

ACTION MEMO

September 5, 2012

FOR : COMMANDANT OF MIDSHIPMEN, U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY

FROM: MIDN SGTMAJ Brynn Umbach, USN, Brigade Sergeant Major

SUBJECT: Increase in authorized size for 1/C refrigerators

REFERENCE: COMDTMIDNINST 5400.6P 6.3.3. (c) 6

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BLUF: Request to Change rule to read, "A 1/C Midshipman room may have: . . . one compact refrigerator, no larger than 34 inches tall, 20 inches wide, and 20 inches deep"

Background:

- The Midshipman Regulations Manual currently reads, "A 1/C Midshipman room may have: . . . one compact refrigerator, no larger than 27 inches tall, 20 inches wide, and 20 inches deep."
- Available compact refrigerators are either 25 to 27 inches high or 32 to 34 inches high.
- A majority of the compact refrigerators produced and currently circulating within the Brigade fall into the 32 to 34 inch height range. The refrigeration equipment on newer refrigerators is placed underneath the unit as opposed to on the back of the unit which contributes to the increased height.
- First class rooms have ample space to accommodate this slightly increased height of refrigerators.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Commandant approves 1/C refrigerators to be up to, but no larger than, 34 inches tall to accommodate for new technologies that make most current compact refrigerators 32 to 34 inches tall. It is recommended that the regulation is changed to: "A 1/C Midshipman room may have: . . . one compact refrigerator, no larger than 34 inches tall, 20 inches wide, and 20 inches deep."

Approve *BUM* Disapprove _____

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