

1ST INFANTRY DIVISION



Shoulder Sleeve Insignia



Combat Service Identification Badge



Distinctive Unit Insignia

SHOULDER SLEEVE INSIGNIA. Description: On an olive drab shield 2 1/2 inches (6.35 cm) in width and 3 3/4 inches (9.53 cm) in height overall (the parallel sides 2 1/2 inches (6.35 cm) in length with a 90 degree angle pointed base) a red Arabic numeral "1" (1 3/4 inches (4.45 cm) in height overall).

Symbolism: The numeral identifies the Division's designation.

Background: The shoulder sleeve insignia was originally approved for the 1st Division on 31 October 1918, as a red number "1" and amended on 31 March 1927, to include the background of the insignia in the design. It was redesignated for the 1st Infantry Division on 19 August 1942. The insignia was amended to revise the description on 6 October 1972. (TIOH Dwg. No. A-1-76)

COMBAT SERVICE IDENTIFICATION BADGE. Description: A gold color metal and enamel device 2 inches (5.08 cm) in height consisting of a design similar to the shoulder sleeve insignia.

DISTINCTIVE UNIT INSIGNIA. Description: An oval-shaped gold color metal and enamel device 1 1/8 inches (2.86 cm) in height overall consisting of a gold color metal background encircled by an elliptical band divided horizontally of red to the top and blue to base, inscribed on the blue the motto "VICTORY" in gold color metal letters; centered on the device is the figure from the 1st Division Monument, modeled, in gold color metal, with wings and upraised arms extending over the red portion of the band.

Symbolism: The colors red and blue are from the distinguishing flags of Infantry Divisions. The figure portion is that of the 1st Infantry Division Monument, located in Washington, DC.

Background: The distinctive unit insignia was originally approved for Headquarters, Headquarters Detachment and Headquarters, Special Troops, 1st Division on 9 December 1930. It was redesignated for wear by all non-color-bearing elements of the 1st Infantry Division on 2 September 1965. The insignia was amended to revise the description and add a symbolism on 14 January 1974.