Military Free Fall Parachutist Badges, 1994-present



Military free fall parachutist badges, basic (left) and jumpmaster (right). These are worn above the left pocket flap.

Introduced by a Special Operations Command Directive in October 1, 1994, for wear only within and while assigned to SOCOM. The Department of the Army approved the badges in July 1997 for permanent wear throughout the army. Requirements for the badge are to have completed a military free fall combat jump or have completed the military free fall course at the special warfare center and school. Retroactive award was authorize for qualifications before 1 October 1994 for soldiers who met the training or combat jump requirement, provided they provided proof to the John F. Kennedy Special Warfare School, Ft. Bragg.