# **Fact Sheet**

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## **U.S. Military Explorers Heraldry**

### **United States Military Explorers Seal**



#### **Description**

On silver metal, with dark blue background on a disc coloring with American bald eagle with wings displayed vertically grasping left Talon laurel wreath Dexter base, while the right Talon grasping arrows Sinister base. Bearing on its breast a shield of white with a capital letter "E" in Red. Above the eagle an arc of five white stars with pointed detail. Below the eagle lettering of "MMXV" in Roman Lettering Dexter to Sinister. On an encircling band above the eagle is the inscription "MILITARY EXPLORERS" in silver, while the band inscription "UNITED STATES OF AMERICA" in silver at the bottom. When illustrating the seal in color, the background will be silver metal with navy blue; the eagle and wreath proper; the arrows, shield and stars white. The encircling inner and outer band will be silver metal with navy blue.

#### **Symbolism**

The American Eagle, the national symbol of the United States as represented by the Great Seal is placed on a field of Silver metal showing the Test of Truth as typified by United States Military Explorers (USMX). The green laurel of peace in the eagle's right talon, Dexter base, symbolizes the hopeful wisdom in efforts of peaceful diplomacy used by the U.S., while the white arrows grasped in the Eagle's right talon, Sinister base typifies the purity of truth in defense of the nation. The white federal shield stands for the innocence of the youth, while the capital red letter "E" represents the valor with courage of the youth in patriotism toward a grateful nation. The symbolic BSA Exploring letter "E" also represents the past youth who have made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of their country. This continues with the heritage of Explorers past, present, and future.

The encircling band of five stars in white represent each branch of our U. S. Armed Forces (U. S. Air Force; U. S. Army; U. S. Marine Corps; U. S. Navy and the U. S. Coast Guard) in perfection with truth and wisdom. These unified forces all represent the bald eagle while in service to our nation. The Roman Numerals "MMXV" stand for the year when a unified effort to establish the U. S. Military Explorers began. The white again stands for purity in excellence of establishment.

The encircling band containing the words "U. S. MILITARY EXPLORERS" at Chief top, in white along with the words "UNITED STATES OF AMERICA" at Base bottom stand for perfection while showing the location of the command on the continent of North America.

#### Background

The Seal of the U. S. Military Explorers was originally approved for use on 1 August, 2016 for the Command Headquarters of the Exploring Division of Learning for Life, under the Boy Scouts of America, Irving, Texas. Original design elements were begun in Arizona under the U.S. Air Force Explorers having worked on various command elements throughout 2015 and 2016 prior to establishment of the command on 1 October, 2016.

The USMX Seal has been approved for use with various uniforms within the command to represent HQ Staff Officers, Officers and Cadet personnel within the command. as well as various other elements as authorized for wear while a member of the organization.

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