

THE CITADEL
The Military College of South Carolina
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MEMORANDUM
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POLICY FOR HONORING STUDENT-ATHLETE JERSEYS

1. PURPOSE

The Purpose of this policy is to prescribe the process by which student-athlete jerseys may be honored. Because of the limited number of numbers available for sports teams, The Citadel no longer “retires” jersey numbers. Instead, The Citadel honors jerseys in perpetuity by framing and/or hanging jerseys or banners in honor of student-athlete achievements.

2. REFERENCE

NCAA Bylaw 16.1, *et. seq.*

3. DEFINITIONS

A. Honoring a jersey: Officially recognizing the accomplishments of a student-athlete by framing and or/hanging that student-athlete’s jersey in McAlister Field House, the Altman Athletic Center, Seignious Hall, or other appropriate athletic venue.

4. POLICY

A. Automatic Qualification: Achievement of any one of the following awards automatically qualifies a student-athlete to have his or her jersey honored, provided the criteria in 4.C, below, are met:

1. National Player of the Year
2. Individual National Champion
3. Consensus First Team All-American

B. Nomination Process: A student-athlete’s jersey may also be honored by nomination. Both the Head Coach of the student-athlete’s sport and the Director of Athletics must agree to honor the student-athlete.

1. To be eligible to have his or her jersey honored, a student-athlete must first be elected a member of The Citadel Athletic Hall of Fame.
2. Either the Head Coach of the student-athlete’s sport or Director of Athletics will nominate a student-athlete, in writing. The nomination must explain the exceptional qualifications of the nominated student-athlete.

3. Upon concurrence of the Head Coach, and provided the student-athlete has met the criteria in 4.C. below, the jersey will be honored at an appropriate time, as set by the Director of Athletics.
4. Examples of criteria that may be relevant to nomination of student-athletes to be honored:
 - a. National position award winner (i.e. Walter Payton Award, etc.)
 - b. Team MVP of a Southern Conference championship team (as determined by teammates or coach)
 - c. The Citadel's career leader in a major statistical category
 - d. Extraordinary recognition by the Southern Conference, NCAA or national sport organization
 - e. Leading their team to extraordinary team achievements
 - f. Extraordinary and remarkable accomplishments in the former student-athlete's profession after the student-athlete has left The Citadel
- C. Academic Requirement: The student-athlete to be honored must have either graduated from The Citadel or have been honorably separated.

5. COMPLIANCE

No student-athlete jersey will be honored except in compliance with this policy. All jerseys honored prior to the adoption of this policy shall remain. Any jerseys honored or attempted to be honored without compliance with this policy shall be removed.

FOR THE PRESIDENT:

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