

United States Power Squadrons, 2007 Website Awards Tally Sheet

Squadron/District **Tip of the Mitt**

Evaluation. Date **7-Oct-07**

District Affiliation **9**

Required Items

In compliance?

(Y/N)

1	Link to USPS.org on Home (opening) page	Y
	Subtitle below squadron name	Y
2	"a unit of United States Power Squadrons ®" Sail and Power Boating	Y
3	(squadron) Link to District Website	Y
4	(district) Links to squadron websites	
5	Link to USPS Privacy statement on home page at bottom	Y
6	Link to USPS Trademark reference on home page at bottom	N
7	Link to USPS Disclaimer statement on home page at bottom	Y
8	Active e-mail link to Webmaster on home page	Y
9	Website must display current information	Y

A1 Identify purpose of the squadron/district/USPS

range			point range						Pts Awd
			Highest					Lowest	
1	0-5	Identify purpose of Unit	5	4	3	2	1	0	0
2	0-3	Identify purpose of USPS			3	2	1	0	0
Comments									

A2) Identification of squadron/district area of activity.

1	0-1	Description of location of Unit						1	0	1
2	0-1	Map showing location						1	0	0
Comments:										

A3) Explanation of the benefits of membership

1	0-3	Description of benefits described	3	2	1	0	0
2	0-2	Links to USPS benefits page		2	1	0	0
Comments:							

A4) Display of USPS emblems and logos.

1	0-1	Ensign						1	0	0
2	0-1	USPS Wheel						1	0	1
3	0-1	Activity Triangle						1	0	0
4	0-1	America's Boating Club (logo)						1	0	0
Comments:										

A5) What we do, show the fun we have.

1	0-3	Description of the fun we have.			3	2	1	0	2
2	0-3	Photos showing unit activities			3	2	1	0	2

Comments: **Had to look through your newsletters vs. stand alone page.**

A6) Presentation of Vessel Safety Check Program

1	0-3	Explanation of the program			3	2	1	0	1
2	0-1	Correct decal - proportionally sized					1	0	1
3	0-1	Pre-check list provided					1	0	0
4	0-1	Contact information					1	0	1

Comments: **The decal on your VSC contact page is incorrect (2006 decal - link on your squadron organization page)**

A7) Contacts for various activities

1	0-1	Public boating course contact(s)						1	0	1
2	0-1	Members course(s) contact(s)						1	0	1
3	0-1	Event(s) contact(s)						1	0	0

Comments:

A8) Current Activities/Educational calendars available

1	0-2	Public Boating Course (zero points if contact missing)	2	1	0	1
2	0-2	Members course(s) (zero points if contact missing)	2	1	0	1
3	0-2	Events (zero points if contact missing)	2	1	0	0
4	calc	Number of pages with dates over 45 days old.				-10
		Comments: The Public Boating Course page is outdated.				

A9) Identification of the bridge, committee members & contacts

1	0-1	Bridge listed	1	0	1
2	0-1	Bridge photo(s)	1	0	0
3	0-2	Five (5) of more committee contacts listed	2	1	0
		Comments: Good			

B1) Presentation quality and correctness.

1	0-3	Readability and Grammar	3	2	1	0	3
2	Calc.	Spelling errors, number.					0
		Comments: Good					

1 point reduction per error

B2) Quality of photographs and graphics.

1	0-2	Clear - Undistorted	2	1	0	0
2	0-2	Good color balance (not dark or over exposed)	2	1	0	0
3	0-2	Appropriately sized for application	2	1	0	0
		Comments: The graphics are great in your newsletters. Unfortunately none on the website.				

B3) Active Linkages & Navigation

1	0-2	Ease of Navigation	2	1	0	2
2	0-2	Links easy to identify	2	1	0	2
3	0-1	Links identify the subject	2	1	0	1
4	Calc.	Broken links, number				-3
		Comments: Coop Charting - Adopt-a-chart, Field Activities. VSC - P/C				

Maximum deduct -10 points

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B4) Resource Linkages

1	0-3	USPS Links, 10 or more for 3 points	3	2	1	0	2
2	0-3	Non-commercial Links, 10 or more for 3 points	3	2	1	0	2
3	0-3	Commercial Links, 10 or more for 3 points	3	2	1	0	0
4	Calc.	Disclaimer statement on Commercial Links page Y or N					
		Comments: For the above point determination; 10 or more links 3 points, 5 to 9 links 2 points, 1 to 4 links 1 point. If disclaimer statement is missing zero points for this section.					

B5) Ability to read the message.

1	0-2	Font - size and style	2	1	0	2
2	0-2	Font color, good contrast	2	1	0	2
3	0-2	Appropriate use of text space	2	1	0	2
4	0-2	Appropriate background. one point for no background	2	1	0	2
		Comments: Good				

Backgrounds which make reading page difficult zero points.

C1) Heading descriptive & appealing

Reading assignments & upcoming							
1	0-3	Home page, unique header (graphic)	3	2	1	0	2
2	0-2	All pages have informative header		2	1	0	2
Comments:							

C2) Consistent format across pages.

1	0-3	Consistent format across pages	3	2	1	0	3
		Comments:					

C3) Use of photos and/or graphics

1	0-5	Use of graphics to enhance message of website	5	4	3	2	1	0	0
		Comments:							

C4) Animated Graphics

Animated Graphics							
1	0-3	Use of animated graphics, appropriate and add interest of the website	3	2	1	0	0
		Comments:					

C5) Additional Website Features

1	0-1	Inclusion of USPS News RSS feed	1	0	0
2	0-1	Listing of area of location on the USPS list of websites go to http://www.usps.org/localusps/squadrons.shtml If scoring a district website item 2 is to be given one point	1	0	1
Comments					

D1) Overall impression of quality and effectiveness of the site

1	0-2	How well did you like the site, was it effective in presenting USPS and the unit to the public	2	1	0	1
2	0-2	If you were a non-member, would this site have increased your interest in USPS?	2	1	0	1
3	0-2	Would you be proud of having this website represent your unit or district:	2	1	0	1
		The site is nice but needs to include more of the USPS website requirements. The picture on the weather page shows up in Netscape Navigator but not in MS Internet Explorer (Information only - no deductions)				
Comments:						

Total Points Scored 34