



THE FILIPINO VETERANS RECOGNITION
AND EDUCATION PROJECT

FilVetREP CGM Application and Eligibility Policy

Update as of June 14, 2018

All applicants – living veterans and Next of Kin must completely fill out the CGM application form and provide supporting documents to provide proof of wartime service from July 26, 1941 to Dec 31, 1946. Acceptable documents from **applicants** include: DD 214, enlistment records, award certificates, affidavits of service from National Personnel Records Center or Philippine Veterans Affairs of Office, or authenticated documents reflecting service in the Philippines with the U.S. Army Force in the Far East (USAFFE), or a member of the US Marine Corps, US Navy, US Coast Guard, Recognized Guerrillas Forces during the period of July 26, 1941 to Dec 31, 1946, or from July 26, 1941 and beyond Dec 31, 1946 showing extended service and up to retirement from US military service, or at any time before July 1941 and up to Dec 1946.

Unacceptable documents include: photographs, photo burial headstone, newspaper articles, forged documents, unreadable service records and documents, service records not reflecting wartime service of July 26, 1941 to Dec 31, 1946.

Acceptable documents can be copies of original records obtained from service records of the veterans, from the National Personnel Records Center in St Louis, MO, from the Philippine Veterans Affairs Office in Quezon City, Philippines, Army Center of Military History, Library of Congress,

Eligibility of applicants to receive the Congressional Gold Medal in the United States.

Living veterans who reside in the United States.

Next of kin of deceased veterans, but resides in the United States.



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Next of kin of deceased veterans interred in the Philippines, but reside in the United States.

Next of kin of deceased veterans interred in the United States, but reside in Canada, Europe, Australia, South America, South Korea, or anywhere in the world – will be evaluated on a case by case basis and given exemption.

Other exceptions on eligibility will be evaluated on a case by case basis.

Eligibility of applicants to receive the Congressional Gold Medal in the Philippines.

Living veterans who reside in the Philippines.

Next of kin of deceased veterans, but resides in the Philippines.

Next of kin of deceased veterans interred in the Philippines, but reside in the Philippines.

Other exception on eligibility will be determined on a case by case basis by PVAO.

Submission and Approval of Applications.

Living Veterans and Next of Kin residing in the 50 states can submit completed applications with supporting documents thru their respective regions for staffing approval at any time with limitations stated below.

Living Veterans and Next of Kin residing in the 4 territories - Guam, American Samoa, Puerto Rico, and Virgin Islands, and from international countries will submit their applications and supporting documents directly to Region 2.

Region Directors will acknowledge receipt of applications with supporting documents NLT 15 calendar days. Acknowledgement will be conducted thru email or in writing.



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Region Directors will have 30 days to **review and** approve **the CGM applications**. Incomplete applications will be returned to sender no **later** than 7 days with a 30 day request for completion and **resubmission** to their respective Regions for additional review and determination.

If Region Directors cannot make a decision at their level, they will forward the applications for further review and approval at the FILVETREP National Office.

Submissions and Approval of Applications for Scheduled CGM Award Events

New applications with supporting documents must be completed and submitted to the respective Region conducting a scheduled CGM Award Event not later than 45 days prior to the CGM Award event. Extension can be provided at the Region Director's purview.

All applications must be completed and approved not later than 15 days prior to the scheduled event or risk having a Living Veteran or Next of Kin not included in the ceremony.