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From: Secretary of the Navy
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Subj: TRANSFER AND REDESIGNATION OF OFFICERS IN THE NAVY

Ref: (a) DODDIR 1310.2 of 24 Mar 84 (NOTAL)
(b) SECNAVINST 1120.12
(c) SECNAVINST 1421.5B (NOTAL)
(d) SECNAVINST 1120.8 (NOTAL)
(e) SECNAVINST 1120.6 (NOTAL)
(f) SECNAVINST 1120.4 (NOTAL)
(g) SECNAVINST 1120.5 (NOTAL)
(h) SECNAVINST 1120.7 (NOTAL)
(i) Title 10 United States Code (NOTAL)
(j) SECNAVINST 1520.7D (NOTAL)
(k) SECNAVINST 1427.2

Encl: (1) Definitions

1. Purpose. To prescribe regulations governing:

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- a. Transfer of Reserve officers, Reserve chief warrant officers (CWOs) and Reserve limited duty officers (LDOs) into the Regular Navy under reference (a);
 - b. Appointment of temporary CWOs and temporary LDOs as permanent chief warrant officers and permanent LDOs;
 - c. Transfer of Regular and Reserve officers between the line and the staff corps of the Navy or between staff corps; and
 - d. Transfer between the active duty list and Naval Reserve, Training and Administration of Reserves (TAR) status; and
 - e. Redesignation of Regular officers, Reserve officers, and LDOs from one designator to another.

2. Cancellation. SECNAV Instruction 1210.5.

3. Applicability. This instruction applies to all Regular and Reserve officers, Reserve CWOs, Reserve LDOs, Regular temporary LDOs, temporary CWOs and Regular permanent LDOs, who are applicants for transfer or redesignation in the active-duty component of the Navy or the Naval Reserve, TAR status.

4. Policy. Officers of the Naval Reserve on the active-duty list or in a TAR status may transfer to the Regular Navy to augment the Regular career force within the maximum authorized active-duty strength. Officers may transfer between the line of the Navy and a staff corps, between a staff corps and the line or between staff corps. Regular and Reserve active-duty list officers may also transfer to a TAR status to augment the TAR career force within the maximum authorized TAR active-duty strength. Qualified officers may also be redesignated for duty in different line competitive categories. CWOs may transfer from temporary to permanent appointment and from Reserve to Regular status. Such transfers and redesignations shall be used:

- a. For the career development of individual officers;
- b. To assist the Navy in attaining the objective of an all Regular career force in the grades of lieutenant commander and above;
- c. To the extent necessary to sustain authorized strength on the active-duty list, authorized Regular officer strength and authorized strength in the TAR program, within each competitive category and specialty; and
- d. To maintain promotion opportunity guidelines within each competitive category.

5. Definitions. Definitions of terms used in this instruction are provided in enclosure (1).

6. Eligibility criteria

a. Reserve officers (other than LDOs) applying for transfer into the Regular Navy must meet the following statutory eligibility requirements:

(1) Citizenship. Must be citizens of the United States with the following exception: a citizen of the Northern Mariana Islands who indicates in writing to a commissioned officer of the Armed Forces of the United States an intent to become a citizen of the United States may be appointed as a Regular commissioned officer. This exception expires upon the establishment of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. **(A)**

(2) Age. Must be able to complete 20 years of active commissioned service before their 55th birthday except officers of the Medical Corps, Dental Corps, and Chaplain Corps, who must be able to complete 20 years of active commissioned service before their 60th birthday.

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(3) Moral character. Must be of good moral character as established by the applicant's record.

(4) Physical standards. Must meet the physical standards for service in grade as established by the Director of Naval Medicine and approved by the Chief of Naval Operations. An applicant who fails to meet these standards may request a waiver pursuant to paragraph 12 of this instruction. Waiver requests should be forwarded to the Chief of Naval Operations via the Commander, Naval Medical Command, and the Commander, Naval Military Personnel Command, who will act for the Chief of Naval Personnel on such requests.

(5) Special qualifications. Appointments in the Regular Navy in the Medical or Dental Corps may be made only from persons who are qualified doctors of medicine, osteopathy, or dentistry.

In addition to these statutory requirements, applicants for transfer into the Regular Navy must meet such additional eligibility criteria as may be prescribed by the Chief of Naval Operations or by the Secretary of the Navy.

b. Reserve CWOs applying for a transfer into the Regular Navy must meet such eligibility criteria as may be prescribed by the Chief of Naval Operations.

A) c. Temporary CWOs and temporary LDOs applying for a permanent appointment as a CWO or LDO must meet such eligibility criteria as may be prescribed by the Chief of Naval Operations.

d. Regular and Reserve officers of the line requesting transfer into a staff corps and Regular and Reserve staff corps officers requesting transfer into the line of the Navy or into another staff corps must meet the following eligibility requirements:

(1) Must be serving in a grade not above lieutenant commander, O-4.

(2) Must meet additional eligibility criteria as prescribed by separate SECNAV instruction. The applicable SECNAV instructions include: for Medical appointments, reference (b); for Dental Corps appointments, reference (c); for Medical Service Corps appointments, reference (d); for Nurse Corps appointments, reference (e); for Chaplain Corps appointments, reference (f); for Judge Advocate General's Corps appointments, reference (g); for Civil Engineer Corps appointments, reference (h).

(3) Must meet such additional eligibility criteria as may be prescribed by the Chief of Naval Operations. **(A)**

(4) Reserve officers on the active-duty list in the grade of lieutenant commander, O-4, must be willing to accept a Regular appointment if tendered. **(A)**

e. Reserve LDOs who apply for transfer into the Regular Navy as Regular temporary LDOs must meet the requirements of subparagraphs 6a(1), (3), and (4), and:

(1) Must be serving in a grade not above lieutenant, O-3.

(2) Must meet such additional eligibility criteria as may be prescribed by the Chief of Naval Operations.

f. Reserve officers and Regular officers who apply for redesignation must meet the following eligibility requirements:

(1) Reserve officers on the active-duty list in grades lieutenant commander, O-4, or above must be willing to accept a Regular appointment if tendered.

(2) Reserve officers and Regular officers must meet such additional eligibility criteria as may be prescribed by the Chief of Naval Operations.

g. Regular permanent LDOs who apply for redesignation must meet such eligibility requirements as may be prescribed by the Chief of Naval Operations.

h. Regular temporary LDOs who apply for redesignation must meet the following eligibility requirements:

(1) Must have completed at least 10 years of active naval service, excluding active duty for training in a reserve component;

(2) Must be of good moral character;

(3) Must be physically qualified for active service;

(4) Must have a permanent enlisted or warrant officer grade in the Regular Navy;

(5) Must be serving in a grade not above lieutenant, junior grade O-2, except that those who received an initial appointment as an LDO or WO before 15 September 1981 must be serving in a grade not above lieutenant, O-3. **(B)**

(6) Must meet such additional criteria as may be prescribed by the Chief of Naval Operations.

i. Officers applying for transfer or redesignation to TAR status must meet the eligibility requirements of subparagraphs 6a(1), (3) and (4) and be qualified for assignment to sea duty.

7. Inactive-Duty Officers

a. Reserve officers and Reserve LDOs not on active duty are not eligible under this instruction for transfer into the Regular Navy.

(1) Reserve officers who are not on the active-duty list may not request transfer into the Regular Navy until they have been recalled from the Reserve component to the active-duty list and have served on active duty for at least 12 months, excluding all periods of duty under instruction in excess of 30 days, and have otherwise satisfied the criteria of subparagraph 6a.

(2) Reserve LDOs who are not on the active-duty list may not request transfer into the Regular Navy and appointment as a Regular temporary LDO until they have been recalled from the Reserve component to the active-duty list and have served on active duty for at least 12 months, excluding all periods of duty under instruction in excess of 30 days, and have otherwise satisfied the eligibility criteria in subparagraph 6e.

b. Section 1331 of reference (i) provides for retired pay benefits upon application for any member or former member of a Reserve component who has completed at least 20 years of qualifying service. The last 8 years of qualifying service must be performed as a member of a Reserve component.

8. **Training and Administration of Reserves (TAR) Officers.** Transfers may be made between the Regular Navy and the TAR program subject to the following limitations:

a. Transfers from the TAR program must not reduce TAR strength in the losing competitive category or unrestricted line designator below its authorized TAR strength.

b. Transfer from the Regular Navy must not reduce strength in the losing competitive category or unrestricted line designator below its authorized strength, increase promotion opportunity or reduce promotion flow point in the losing competitive category, or prevent attainment of full Regular authorized strength in the career grades in the losing competitive category.

c. Applicants for such transfers must meet the eligibility requirements in subparagraph 6a or 6i as applicable.

9. **Approval of Transfers and Redesignations.** Except as provided for below, all transfers and redesignations of officers under this instruction shall be made following the approved reports of Transfer/Redesignation Boards appointed by the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO).

a. Qualified Reserve officers in the following categories may, with the approval of the CNO, be transferred from the Naval Reserve into the Regular Navy without the board action referred to above, provided Regular officer authorized strengths within the given competitive category permit. Qualified Reserve officers in these categories will be appointed to meet Regular force and the career force objectives outlined in paragraph 4.

(1) Distinguished Naval Graduates (DNG). Such officers have the option of accepting a Regular appointment when tendered, or retaining their Reserve appointment.

(2) Reserve officers on the active-duty list in the Medical, Dental and Judge Advocate General's Corps who are selected for and promoted to the grade of commander or above per the recommendations of an active-duty promotion board convened after the effective date of this instruction and who have completed at least 3 years of active commissioned service

prior to selection for promotion. Such officers must accept a Regular appointment, if tendered, concurrent with promotion or be released from active duty on completion of any obligated service incurred or on expiration of any active-duty agreement.

(3) All other Reserve officers on the active-duty list who are selected for and promoted to the grade of lieutenant commander or above per the recommendations of an active-duty promotion board convened after 15 September 1981 and who have completed at least 3 years of active commissioned service prior to selection for promotion. Such officers must accept a Regular appointment, if tendered, concurrent with promotion or be released from active duty on completion of any obligated service incurred or on expiration of any active-duty agreement. Chaplain Corps officers who cannot obtain ecclesiastical endorsement for Regular appointment may be retained on the active-duty list to maintain authorized strength in grade when strength cannot be maintained with Regular officers or when necessary to maintain religious faith group balance.

(4) Reserve officers in subparagraphs 9a(2) and (3) with less than 3 years of active commissioned service prior to selection for promotion, upon completion of 3 years of active commissioned service. Such officers must accept a Regular appointment, if tendered, or be released from active duty on completion of any obligated service incurred or on expiration of any active-duty agreement.

(5) Reserve officers who successfully complete the Law Education Program (LEP) under reference (j) and are admitted to the practice of law. Such officers must, under signed agreement, accept a Regular appointment when tendered.

(6) Nuclear Propulsion Officer Candidate (NUPOC) source officers who successfully complete the nuclear power training pipeline. Such officers must, under signed agreement, accept a Regular appointment when tendered.

(7) Other officers as authorized by the Secretary of the Navy, considering any comments and recommendations of the Chief of Naval Personnel.

b. The Chief of Naval Personnel may take action to redesignate or transfer qualified Regular or Reserve officers in the following categories without Transfer/Redesignation Board action:

(1) Officers redesignated as a result of qualification within an unrestricted line warfare designator.

(2) Student officers redesignated as a result of completing professional requirements for appointment in the Medical, Dental, Judge Advocate General's, or Chaplain Corps.

(3) Officers redesignated as a result of administrative or medical board action requiring revocation or restoration of status.

(4) Officers to be redesignated following disenrollment from initial warfare training programs.

(5) Officers redesignated as trainees in an unrestricted line warfare designator.

10. Application. Officers may apply for transfer or redesignation for which they qualify under this instruction, following application procedures established by the Chief of Naval Personnel. Applicants may request consideration for no more than two designators within the same or different competitive categories.

11. Transfer/Redesignation Boards

a. Board Composition. Boards shall be convened by the CNO and shall consist of at least five members, military or civilian. Except for boards considering officers for transfer and redesignation into the TAR program, a majority of members will be officers of the Regular Navy serving in the grade of lieutenant commander or above. Boards considering the transfer and redesignation of officers into the TAR program will be comprised of a majority of TAR officers

serving in the grade of lieutenant commander or above. No member of the board shall act in the case of an applicant for transfer or redesignation who is serving in a higher grade than the member. A member may serve on two or more successive transfer/redesignation boards convened under this instruction. Boards considering Reserve officers for redesignation or transfer, other than into Regular Navy, must include at least one Reserve officer as a member. No fewer than two board members shall act on each applicant's case.

b. Oath. Each member of the board shall swear or affirm that he/she will perform his/her duties as a member of the board without prejudice or partiality and having in view both the special fitness of officers and the efficiency of the naval service.

c. Information to be Furnished. The Chief of Naval Personnel shall furnish the board with the names, applications and/or records of all eligible applicants.

d. Applications to be Considered. The board shall carefully consider each applicant for transfer or redesignation in the competitive category or categories requested under the guidelines set forth by the CNO in the precept. If an applicant requests consideration and is qualified for transfer or redesignation in more than one competitive category or in more than one designator within a competitive category, the board may recommend the applicant for transfer or redesignation in the designator for which the officer is best qualified.

e. Quotas. Each board may recommend for transfer or redesignation eligible officers in numbers not in excess of appropriate numbers furnished to it by the CNO to meet the objectives outlined in paragraph 4, but the board is not obligated to select to the numbers provided.

f. Board Reports. Each board will submit one or more written reports signed by all acting members and recorders. Each report shall certify that the board has complied with all instructions and directives contained in its

precept and that in the opinion of at least a majority of the members of a board acting in a given case:

(1) The applicants recommended for transfer are qualified for such transfer and are the best qualified for appointment in the competitive category with the designator for which recommended of all the candidates under consideration, and

(2) The applicants recommended for redesignation are qualified for such redesignation and are the best qualified for redesignation in the competitive category with the designator for which recommended of all the candidates under consideration.

g. Forwarding and Disclosure of Board Proceedings and Recommendations. The report of each board shall be forwarded to CNO for approval or disapproval, in whole or in part via the Deputy Chief of Naval Personnel and Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (MP&T). (R) The proceedings of the board and, prior to their approval, the recommendations of the board shall not be divulged by any member of the Board or by the recorders, except as authorized by the Secretary of the Navy.

h. Removal. The CNO may remove the name of any officer from the list of officers recommended for transfer or redesignation under this instruction.

12. Appointment.

a. A reserve officer (other than a Reserve LDO) approved for transfer into the Regular Navy shall be appointed under sections 531, 532, and 533 of reference (i) in the same grade and with the same date of rank which officer holds as an active-duty list or TAR officer or which such officer would have held had such officer been serving on the active-duty list or in a TAR status as an officer of the Naval Reserve on the date of such appointment as a Regular officer.

Such appointments may not be made in a grade above captain, 0-6. Such appointments shall be made by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

b. A Reserve CWO approved for transfer shall be appointed in the Regular Navy under sections 555, 556 and 602 of reference (i), as applicable, in his/her present permanent and temporary grades with the same date of rank which such officer holds on the date the Regular Navy appointment is effected. Such appointments shall be made by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

c. A Regular officer approved for transfer into the Reserve component shall be appointed under sections 591, 593, and 595 of reference (i) in the same grade and with the same date of rank which such officer held as a Regular officer on the active-duty list. Appointments in grades above lieutenant commander, 0-4 shall be made by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Appointments in grades below commander, 0-5 shall be made by the President alone.

d. A temporary CWO approved for transfer to a permanent warrant officer grade shall be matched to a CWO holding a permanent warrant officer grade in the Regular Navy whose temporary CWO grade and date of rank corresponds most closely to the temporary CWO's temporary grade and date of rank. The temporary CWO shall then be appointed under section 555 of reference (i) in the same permanent warrant officer grade and with the same date of rank as his/her matching officer. The temporary CWO so appointed shall retain his/her temporary appointment in a CWO grade. Such appointments shall be made by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

e. A temporary LDO approved for transfer to a permanent grade shall be matched to an LDO holding a permanent grade in the Regular Navy whose permanent LDO grade and date of rank corresponds most closely to the temporary LDO's temporary grade and date of rank. The

temporary LDO shall then be appointed under section 5589 of reference (i) in the same permanent grade and with the same date of rank as his/her matching officer. Such appointments shall be made by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

f. The transfer of Regular and Reserve officer between the line and the staff corps of the Navy or between staff corps shall be as follows:

(1) Subject to paragraph 6d, a Regular officer of the line of the Navy approved for transfer into the Supply Corps or the Civil Engineer Corps, or a Regular officer in the Supply Corps or the Civil Engineer Corps approved for transfer into the line shall be appointed under section 5582 of reference (i) in the same grade and with the same date of rank which such officer held on the date immediately preceding the new appointment. Such appointments shall be made by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

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(2) Subject to paragraph 6d, a Regular officer in the line or a staff corps of the Navy who is approved for transfer into another staff corps (other than the Supply Corps or Civil Engineer Corps) shall be appointed under section 531 of reference (i) in a grade, and with a date of rank, as determined under section 533 of reference (i), implementing directives, and the applicable references (b) through (g) as applicable. Such appointments shall be made by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

(3) Subject to paragraph 6d, a Regular officer in a line staff corps of the Navy (other than the Supply Corps or Civil Engineer Corps) who is approved for transfer into the line of the Navy shall be appointed under sections 531 and 532 of reference (i) with entry grade credit under section 533 of reference (i) including day-for-day credit for prior commissioned service (other than as a CWO) on active duty or in an active status. Such appointments shall be made by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The prospective appointee's grade and date of rank shall be the same as that of the line officer who:

(a) was initially appointed in the grade of ensign in the line of the Navy;

(b) has served continuously on the active-duty list of the Navy since his/her initial appointment in the line;

(c) was promoted under reference (i) in due course to all grades in which he/she has served;

(d) has not lost numbers or precedence; and

(e) has active commissioned service on the active-duty list since such appointment which is most nearly equal to, but not less than, the entry grade credit being given to the appointee.

(4) A Reserve officer in the line of the Navy who is approved for transfer into a staff corps (other than the Supply Corps) or a Reserve officer in a staff corps of the Navy who is approved for transfer into another staff corps shall be appointed under sections 591 and 593 of reference (i) in a grade and with a date of rank, as determined under section 5600 of reference (i), implementing directives and the applicable references (b) through (h) as indicated in paragraph 6d. Appointments in the grade commander, O-5, or above shall be made by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Appointments in the grade lieutenant commander, O-4, or below shall be made by the President alone.

(5) A Reserve officer in the line of the Navy who is approved for transfer into the Supply Corps and a Reserve officer in a staff corps who is approved for transfer into the line shall be appointed under sections 591 and 593 of reference (i) with entry grade credit under section 5600 of reference (i) including day-for-day credit for prior commissioned service (other than as a commissioned warrant officer) on active duty or in an active status. Such appointments shall be made by the President alone. The prospective appointee's grade and date of rank shall be the same as that of the line or Supply Corps officer, as appropriate, who:

(a) was initially appointed in the grade of ensign in the line or Supply Corps of the Navy;

(b) has served continuously on the active-duty list of the Navy since his/her initial appointment in the line or Supply Corps;

(c) was promoted under reference (i) in due course to all grades in which he/she has served;

(d) has not lost numbers or precedence; and

(e) has active commissioned service on the active-duty list since such appointment which is most nearly equal to, but not less than, the entry grade credit being given to the appointee.

g. A Reserve LDO approved for transfer into the Regular Navy shall either be enlisted in the Regular Navy in the same permanent enlisted pay grade (but not below petty officer first class) which such individual held prior to appointment as a Reserve LDO, or be appointed in the Regular Navy under section 555 of reference (i) in the same permanent WO grade which such individual held prior to appointment as a Reserve LDO. The individual, following such enlistment or appointment as a WO, shall then be appointed under section 5596 of reference (i) as a Regular temporary LDO in the same grade, not above the grade of lieutenant, and with the same date of rank which such officer held as a Reserve LDO immediately before appointment as a Regular officer. Such temporary appointments will be made by the Secretary of the Navy.

h. The redesignation of Regular LDOs shall be as follows:

(1) A Regular permanent LDO approved for redesignation shall be assigned to the designator for which recommended by the board and approved by the ^{CNO} Secretary under section 5589(e) of reference (i). Such appointments will be made by the Secretary of the Navy.

(2) A Regular temporary LDO approved for redesignation shall be appointed under section 5589(a) of reference (h) in the same grade, but not above the grade of lieutenant, and with the same date of rank which such officer held as a Regular temporary LDO on the day before such permanent appointment. The officer shall then be assigned the designator for which recommended by the board and approved by ~~the Secretary~~ ^{the CNO} under section 5589(e) of reference (h). Such appointments will be made by the Secretary of the Navy.

i. A Regular or Reserve officer of the line of the Navy who is approved for redesignation shall be assigned the designator for which recommended by the board and approved by ~~the Secretary~~ ^{the CNO}.

13. Waivers of eligibility requirements. The Chief of Naval Personnel may grant requests for waiver of any eligibility requirement contained in paragraph 6, except those established by statute, in the following instances:

a. For a definable class of individuals which is rationally distinguishable on grounds related to the needs of the Navy from those persons for whom no exception is made by regulation or statute.

b. When gross inequity to the applicant would otherwise result.

c. When in the judgment of the Chief of Naval Personnel, extraordinary circumstances cause such a waiver to be in the best interest of the naval service.

14. Reports. The reports contained in this instruction are exempt from reports control by OPNAVINST 5214.7.

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DEFINITIONS

1. Active commissioned service. Service on active duty as a commissioned officer in a grade above warrant officer, W-1.
2. Active duty. Full-time duty in the active military service of the United States. Includes duty on the active-duty list, full-time training duty, annual training duty, and attendance, while in the active military service, at a school designated as a service school by law or by the Secretary of the military department concerned.
3. Active-duty list. A single list established by reference (k) of all officers on active duty. It includes all officers of the Regular Navy and Naval Reserve on active duty, except the following officers:
 - a. Reserve officers on active duty for training;
 - b. Reserve officers serving as members of the Reserve Forces Policy Board;
 - c. Reserve officers on active duty at the seat of government and at headquarters responsible for Reserve affairs, to participate in preparing and administering the policies and regulations affecting the Reserve component;
 - d. Reserve officers on active duty as members of the Naval Reserve Policy Board;
 - e. Reserve officers on active duty in connection with organizing, administering, recruiting, instructing or training the Reserve components;
 - f. Reserve officers on active duty to pursue special work;
 - g. Officers of the Selected Reserve ordered to active duty for periods of not more than 90 days;
 - h. Reserve officers on active duty for the administration of the Selective Service System;
 - i. Warrant officers;
 - j. Retired officers on active duty;
 - k. Students at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences.

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4. Applicant. An officer or chief warrant officer who applies, or who is considered without making formal application, for transfer or redesignation under this instruction.

5. Distinguished Naval Graduate (DNG). An individual who graduates from the Officer Candidate School (OCS), Aviation Officer Candidate School (AOCS), or the NROTC College Program and who is designated a Distinguished Naval Graduate by virtue of demonstrated outstanding qualities of leadership, high moral character, noteworthy achievement in the training program and exceptional aptitude for the naval service, under selection criteria established by the Chief of Naval Operations or his delegee for this purpose.

6. Line of the Navy. Officers in the line of the Navy include officers in the grade of ensign and above in the following competitive categories:

<u>Designators</u>	<u>Competitive Category</u>
11XX/13XX	Unrestricted Line Officer
14XX	Engineering Duty Officer
150X	Aeronautical Engineering Duty Officer
151X	Aeronautical Engineering Duty Officer (Aeronautical Engineering)
152X	Aeronautical Engineering Duty Officer (Aviation Maintenance)
161X	Special Duty Officer (Cryptology)
163X	Special Duty Officer (Intelligence)
165X	Special Duty Officer (Public Affairs)
180X	Special Duty Officer (Oceanography)
61XX/62XX/63XX/64XX/655X	Limited Duty Officer (Line)

7. Redesignation. The assignment of a different designator within the same or a different competitive category as follows:

a. The designation of a Regular permanent LDO in the line of the Navy in a different line competitive category; or the designation of a Regular permanent LDO in a staff corps of the Navy as an officer unrestricted in the performance of duty in that staff corps.

b. The appointment of a Regular temporary LDO in the line of the Navy as a Regular permanent LDO, and the designation of that officer so appointed in a different line competitive category; or the appointment of a Regular temporary LDO in a staff corps as a Regular permanent LDO and the designation of that officer so appointed as unrestricted in the performance of duty in that staff corps.

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c. The designation of a Regular or Reserve officer in the line of the Navy in a different line competitive category or in the same competitive category with a different specialty.

8. Regular officer. An officer of the Regular Navy on the active-duty list serving under a permanent appointment in a grade above chief warrant officer, W-4.
9. Regular permanent limited duty officer (LDO). An officer of the Regular Navy on the active-duty list who is designated for limited duty in the line, or designated for limited duty within a staff corps, as indicated by the individual's designator, and who is serving under a permanent appointment in a grade above chief warrant officer, W-4.
10. Regular temporary limited duty officer (LDO). An officer whose permanent status in the Regular Navy is warrant officer or enlisted member and who is serving on active duty under a temporary appointment in a grade above chief warrant officer, W-4, as an officer designated for limited duty in the line or designated for limited duty within a staff corps, as indicated by the individual's designator.
11. Reserve chief warrant officer. An officer of the Naval Reserve serving on active duty in a permanent chief warrant officer grade.
12. Reserve limited duty officer. An officer of the Naval Reserve who is designated for limited duty in the line, or designated for limited duty within a staff corps as indicated by the individual's designator, and who is serving under a permanent appointment in a grade above chief warrant officer, W-4.
13. Reserve officer. An officer of the Naval Reserve on the active-duty list, on active duty for the training and administration of the Reserves (TAR), serving under a permanent appointment in a grade above chief warrant officer, W-4.
14. Temporary chief warrant officer. An officer serving on active duty whose permanent status in the Regular Navy is as an enlisted member and who is serving under a temporary appointment in the grade of chief warrant officer, W-2, W-3, or W-4.
15. Training and Administration of Reserves (TAR). An officer of the Naval Reserve on active duty other than active duty for training, but not on the active-duty list, designated for the training and administration of the Naval Reserve under Section 678 of reference (i).