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SUBJ/ENLISTED APPLICATIONS TO THE U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY//

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REF/B/DOC/OPNAV/14DEC2009//  
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NARR/REF A IS NAVMED P-117, MEDICAL STANDARDS REQUIRED TO ATTAIN COMMISSION. REF B IS OPNAVINST 1420.1B, ENLISTED TO OFFICER COMMISSIONING PROGRAMS APPLICATION ADMINISTRATIVE MANUAL (NAVAL ACADEMY, CHAPTER 3). REF C IS MARINE CORPS ORDER 1530.11G, APPLICATION TO THE U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY AND NAVAL ACADEMY PREPARATORY SCHOOL.//

RMKS/1. THE U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY (USNA) IS WITHIN THE ADMISSIONS CYCLE FOR THE CLASS OF 2016, ENTERING 28 JUNE 2012. THE USNA PROVIDES APPROXIMATELY 1,000 OFFICERS TO THE NAVY AND MARINE CORPS EVERY YEAR WITH MANY FROM EVERY CLASS ENTERING AS PRIOR ENLISTED MEN AND WOMEN FROM THE REGULAR AND RESERVE COMPONENTS OF THE NAVY AND MARINE CORPS. ALL COMMANDING OFFICERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PROVIDE EDUCATION AND GUIDANCE TO ALL ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES ON THIS OPPORTUNITY.

2. THE USNA CONTINUES TO SEEK TOP QUALITY SAILORS AND MARINES WHO FIT THE FOLLOWING PROFILE:

A. ACADEMICS:

- (1) POSSESSES A STRONG HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE INDICATING THE POTENTIAL TO SUCCEED AT THE USNA. FLEET APPLICANTS RANKED IN THE TOP 40 PERCENT OF THEIR HIGH SCHOOL CLASS ARE TYPICALLY CONSIDERED COMPETITIVE.
- (2) POSSESSES SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST (SAT) REASONING TEST SCORES TAKEN WITHIN THE LAST TWO YEARS. THERE IS NO MINIMUM SCORE, THOUGH APPLICANTS SHOULD AIM TO SCORE ABOVE 500 CRITICAL READING AND 550 MATH WITH A COMBINED SCORE OF AT LEAST 1050 OR AMERICAN COLLEGE TESTING (ACT) SCORES OF 22 ENGLISH AND 24 MATH. THE SAT WRITING SCORE IS NOT USED FOR ADMISSION PURPOSES. POTENTIAL CANDIDATES WITH SAT OR ACT SCORES THAT ARE OLDER THAN TWO YEARS OR BELOW THE MINIMUM STANDARDS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO RETAKE THE TEST DURING THE APPLICATION PROCESS. STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL 1 MARCH 2012 FOR APPLICANTS WHO HAVE ALREADY MET THE MINIMUM STANDARDS AND WANT TO IMPROVE THEIR SCORES.
- (3) COMPLETED FOUR YEARS OF MATHEMATICS INCLUDING A

STRONG FOUNDATION IN GEOMETRY, ALGEBRA, AND TRIGONOMETRY, FOUR YEARS OF ENGLISH, AND ONE YEAR OF CHEMISTRY. ADDITIONALLY, PHYSICS, CALCULUS, HISTORY, AND TWO YEARS OF A FOREIGN LANGUAGE ARE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED. CONTINUED EDUCATION SINCE HIGH SCHOOL IS VITAL AND CANDIDATES ARE ENCOURAGED TO STRENGTHEN THEIR PACKAGES WITH COLLEGE COURSES IN HIGHER MATH AND SCIENCES.

B. MILITARY TOP PERFORMERS WHO POSSESS STRONG LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL, PAST AND PRESENT COMMAND JUNIOR SAILORS/BLUEJACKETS OF THE QUARTER/YEAR, AND TOP 20 PERCENT PERFORMERS IN "A" AND "C" SCHOOLS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO APPLY FOR A COMMISSION THROUGH THE USNA

C. GOOD MORAL CHARACTER AND UNQUESTIONABLE LOYALTY TO THE UNITED STATES, AS DETERMINED BY COMMAND INTERVIEW AND MILITARY RECOMMENDATIONS.

D. NO RECORD OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION UNDER UNIFORM CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE (UCMJ), ARTICLE 15, OR CONVICTION BY CIVIL COURT FOR MISDEMEANORS (EXCEPT MINOR TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS) DURING THE THREE YEARS PRECEDING APPLICATION FOR THE PROGRAM.

E. OUTSTANDING PHYSICAL FITNESS, AS DETERMINED BY THE CANDIDATE FITNESS ASSESSMENT AND RECENT PHYSICAL FITNESS ASSESSMENT PERFORMANCES.

F. MUST NOT HAVE PASSED 23RD BIRTHDAY ON 1 JULY OF THE YEAR OF ADMISSION TO THE ACADEMY.

G. MUST NOT BE MARRIED, PREGNANT, OR HAVE INCURRED OBLIGATIONS OF PARENTHOOD.

3. CANDIDATES WITH STRONG ACADEMIC AND MILITARY BACKGROUNDS MAY RECEIVE DIRECT APPOINTMENTS TO THE USNA. TOP MILITARY PERFORMERS WHO NEED TO STRENGTHEN THEIR ACADEMIC BACKGROUND MAY BE SELECTED TO ATTEND THE NAVAL ACADEMY PREPARATORY SCHOOL (NAPS) IN NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND FOR ONE YEAR AND APPOINTMENT TO USNA THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

4. PERSONNEL SELECTED TO ATTEND THE NAVAL ACADEMY OR NAPS MUST BE MEDICALLY QUALIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE MEDICAL EXAMINATION REVIEW BOARD (DODMERB) IN ORDER TO BE COMMISSIONED AS AN OFFICER IN THE NAVY OR MARINE CORPS. ONCE YOU HAVE RECEIVED YOUR CANDIDATE NUMBER, CONTACT DODMERB IMMEDIATELY AT 1-800-841-2706 TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT. REF A PROVIDES MEDICAL STANDARDS.

5. SECRETARY OF THE NAVY MAY APPOINT UP TO 170 REGULAR AND RESERVE ENLISTED PERSONNEL EACH YEAR TO THE USNA. DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR THE CLASS OF 2016 IS 31 JANUARY 2012. DEADLINE FOR ALL COMPLETED APPLICATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS IS 1 MARCH 2012. PACKAGES COMPLETED BEFORE 1 MARCH 2012 WILL BE REVIEWED BY THE ADMISSIONS BOARD AS SOON AS RECEIVED. PACKAGES WILL NOT BE REVIEWED WITHOUT COMMANDING OFFICER RECOMMENDATION. REF B PROVIDES GUIDANCE.

6. THE FIRST STEP IS FOR APPLICANTS TO SUBMIT A PRELIMINARY APPLICATION ON-LINE AT [WWW.USNA.EDU/ADMISSIONS](http://WWW.USNA.EDU/ADMISSIONS) (ALL LOWERCASE) TO BECOME AN OFFICIAL CANDIDATE. AFTER SELECTION AS A CANDIDATE, A CANDIDATE NUMBER, USERNAME, AND PASSWORD WILL BE ASSIGNED AND THE CANDIDATE WILL BE DIRECTED TO COMPLETE THE ON-LINE APPLICATION AT [WWW.USNA.EDU/CANDIDATEINFORMATION](http://WWW.USNA.EDU/CANDIDATEINFORMATION). THE USNA OPERATES ON A ROLLING ADMISSIONS PROCESS AND IT IS ENCOURAGED THAT ALL FLEET APPLICANTS

AIM FOR EARLY SUBMISSION IN ORDER TO IMPROVE COMPETITIVENESS.  
ALL COMMANDS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO INCREASE AWARENESS OF THIS  
OPPORTUNITY WITH ALL ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES.

7. FOR APPLICATION QUESTIONS, WRITE TO: U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY,  
CANDIDATE GUIDANCE OFFICE, 117 DECATUR ROAD, ANNAPOLIS, MD  
21402-5018, ATTN: FLEET LIAISON; OR CALL THE FLEET LIAISON AT  
(410) 293-1839/1836/DSN 281; OR E-MAIL ETCS MAXWELL AT  
EMAXWELL(AT)USNA.EDU.

8. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE USNA MAY BE OBTAINED  
THROUGH THE NAVAL ACADEMY WEBSITE AT WWW.USNA.EDU. ADDITIONAL  
INFORMATION FOR ENLISTED APPLICANTS MAY BE OBTAINED AT  
WWW.USNA.EDU/ADMISSIONS/STEPS.HTM (ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE APPLICANTS).

9. RELEASED BY RAY MABUS, SECRETARY OF THE NAVY.//  
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