

To All: Please disseminate to all PS rated personnel in your AOR. Thanks!



Port Security Specialist Force Notes

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Greetings members of the Port Security Rating. As your Rating Force Master Chief I want to thank you for your hard work as we weathered the lateral process.

December 31, 2009 the PS Rating will be disestablished after serving the Coast Guard for sixty Seven years. In May 1942 the first Port Security force was established during a time of war in Philadelphia, Pa. The PS rating was established June of 1942 as a temporary reserve force. By 1944 the force grew to 50,000 strong including the newly formed women's reserve force known as the TR Spars. This year the last members of the PS rating and PSS specialty will carry the tradition into the newly created Maritime Law Enforcement Specialist Rating and Maritime Law Enforcement and Security Specialist force specialty(MLES).

To see historical pictures of ratings associated with the PS rating open the attachment. Note: the diamond represents temporary or reserve.



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I remain for the next thirty six months to manage and track the progress of all PS members that lateraled to a legacy rating and Provisional members of the ME rating. I will also work with CG-131, PSC-rpm, MCPO-CGR, ME RFMC, FORCECOM & OPCOM to refine the appropriate size of the ME reserve workforce and location of billets. My title will change to PS Transition Rating force Master Chief.

A word for you from the ME RFMC, Gordon Muise

Greetings,

The attached letter is a message to you from MCPO Bowen, the Master Chief of the Coast Guard; MCPO Smith, the Master Chief of Coast Guard Reserve Forces; and myself. I have also attached the ME Guiding Principles. Please take the time to read both documents.

Have a happy and safe holiday!

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ME Guiding
Principles.pdf

A word for you from CMC-RF Darrell Odom (DOG)
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ME Laterals in PSU and DSF Community

First off, thanks to RFMC Tom McCook for the opportunity to input info via his Force Notes. And additional kudos on a fantastic job he has done thus far with keeping the field informed on the PS/ME Transition.

Now that the ME Selection Board has complete its work the dust has begun to settle, but our jobs are not done. I want to emphasize the degree of responsibility at all levels. Each unit certainly has the duty to strategically incorporate the needs of its members into its Unit Training Plan, while maintaining the training requirements to meet its overall mission. However, your individual success and advancement lies with you.

Considering the above, I'm seeking a goal with the MLE Academy to allow as long of a turn-around in the notification-of-enrollment for the Boarding Officer Practical Course (BOPC) as possible. I believe that a notification of enrollment 90 days prior to the scheduled course convening date would fit well within any unit's quarterly/yearly training plan. Additionally, this would certainly allow each reservist ample time for personal planning and adjustments.

Personnel must keep in mind the commitment to complete all prerequisites of the BOPC, mainly the completion of the on-line portion prior to attendance. Therefore, **DO NOT ENROLL IF YOU WILL NOT HAVE THIS REQUIREMENT COMPLETE PRIOR TO THE DATE OF COURSE CONVENING.**

Also, we need to get smart on the actual application process. Applications for enrollment should come straight to the MLE Academy via their web site <http://www.uscg.mil/mlea/courses/bopc.asp#apply> . I'm told by the MLE Academy that many reservists erroneously submit either a STTR or ETR direct to TQC, where it goes unnoticed, as TQC takes no action on them when received. This creates a great deal of delay in the enrollment and notification process.

Should you have questions concerning the above, please do not hesitate to contact me, or visit the MLE Academy Web site <http://www.uscg.mil/mlea/courses/bopc.asp#apply> .

Semper Paratus!

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Hot Item

December Focus: LATERAL PROCESS

I have recently e-mailed guidance to ME provisional and PS members lateraling to a legacy rating outlining guidance on the requirements to satisfy their lateral. Guidance will also be sent to the CO's and OIC's of these members. If you have lateral and not received an e-mail contact me. E-MAIL IS BEST

You should contact your Rating Force Master Chief and seek guidance specific to your pay grade in order to fulfill your lateral requirements, i.e. a specific nonresident course or C school. You can find your Rating Force Master Chief and your rating's force notes at: http://www.uscg.mil/comdt/mcpocg/rate-force_notes/

NOTE: EPQs are posted on the CG Learning Portal. <https://learning.uscg.mil/portal.asp> After logging in, enter the Course Catalog, click on Enlisted Advancements, and then EPQ Library. Your rating's EPQs will be listed with the other ratings.

Shipmates the following web address for the USCG Reserve page will link you to message traffic, direct access, and many useful links etc.

http://www.uscg.mil/reserve/member_resources.asp (Use small case).

Another ***Hot Item*** ADVANCEMENTS

Congratulations to PSCM J.N. Bryant, PSCS F.M. Pepin, PSC R.D. Black and PSC R.M. Diaz on their advancement effective December 01, 2009.

ADVANCEMENTS WILL COMMENCE AND ME A-SCHOOL ACCESSIONS WILL BE SELECTED AS SET FORTH BELOW. ME ADVANCEMENTS.

Note the requirement I highlighted below for advancement requirements for the 2012 SWE.

A. 2009 RESERVE ME ADVANCEMENTS:

(1) MEMBERS SELECTED TO LATERAL TO ME WHOSE NAMES ARE ON THE OCTOBER 2008 ADVANCEMENT ELIGIBILITY LIST OR A SUPPLEMENTAL LIST IN THEIR LEGACY RATINGS WILL CONTINUE TO ADVANCE IN THEIR LEGACY RATINGS, SHOULD VACANCIES OCCUR, THROUGH 01 DEC 09.

(2) SHOULD AN ADVANCEMENT ELIGIBILITY LIST FROM THE OCTOBER 2008 RSWE FOR A LEGACY RATING BE EXHAUSTED AND EARLY ADVANCEMENT AUTHORIZED FROM THE OCTOBER 2009 RSWE ADVANCEMENT ELIGIBILITY LIST, MEMBERS MAY ADVANCE FROM THOSE ELIGIBILITY LISTS, IN THOSE LEGACY RATINGS, SHOULD VACANCIES OCCUR, THROUGH 01 DEC 09.

B. 2010 RESERVE ME ADVANCEMENTS: 01JAN10-01DEC10 ADVANCEMENTS FOR E5 - E9 PERSONNEL: MEMBERS MAY CONTINUE TO COMPETE IN THEIR LEGACY RATING EXAMS FOR THE OCTOBER 2009 RSWE. THE ME LATERAL PANEL IS NOT EXPECTED TO ANNOUNCE ITS RESULTS UNTIL AFTER THE OCT 09 RSWE COMPETITION IS COMPLETE. UPON PUBLICATION OF THE ME LATERAL PANEL RESULTS, ALL MEMBERS SELECTED TO LATERAL TO ME WILL IMMEDIATELY BE REMOVED FROM THEIR LEGACY 2009 RSWE ADVANCEMENT ELIGIBILITY LIST AND MERGED ONTO AN "ME 2009 RSWE ELIGIBILITY LIST" BY PPC. THAT "ME 2009 RSWE ELIGIBILITY LIST" WILL BE EFFECTIVE FROM 01JAN10-16DEC10. PLACEMENT ON THE 2009 ME ADVANCEMENT ELIGIBILITY LIST WILL BE BASED ON THE FOLLOWING FACTORS, CALCULATED AS INDICATED IN REF B, PARAGRAPH 5.C.3.B: PERFORMANCE FACTOR, TIME IN SERVICE, TIME IN PAY GRADE, MEDALS AND AWARDS. SERVICEWIDE EXAMINATION SCORE WILL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE PLACEMENT CALCULATION.

C. 2011 RESERVE ME ADVANCEMENTS: MEMBERS INTENDING TO COMPETE FOR ADVANCEMENT IN THE 2010 OCT RSWE CYCLE MUST COMPLY WITH ALL REQUIREMENTS OF CHAP 5 OF REF B, EXCEPT THAT ME EOCTS FOR THE NEXT PAY GRADE ARE WAIVED.

D. 2012 AND BEYOND RESERVE ME ADVANCEMENTS: IN ADDITION TO THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN CHAP 5 OF REF B, ME MEMBERS COMPETING FOR ADVANCEMENT DURING THE OCTOBER 2011 RSWE MUST COMPLETE THE ME EOCT FOR THE NEXT HIGHER PAYGRADE. IN ADDITION TO THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN CHAP 5 OF REF B, **ME MEMBERS COMPETING FOR ADVANCEMENT DURING THE OCT 2012 RSWE AND BEYOND MUST NOT ONLY COMPLETE ME EPQS FOR THE NEXT HIGHER PAYGRADE, BUT ALSO ALL LOWER PAYGRADES.**

3. ME A-SCHOOL: THERE IS NO ME A-SCHOOL LIST FOR THE RESERVE COMPONENT. ME RATING A-SCHOOL QUOTAS ARE ACOMPLISHED THROUGH CG RECRUITING ACCESSIONS. THE FIRST CG ME A-SCHOOL IS CURRENTLY EXPECTED TO CONVENE 8 FEB 2010 AT MLEA CHARLESTON, SC.

4. POINTS OF CONTACT:

A. QUESTIONS REGARDING RESERVE ME ADVANCEMENTS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO MR. W. PATTERSON, CG PPC (ADV), 785-339-3401.

B. QUESTIONS REGARDING RESERVE ME ASSIGNMENTS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO CGPC-RPM-2, ARL-PF-CGPSC-RPM-QUERY(AT)USCG.MIL

C. QUESTIONS REGARDING THE ME RATING SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO LCDR C. BEAL, ME RATING IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT MGR, 202-372-3042 OR CLAYTON.R.BEAL(AT)USCG.MIL, MECM G. MUISE, ME RFMC, 202-372-3044 OR GORDON.J.MUISE(AT)USCG.MIL, OR PSCM T. MCCOOK, PS RFMC, 202-372-3044 OR THOMAS.W.MCCOOK (AT) USCG.MIL.

5. RADM R. T. HEWITT, ASSISTANT COMMANDANT FOR HUMAN RESOURCES, SENDS.

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MARITIME LAW ENFORCEMENT AND SECURITY SPECIALTY (MLES) APPOINTMENTS FOR 2010 AND BEYOND:

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SUBJ: MARITIME LAW ENFORCEMENT AND SECURITY SPECIALTY (MLES) APPOINTMENTS FOR 2010 AND BEYOND A. COMDT ALLHANDS E-MAIL 23 JUN 2008 B. PERSONNEL MANUAL, COMDTINST M1000.6 (SERIES) 1. THIS MESSAGE ESTABLISHES POLICY AND GUIDANCE FOR MARITIME LAW ENFORCEMENT AND SECURITY SPECIALTY (MLES) CWO APPOINTMENTS. REF A ANNOUNCED THE DECISION TO ESTABLISH THE ME RATING.

2. MLES APPOINTMENTS:

A. MLES ACTIVE DUTY APPOINTMENTS:

(1) 1JUN10-31MAY11 APPOINTMENTS: MEMBERS WHOSE NAMES APPEAR ON THE 2009 CWO ELIGIBILITY LIST SELECTED TO LATERAL TO MLES WILL BE REMOVED FROM THEIR LEGACY CWO SPECIALTY LISTS AND MERGED ONTO A NEW MLES ELIGIBILITY LIST ON 1JAN10. THEY WILL BE RANK ORDERED ON THE MLES LIST IN THE SAME PRECEDENCE AS WAS USED FOR THEIR LEGACY CWO SPECIALTY LIST.

(2) 1JUN11-31MAY12 APPOINTMENTS: MEMBERS SELECTED TO LATERAL TO ME WHO WISH TO COMPETE FOR APPOINTMENT TO MLES IN 2011 MUST PARTICIPATE IN THE 2010 CWO APPLICATION CYCLE PER REF B CHAP 1.D, WITH AMPLIFYING GUIDANCE TO BE PROVIDED BY CGPSC-OPM LATER THIS YEAR.

B. MLES RESERVE APPOINTMENTS:

(1) 1JUN10-31MAY11 RESERVE APPOINTMENTS: RESERVE MEMBERS SELECTED TO LATERAL TO ME WHO WISH TO COMPETE FOR RESERVE APPOINTMENT TO MLES IN 2010 MUST PARTICIPATE IN THE 2010 RESERVE CWO APPLICATION CYCLE PER CHAP 1.D OF REF B. AMPLIFYING GUIDANCE WILL BE PROVIDED BY CGPSC-RPM LATER THIS YEAR.

(2) 1JUN11-31MAY12 RESERVE APPOINTMENTS: MEMBERS WITHIN THE ME RATING WHO WISH TO COMPETE FOR RESERVE APPOINTMENT TO MLES IN 2011 MUST PARTICIPATE IN THE 2011 RESERVE CWO APPLICATION CYCLE PER CHAP 1.D OF REF B. AMPLIFYING GUIDANCE WILL BE PROVIDED BY CGPSC-RPM IN THE FALL OF 2010.

3. POINTS OF CONTACT

A. QUESTIONS REGARDING ACTIVE DUTY AND RESERVE CWO APPOINTMENTS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO CWO J. DIGNAN, CG PSC-OPM-1, 202-493-1613 OR CWO D. MEEK, CG PSC-RPM-1, 202-493-1708, RESPECTIVELY.

B. QUESTIONS REGARDING THE MLES SPECIALTY SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO LCDR C. BEAL, ME RATING IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT MGR, 202-372-3042 OR CLAYTON.R.BEAL (AT) USCG.MIL, OR MECM G.

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Remember Safety First, Look out for your Shipmates,
Do the right thing, and feel free to
call or email me anytime.

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