service, important contributions to standards development, served as a resource for knowledge, promoted the vision for the NCWM, or other long-term commitments that have advanced the mission of the NCWM.

Description: The award shall consist of a plaque with dimensions measuring approximately 9" x 12" that includes the NCWM seal, the recipient's name, date of award, signatures of the NCWM Chairman, Executive Secretary and Executive Director and a brief outline of the contributions that the recipient has made to the NCWM.

### **3. NCWM Lifetime Achievement Award**

Qualifications: This award recognizes individuals who are by and large well-known and highly regarded for their outstanding performance and contributions to the NCWM. No more than one (1) award can be granted annually. The recipients have maintained membership in NCWM for at least ten (10) years. Because of the special significance of the Lifetime Achievement Award and recognizing that the recipients are often retired, travel expenses are authorized only in accordance with NCWM Travel Policy as needed for the recipient and a guest with the limitation of one guest room. Nominees are considered based on the following characteristics:

Integrity - Their contributions based on unbiased input in such a manner that members are confident that the only motivation is for the improvement the organization and our work products.

Leadership - Their contribution in leading NCWM Committees, Sub-Committees, Sectors, Task Forces, Ad Hoc Assignments, work as Appointive Officials, or other displays of leadership that have advanced NCWM toward becoming an overall better organization. The individual selected for this award will have displayed sound decision-making capabilities, communication skills, motivational skills, and a tolerance for the views of others.

Description - The award shall consist of a plaque with dimensions measuring approximately 14" x 17" that includes the NCWM seal, the recipient's name, date of award, signatures of the NCWM Chairman, Executive Secretary, and Executive Director, and an appropriate outline of the contributions that the recipient has made to the NCWM.

### **4. Inspector of the Year**

Qualifications: This award recognizes individuals whose primary responsibility consists of Weights & Measures field inspection duties. The nominee will be actively engaged as an inspector. Nominees will be evaluated on notable contributions in the following areas: improving inspection processes or efficiencies, advancing co-workers professional development, providing support and leadership to fellow inspectors, making a positive impact on their inspection program and the regulated community in which they serve. Participation at their respective regional association and/or NCWM meetings may also be considered. Travel expenses are authorized in accordance with NCWM Travel Policy as needed for the recipient and a guest.

Description: The award shall consist of a plaque with dimensions measuring approximately 8" x 10" that includes the NCWM seal, the recipient's name, date of award, signatures of the NCWM Chairman, Executive Secretary, and Executive Director and a brief outline of the contributions that the recipient has made as an Inspector.



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## 5. Weights & Measures Program of the Year

**Qualifications:** This award recognizes an outstanding Weights & Measures Program. All state, county, or city Weights & Measures Programs are eligible to be nominated. Nominated programs will be evaluated on contributions to the NCWM, engagement in the formation of technical & legal requirements as adopted by the NCWM, engagement at NCWM Annual and Interim meetings as well as Regional Association meetings. The nominee will demonstrate positive impact to consumers and businesses in the jurisdiction they reside as a result of their W&M program. The nominated program will also have had active NCWM members for at least five (5) years. Travel expenses are authorized in accordance with NCWM Travel Policy as needed for two program representatives.

**Description:** The award shall consist of a plaque with dimensions measuring approximately 9" x 12" that includes the NCWM seal, the recipient's name, date of award, signatures of the NCWM Chairman, Executive Secretary and Executive Director and an appropriate outline of the contributions that the recipient has made to the NCWM.

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