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

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NARR/REF A IS NAVMED P-117, MANUAL OF THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.
REF B IS OPNAVINST 1420.1B, ENLISTED TO OFFICER COMMISSIONING PROGRAMS
APPLICATION ADMINISTRATIVE MANUAL.
REF C IS MARINE CORPS ORDER 1040.43B, APPLICATION FOR NOMINATION TO THE U.S.
NAVAL ACADEMY AND NAVAL ACADEMY PREPARATORY SCHOOL.//

RMKS/1. The U.S. Naval Academy (USNA) is seeking top performing, energetic
male and female Sailors and Marines, active and reserve, who have
demonstrated strong leadership, for admission to the Naval Academy Class of
2026. Among each USNA class is a corps of prior-enlisted Sailors and Marines
who infuse peer-level fleet experience into the Brigade of Midshipmen.
Twenty years from now, these young men and women, from all walks of American
life, will lead our fleet. Commanding Officers (CO) are encouraged to
identify motivated enlisted personnel who meet the criteria and may be good
candidates for selection to USNA.

2. Successful candidates will be top-quality Sailors and Marines who fit the
following profile:

a. Academics.
   (1) Possess a strong high school grade point average indicating the
   potential to succeed at USNA. Fleet applicants ranked in the top 40 percent
   of their high school class are typically considered competitive.
   (2) Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores taken within the last two
   years. The SAT is a three-part test consisting of reading, math, and
   writing. Applicants should aim to score above 500 in reading (verbal) and
   above 550 in math, with a combined minimum of 1050. The writing component
   is not required for consideration for admission. For applicants who have taken
   the American College Test (ACT) within the last two years, scores of 22 in
   English and 24 in Math are recommended. Potential candidates with SAT or ACT
   scores that are older than two years or below these guidelines are strongly
   encouraged to retake the test.
   (3) Typically 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; candidates are encouraged to strengthen their
   admission application with college courses in higher level math and sciences.
   (4) If schedule permits, applicants are encouraged to complete
   college courses that display current academic ability.

b. Top performers who have demonstrated or possess strong leadership
   (e.g., past and present Command Junior Sailors/Bluejackets of the
   Quarter/Year, top 20 percent performers in "A" and "C" schools, class
leaders, Honor Guard members, and community volunteers).

c. Good moral character and unquestionable loyalty to the United States, as determined by a command interview and military recommendations.

d. No record of disciplinary action under Article 15, Uniform Code of Military Justice, or conviction by civil court (except minor traffic violations) during the three years preceding application for admission. Waivers are on a case-by-case basis.

e. We are seeking candidates with outstanding physical fitness. In addition to passing the Candidate Fitness Assessment in the USNA application, candidates need to have demonstrated the ability to pass the Naval Academy physical fitness requirements within the last year. The USNA Physical Readiness Test standards (Minimum Passing Scores) are:

(1) Push-ups (Two Minutes): 45 (Male); 20 (Female)
(2) Front Plank: 1:45; and
(3) 1.5 Mile Run: 10:30 (Male); 12:40 (Female).

f. Must not have passed their 23rd birthday on 1 July of the year of admission to USNA.

g. Must not be married, pregnant, or have incurred obligations of parenthood.

3. Candidates with superior academic performance and strong military backgrounds may receive direct appointments to USNA. Top performers who need to strengthen their academic background may be selected to attend the Naval Academy Preparatory School (NAPS) in Newport, RI for one year and receive an appointment to USNA the following year.

4. Personnel selected to attend USNA 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 candidates complete 50 percent of the application, their name will be sent to DoDMERB for the physical and eye exams. The candidate will be contacted by Concorde, the DoDMERB contractor, with information on where to receive the physical and eye exams. The Service Member will be contacted by the USNA Fleet Coordinator with information on how to get the physical and eye exam completed at their own Military Treatment Facility as an alternative. Reference (a) provides medical standards.

5. Up to 170 regular and reserve personnel may be appointed to USNA each year. The deadline to apply to the Class of 2026 is 31 December 2021. The deadline for all completed application documents is 31 January 2022. Applicants are strongly encouraged to complete their application as soon as possible. Packages completed before 31 January 2022 will be reviewed by the Admissions Board as soon as they are received. Packages will not be reviewed without the CO’s endorsement. References (b) and (c) provide guidance.

6. An applicant becomes an official candidate by submitting a preliminary application on-line at https://www.usna.edu/Admissions/. A follow-on e-mail back to the fleet applicant will provide them with a candidate number and instructions for completing the full application. USNA operates on a rolling admissions process and fleet applicants are encouraged to complete their applications early to improve competitiveness.

7. Direct application questions to the Fleet Liaison at (410) 293-1839/DSN 281-1839 or siegfrie@usna.edu, or write to: U.S. Naval Academy, Candidate Guidance Office, Halsey Field House, 52 King George St, Annapolis, MD 21402-1318, Attn: Fleet Liaison.

8. Additional information about USNA may be obtained at https://www.usna.edu/Admissions/Apply/Active-Duty-Service-Applicants.php.

9. Released by the Honorable Thomas W. Harker, Acting Secretary of the Navy.

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