

12.9. AWARDS FOR ASTRONAUTICS

(Subject to approval by the FAI Astronautic Records Commission)

12.9.1. *(moved to 11.3 – 2007 edition)*

12.9.2. THE Yu. A. GAGARIN GOLD MEDAL

12.9.2.1. History. This Medal was established by the FAI in 1968 in honour of Astronaut Yu. A. Gagarin, who performed the first space flight by man on the 12th of April 1961. He lost his life on the 27th of March 1968 in a tragic aircraft accident while carrying out a training flight.

12.9.2.2. Eligibility. The Yu. A. Gagarin Gold Medal may be awarded to an astronaut who, in the previous year, is considered to have made the greatest achievement in Man's conquest of Space. The medal may also be awarded to a crew.

12.9.2.3. Frequency and Number. Normally, one Medal only is awarded each year. Exceptionally, 2 medals may be awarded.

12.9.2.4. Nomination and Approval. Procedures shall be as described in Chapter 10.

12.9.3. THE V. M. KOMAROV DIPLOMA

12.9.3.1. History. This Diploma was established in 1970 by the FAI to honour the memory of Soviet Cosmonaut Komarov who participated in the world record space flight of Voskhod 1 in 1964, and who lost his life while serving on a cosmic flight.

12.9.3.2. Eligibility. This Diploma may be awarded to astronauts, members of multi-seater crews, for outstanding achievements in the field of exploration of outer space in the previous year.

12.9.3.3. Frequency and Number. The maximum number of crews to be recognized annually shall be ~~one three~~.

12.9.3.4. Nomination and Approval. Each year, an FAI Member may submit the names of ~~one two~~ candidates (multi-seater crews) with supporting data. Nominations shall be processed by the FAI Astronautic Records Commission in accordance with Chapter 10.

12.9.4. THE KOROLEV DIPLOMA

12.9.4.1. History. This Diploma was established in 1988 upon a proposal by the FAI Astronautic Records Commission.

12.9.4.2. Eligibility. It may be awarded to technicians or engineers having worked in orbit or on a celestial body in building structures and/or their equipment, or in a non-planned restoration or repair of a broken device to make possible the continuation of a mission, and, on this occasion, having demonstrated human work in space.

12.9.4.3. Frequency and Number. Only one Diploma shall be awarded each year.

12.9.4.4. Nomination and Approval. Procedures shall be as described in Chapter 10.

12.9.5. THE ODYSSEY DIPLOMA

12.9.5.1. History. This Diploma was established in 1988 upon a proposal by the FAI Astronautic Records Commission.

12.9.5.2. Eligibility. It may be awarded to a person or a group of persons whose actions, achievements, or works on earth, in space, or on a celestial body have safeguarded or may safeguard human life in space.

12.9.5.3. Frequency and Number. Only one Diploma shall be awarded each year.

12.9.5.4. Nomination and Approval. Procedures shall be as described in Chapter 10.