

Heraldry of the

NORTH CENTRAL REGION PATCH

The North Central Region (NCR) is an administrative headquarters that provides support and assistance to the state wings subordinate to it. The NCR is the fifth of the eight Civil Air Patrol regions in the United States. The regions were most likely established in 1946 as they are given a passing mention in CAP's annual Report to Congress for 1947.

The seven wings subordinate to NCR are: North Dakota Wing, South Dakota Wing, Minnesota Wing, Iowa Wing, Nebraska Wing, Kansas Wing and Missouri Wing.

The region's unit patch is in the traditional shape of a shield with a red scroll at the bottom bearing the region's name in white. The shield is of medium blue. On the shield are seven white stars which represent the seven wings subordinate to the region. The big white star in the center represents the region headquarters. The yellow number 5 is the numerical designation of the region. The central logo of a blue circle with a white triangle containing a red three-blade propeller is the Civil Air Patrol logo that was used during World War II. The red V symbol at the five o'clock position on the shield represents a searchlight beam illuminating the large white star (i.e. the North Central Region Headquarters).

No record has been found that mentions who designed the patch, when it was designed, or when it was first authorized for wear on CAP uniforms.

