

Honorary Air Assault Badge Criteria

Read Before Completing Application

The legacy of the soldiers who served with the 101st Airborne Division (Air Mobile) in Vietnam was the foundation of what has evolved into the air assault techniques and tactics of today. The soldiers of the current 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) earnestly desire to recognize the heritage of those soldiers who proved the concept of air mobility/air assault operations by awarding those who meet certain strict criteria, honorary air assault wings.

This is an Honorarium Award. Veterans who have provided the required criteria and who have been certified by the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) will be officially authorized to *purchase and wear (or display) the Air Assault Badge*. The Air Assault Badge may then be worn on civilian caps/clothing but is not authorized for wear on a uniform. It is also important to understand that this honorary recognition does not entitle the veteran to have the Air Assault Badge added to his official military personnel record.

Eligibility for the honorary award of the Air Assault Badge is based upon satisfaction of **ALL** of the following criteria:

- Assigned or attached to a combat unit in the 101st Airborne Division, 101st Air Cavalry Division or 101st Airborne Division (Air Mobile) in Vietnam during the period from 1965 through 1972; **AND**
- Served in direct combat in a Combat Arms duty MOS (Infantry, Combat Medic, Cavalry, Engineers, Field Artillery) with the 101st Airborne in Vietnam; OR was a Combat Support MOS assigned to a 101st combat unit in Vietnam; **AND**
- Awarded the CIB, CMB, Air Medal, ARCOM with V, Bronze Star, Legion of Merit, Silver Star, Distinguished Service Cross or Medal of Honor OR Conducted 25 or more Combat Helicopter Assaults or a lesser number of "hot" LZs; **AND**
- Graduated from Infantry AIT, NCOCC, OCS, IOBC, SERTS, CLC or RECONDO during the period of the Vietnam War; **AND**
- Provided a copy of form DD-214 (social security number blocked out)

The 101st Airborne Division Association is providing assistance to the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) by providing this important information to our members and by administratively collecting and delivering properly completed applications to the division award approving officials.

Send applications to: 101st Airborne Division Association
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