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NARR/REFERENCE (A) IS MCO 1040.43B ENLISTED TO OFFICER COMMISSIONING PROGRAMS (CHAPTER 6). REFERENCE (B) IS MCO 1560.28B VETERANS' EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE BENEFITS. REFERENCE (C) IS NAVMED P-117 MANUAL OF THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT. REFERENCE (D) IS OPNAVINST 1420.1B, ENLISTED TO OFFICER COMMISSIONING PROGRAMS APPLICATION ADMINISTRATIVE MANUAL (NAVAL ACADEMY, CHAPTER 3). REFERENCE (E) IS MCO P1020.34H MARINE CORPS UNIFORM REGULATION CH 1-5.//

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GENTEXT/REMARKS/1. Purpose. To inform Active and Reserve Marines that the U.S. Naval Academy (USNA) is seeking top performing, energetic male and female Marines who have demonstrated strong leadership or leadership potential for admission to the USNA Class of 2028. Among each USNA class is a corps of prior-enlisted Marines who infuse peer-level fleet experience into the Brigade of Midshipmen. Commanding Officers (COs) are encouraged to identify motivated enlisted personnel who meet the criteria and may be good candidates for selection to USNA as per reference (a).

2. The USNA is accepting applications for nominations to the USNA for the Class of 2028, entering 1 July 2024. Military top performers who possess strong leadership potential (e.g. past and present command Marines of the Quarter/Year, top 20 percent performers in "A" and "C" follow-on schools, class leaders, Honor Guard members, and community volunteers) are encouraged to apply. Demonstrated achievements should be included in each applicant's request for admission.

3. Information. All applicants must read reference (b) regarding education benefits and contact their base education officer for counseling regarding benefits if selected for USNA or NAPS. Further inquiries regarding continued eligibility of education benefits may be directed to Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps, Voluntary Education Branch (MRV); at DSN 278-9550 or commercial (703) 784-9550.

4. Basic requirements for admission to the Naval Academy are:

A. Not have passed 23rd birthday on 1 July of the year of admission to USNA.

B. Not be married, pregnant, or have incurred obligations of parenthood.

C. Possess a strong high school grade point average in order to demonstrate the potential to succeed at the USNA. Fleet applicants ranked in the top 40 percent of the their high school class are typically considered competitive.

D. Possess 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 550 in Math and 500 in Critical Reading with a combined score of 1050 to be considered competitive. While writing is an important component of the SAT, there is no recommended minimum for this part of the test. For applicants who have taken the American College Test (ACT) within the last two years, scores of at least 24 in Math and 22 in English are recommended. Potential candidates with SAT or ACT scores that are older or below these guidelines are strongly encouraged to retake the test. USNA will accept applications with no SAT/ACT scores or scores past the two year mark but the applicants should inform the Fleet Coordinator as to why the tests were not able to be taken.

E. 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 Science. Candidates are encouraged to complete college courses that display current academic ability.

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

G. No record of disciplinary action under the Uniform Code of Justice, Article 15, or conviction by civil court (except minor traffic violations) during the three years preceding application for the program.

H. Outstanding physical fitness, as determined by the Candidate Fitness Assessment, recent Physical Fitness tests, and Combat Fitness tests. 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 PRT standards (Minimum Passing Scores) are:

- (1) Push-ups (Two minutes): 35 (Male); 20 (Female); and
- (2) Front Plank (1:45): and
- (3) 1.5 mile Run: 10:30 (male); 12:40 (Female).

5. Marines may only apply to the USNA. Candidates with strong academic and military backgrounds may receive direct appointments to the USNA. Naval Academy Preparatory School (NAPS) obtains its students from USNA applications that, in the opinion of the USNA admissions board, could benefit from an additional year of academic preparation. Successful NAPS graduates receive an appointment to the USNA the following year. The applicant must state a willingness to attend NAPS on their application.

6. Submission of Applications: The deadline to apply for the Class of 2028 is 31 December 2023. The first step is for applicants to submit their preliminary application on-line at [HTTPS:\(slash\)\(slash\)WWW.USNA.EDU/ADMISSIONS](https://www.usna.edu/admissions) to become an official candidate. After selection as a candidate, a candidate number, username, and password will be assigned. The USNA operates on a rolling admissions process and it is encouraged that all applicants aim for early submission in order to increase competitiveness. All commands are strongly encouraged to increase awareness of this opportunity with all eligible candidates.

7. Deadline for all completed applications and recommendations is 31 January 2024. Packages completed before 31 January 2023 will be reviewed by the admissions board as soon as received. Packages received without the Marine's immediate commanding officer recommendation will not be reviewed. References (c), (d), and (e) provide guidance.

8. For application questions, write to: U.S. Naval Academy Candidate Guidance Office, Halsey Field House, 52 King George St, Annapolis, MD 21402-1318, ATTN: Fleet Liaison. Marines can also call the Fleet Liaison at 1-410-293-1839 /DSN 281-1839; or e-mail FLEET@USNA.EDU.

9. 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 the 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 physical and eye exams. The Service Member will be contacted by the Fleet Coordinator with information on how to get the physical and eye exams completed at their own

Military Treatment Facility as an alternative. Reference (c) provides medical standards.

10. Transfer Policy.

A. Orders may be declined if the applicant decides not to attend the USNA or NAPS. In the event of transfer to new duty station, all correspondence, including orders received by the applicant's original command, shall be forwarded to the new command. Marines who apply for nomination to the USNA are directed to ensure that the Fleet Officer, Candidate Guidance, USNA, Annapolis, MD 21402-5018, is informed of changes in unit address and phone number.

B. Active Duty: Once applicants are found physically qualified, transfer orders to the USNA or NAPS will be issued by the Commandant of the Marine Corps (MMEA). Commanding officers will ensure that personnel ordered to the USNA or NAPS are transferred with the obligated service required by reference (e).

C. Reserve Marines:

(1) The unit must ensure that the Marine will have two years remaining on their contract from 1 July of the year that the Reserve Marine enters the USNA. If the Marine does not have the required time remaining on contract, he/she must re-enlist for enough time to meet the requirement as per reference (e). This is done 30 days before receipt of orders to Marine Corps Barracks Washington, DC.

(2) The unit will issue PCS orders after contacting MARFORRES G-1 for school's funding information. Orders will direct the nominated Reservist to report to Marine Corps Barracks Washington DC one working day prior to USNA report date.

(3) Upon completion of travel by the Marine, Marine Barracks Washington will be responsible for coordinating with the originating unit to ensure the Marine's travel claim is paid properly. The travel claim will be processed by the originating unit. The Marine will then be transferred to the IRR with a RUC of 86974.

(4) Questions related to funding or the orders process may be addressed to MARFORRES G-1.

11. Additional information about the USNA is available on the Naval Academy website at WWW.USNA.EDU.

12. Additional information for enlisted applicants may be obtained on [HTTPS: \(slash\)\(slash\)WWW.USNA.EDU/ADMISSIONS/STEPS-FOR-ADMISSION/ACTIVE-DUTY-SERVICE-APPLICANTS.PHP](https://WWW.USNA.EDU/ADMISSIONS/STEPS-FOR-ADMISSION/ACTIVE-DUTY-SERVICE-APPLICANTS.PHP)

13. Reserve Applicability. This MARADMIN is not applicable to the Active Reserve.

14. Commanding Officers will ensure widest dissemination of this MARADMIN and are encouraged to identify motivated enlisted personnel who meet the criteria and may be good candidates for selection to the USNA.

15. This MARADMIN is cancelled 30 September 2024.

16. Release Authorized by MajGen William J. Bowers, CG MCRC.//