1. **Types of Submarine Patrol Insignias**

   a. There are two types of submarine patrol insignias awarded to a member, Submarine Combat and SSBN Deterrent. The awarding of each insignia is based on the completion of a successful patrol defined below.

   b. The determination of whether a patrol is successful is made by the type or task force commander under whose command the submarine operated.

2. **Submarine Combat Patrol Insignia**

   a. Authorization for the **Submarine Combat Patrol Insignia** is given to members regularly assigned to submarine duty on or after 7 December 1941, who completed one or more wartime combat patrols designated as successful because

      (1) the submarine sank or assisted in sinking at least one enemy vessel, or

      (2) the submarine accomplished a combat mission of comparable importance.

   b. The insignia represents completion of one successful patrol.

      (1) A **gold star** mounted on the insignia indicates an additional successful patrol.

      (2) A **silver star** mounted on the insignia indicates a total of five successful patrols.

**NOTE:** This insignia may be awarded to personnel prior to qualification in submarines in time of war.
3. **SSBN Deterrent Patrol Insignia.**

   a. Authorization for the **SSBN Deterrent Patrol Insignia** is given to members regularly assigned to submarine duty and who completed one or more SSBN deterrent patrols.

   b. The insignia represents completion of one successful patrol.

   (1) A **gold star** mounted on the insignia indicates an additional successful patrol.

   (2) A **silver star** mounted on the insignia indicates a total of five successful patrols.

**NOTE:** This insignia may be awarded to personnel prior to qualification in submarines.

4. **Service Record Entry.** A service record entry is made for each member upon authorization to wear these insignias. Additional entries shall be made for each succeeding successful patrol.

5. **Wearing Both Insignias.** Personnel eligible for the Submarine Combat Patrol Insignia and the SSBN Deterrent Patrol Insignia may wear only one at a time, according to their personal desires.