

KM Rank/Career Patches - Navigating Helmsman

Description

Enlisted personnel and junior NCOs of the Kriegsmarine wore patches on their left sleeve that indicated both their rank and career. In the case of junior petty officers, it was an oval patch that denoted both rank and career. For the dress uniform the insignia was in gold metal on dark blue cloth with a metal backing plate. For other uniforms it was all embroidered. The patches for enlisted personnel were smaller, round, and always embroidered. The EM patches were worn above the rank chevrons. Patches were either gold-on-blue or blue-on-white for the white jumper.

The insignia for a Navigating Helmsman was a sextant. For petty officers the sextant was superimposed on crossed anchors. The career is also commonly called Coxswain.



Vermessungssteuermannmaat
Petty Officer 3rd Class in metal.



Petty Officer 2nd Class



Basic gold-on-blue machine embroidered.



High quality patch embroidered with heavy
thread.



Obvermessungssteuermannmaat
For the white jumper.



Steuermann



Enlisted Helmsman/Coxswain

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