§ 13.01–25 Description of Gold Lifesaving Medal.

(a) The Gold Lifesaving Medal is 99.9 percent pure gold and consists of a pendant suspended by a swivel from the head of an eagle attached to a silk program ribbon 1 and 3⁄8ths inches in width, composed of a 3⁄16ths of an inch
§ 13.01–30 Description of Silver Lifesaving Medal.

(a) The Silver Lifesaving Medal is 99 percent pure silver and consists of a pendant suspended by a swivel from the head of an eagle attached to a silk grosgrain ribbon 1 and 3⁄16ths inches in width, composed of a 3⁄16ths of an inch blue stripe, a 1⁄32d of an inch white stripe, a 15⁄16ths of an inch silver gray stripe, a 1⁄32d of an inch white stripe, and a 3⁄32ds of an inch blue stripe. The pendant is 1 and 7⁄16ths inches in diameter and 3⁄32ds of an inch in thickness. On the reverse side of the pendant there appears, in the center a monument surmounted by an American eagle; the figure of a woman stands, to the left, holding in her left hand an oak wreath, and with her right hand, preparing to inscribe the name of the recipient on the monument; to the right are grouped a mast, a yard with a sail, an anchor, a sextant, and a laurel branch; the whole is encircled by the words: “In testimony of heroic deeds in saving life from the perils of the water.”

(b) Engraving: Before presentation, the recipient’s name shall be inscribed on the “monument”, on the reverse of the medal.

§ 13.01–35 Description of gold and silver bars.

(a) The bar is plain and horizontal, composed of the same metal as the medal previously awarded recipient, and is 1 and 5⁄16ths inches long by 3⁄16ths of an inch wide with a flowing ribbon draped over the left end and passing in back and appearing beneath the bar. The part of the ribbon showing beneath the bar bears the inscription “Act of Congress, August 4, 1949”, in raised block letters. The bar and ribbon are in folds of a spray of laurel with the leaf showing above and beneath.

(b) Engraving: Before presentation, the recipient’s name shall be inscribed on the obverse of the bar.

§ 13.01–40 Miniature medals and bars. 

(a) Miniature Gold and Silver Lifesaving Medals and bars are replicas of the Lifesaving Medals and bars, to be worn on civilian clothing. Such miniatures are not furnished by the Government.

(b) Miniature medals and bars may procured from sources authorized by the Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, to furnish same to persons who produce original documentary evidence of having been awarded the medal or bar for which a miniature replica is desired.

§ 13.01–45 Replacement of medals and bars.

The Gold or Silver Lifesaving Medal or bar will be replaced at cost to the applicant upon submitting a statement in affidavit form of having been awarded a medal or bar and the circumstances involving loss of same. A Lifesaving Medal or bar, however, may be replaced without charge in the discretion of the Commandant, if said medal or bar has, under extremely unusual circumstances, been lost, destroyed or rendered unfit for use without fault or neglect on the part of the person to whom it was awarded.