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SUBJ: POLICY REGARDING DUTY UNDER INSTRUCTION (DUINS): OBLIGATED  
SERVICE AND DELAYED ENROLLMENT

A. COAST GUARD ADVANCED EDUCATION PROGRAM, COMDTINST 1524.1  
(SERIES)

B. COMDT COGARD WASHINGTON DC 052252Z MAR 08/ALCOAST 119/08

C. TRAINING AND EDUCATION MANUAL COMDTINST M1500.10 (SERIES)

1. THIS MESSAGE IS INTENDED TO CLARIFY OBLIGATED SERVICE AND  
DELAYED ENROLLMENT FOR COAST GUARD ADVANCED EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND  
FLIGHT TRAINING UNTIL PROMULGATION OF THE REVISED TRAINING AND  
EDUCATION MANUAL.

2. FLIGHT TRAINING.

A. FLIGHT TRAINING CONSTITUTES DUTY UNDER INSTRUCTION. EACH  
OFFICER WHO COMMENCES FLIGHT TRAINING MUST OBLIGATE ADDITIONAL  
SERVICE ON ACTIVE DUTY. OFFICERS COMPLETING FLIGHT TRAINING INCUR  
A TOTAL OF EIGHT ADDITIONAL YEARS OF SERVICE FROM THE DATE OF  
COMPLETION OF FLIGHT TRAINING OR FROM DATE OF COMPLETION OF ALL  
OTHER OBLIGATED SERVICE, WHICHEVER IS LATER. SEE PARAGRAPHS B AND  
C FOR CLARIFICATION.

B. ACADEMY GRADUATES COMPLETING FLIGHT TRAINING HAVE EIGHT YEARS  
OF ADDITIONAL SERVICE OVER AND ABOVE THE INITIAL ACADEMY  
OBLIGATION. THE EIGHT-YEAR FLIGHT TRAINING OBLIGATION DOES NOT  
BEGIN UNTIL THE FIRST SERVICE OBLIGATION IS COMPLETED.

C. RESERVE AND TEMPORARY OFFICERS INCUR AN EIGHT-YEAR ACTIVE DUTY  
OBLIGATION UPON COMPLETION OF FLIGHT TRAINING, WHICH MUST BE SERVED  
IN ADDITION TO ANY APPLICABLE INITIAL CONTRACTUAL ACTIVE DUTY  
PERIOD. THE EIGHT-YEAR FLIGHT TRAINING OBLIGATION WILL NOT BEGIN  
UNTIL THE END OF THE INITIAL PERIOD OF OBLIGATION.

D. OFFICERS WHO COMMENCE, BUT DO NOT COMPLETE, FLIGHT TRAINING  
INCUR ONE ADDITIONAL MONTH OF OBLIGATED SERVICE FOR EACH MONTH IN  
WHICH THEY PARTICIPATE IN FLIGHT TRAINING. ACCEPTING FLIGHT  
TRAINING ORDERS TRIGGERS THE OBLIGATED SERVICE REQUIREMENTS. THE  
SELECTED OFFICER MUST SIGN THE APPROPRIATE OBLIGATED SERVICE  
STATEMENT PRIOR TO EXECUTING PCS ORDERS TO FLIGHT SCHOOL.

3. ADVANCED EDUCATION.

A. STUDENTS ATTENDING ANY FEDERALLY-FUNDED EDUCATION PROGRAM  
INCUR A DEBT OF SERVICE. THIS OBLIGATION BECOMES EFFECTIVE ON THE  
DATE OF TRANSFER OUT OF DUINS STATUS OR UPON THE TERMINATION OF  
PREVIOUS OBLIGATED SERVICE, WHICHEVER IS LATER. PERSONNEL WHO  
COMMENCE ANY FUNDED EDUCATION PROGRAM MUST AGREE NOT TO REQUEST  
RESIGNATION DURING THE COURSE OF INSTRUCTION AND MUST ACCEPT THE  
PERIOD OF OBLIGATED SERVICE.

B. MILITARY MEMBERS ARE OBLIGATED TO SERVE IN THE COAST GUARD  
THREE MONTHS FOR EACH MONTH OF INSTRUCTION FOR THE FIRST 12 MONTHS,  
AND ONE MONTH FOR EACH MONTH THEREAFTER. THIS PERIOD OF OBLIGATED  
SERVICE IS IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER OBLIGATED SERVICE THAT MAY HAVE  
BEEN INCURRED. OBLIGATED SERVICE BEGINS TO ACCRUE ON THE CLASS  
CONVENING DATE AND BECOMES EFFECTIVE ON THE DATE OF GRADUATION,  
PROGRAM COMPLETION, DISENROLLMENT, OR THE TERMINATION OF PREVIOUS  
OBLIGATED SERVICE, WHICHEVER IS LATER. ENLISTED PERSONNEL MUST  
EXECUTE AND EXTEND/REENLIST PRIOR TO BEING ISSUED ORDERS FOR DUTY  
UNDER INSTRUCTION (DUINS) TO MEET THE OBLIGATED SERVICE  
REQUIREMENTS.

4. ADVANCED EDUCATION DELAYED ENROLLMENT OR DEFERMENT. IN ORDER

TO AFFORD OFFICERS THE ABILITY TO PURSUE OTHER UNIQUE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES (SUCH AS A COMMAND CADRE POSITION AFLOAT) AND PROVIDE THE SERVICE GREATER DEPTH OF SKILLED PERSONNEL IN ESSENTIAL MISSION AREAS, REQUESTS TO DEFER ASSIGNMENT TO PG SCHOOL MAY BE CONSIDERED. ONLY OFFICERS SELECTED AS "PRIMARY" ATTENDEES WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR POSSIBLE DEFERMENT. OFFICERS REQUESTING DEFERMENT SHALL SUBMIT THEIR REQUEST VIA MEMO TO CG PC-OPM-1G. OFFICERS WHOSE PROGRAM HAS BEEN DEFERRED WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE ASSIGNED TO "DUTY UNDER INSTRUCTION" STATUS UPON COMPLETION OF THEIR ASSIGNMENT AS LONG AS THEIR PERFORMANCE CONTINUES TO WARRANT THIS OPPORTUNITY. OFFICERS GRANTED THE DEFERMENT SHALL COMPLETE THE ASSIGNMENT FOR WHICH THEIR PROGRAM WAS DEFERRED. OFFICERS SELECTED FOR A PG PROGRAM ARE NOTIFIED SOMETIME DURING THE MONTHS OF JUNE THROUGH SEPTEMBER AND HAVE 30 DAYS TO FILE A LETTER OF INTENT TO PURSUE THEIR ADVANCED EDUCATION DEGREE. THIS REQUIREMENT ENSURES PRIMARY ATTENDEES ARE GUARANTEED A TRAINING ALLOWANCE BILLET. AS THE ASSIGNMENT SEASON PROGRESSES THROUGH THE MONTHS OF NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER, PRIMARY ATTENDEES CAN OBTAIN CAREER COUNSELING FORM ASSIGNMENT OFFICERS OR CG PC-OPM-4 TO ASCERTAIN IF OTHER UNIQUE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE. ULTIMATELY, DELAYED ENROLLMENT OR DEFERMENT MUST BE APPROVED BY CG PC-OPM-1, IN CONCERT WITH THE PROGRAM MANAGER AND COMMANDANT (CG-132). DELAYED ENROLLMENTS ARE DISCOURAGED, BUT REQUESTS IN WELL-JUSTIFIED CASES WHERE SERVICE NEED, PROGRAM NEED, AND MEMBER CAREER DEVELOPMENT NEEDS ARE MET SHOULD BE SENT TO OPM-1, WHO WILL CONSULT WITH THE APPROPRIATE PROGRAM MANAGER AND CG-132 REGARDING APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL. DUINS GRADUATES ARE EXPECTED TO GO IMMEDIATELY TO PAYBACK STAFF ASSIGNMENTS. THESE PAYBACK ASSIGNMENTS ARE RARELY DEFERRED WITH REQUESTS BEING CONSIDERED ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS AND DECISIONS BASED SOLELY ON THE NEEDS OF THE SERVICE.

5. AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE OFFICER TRAINING.

A. OFFICERS COMPLETING THIS COURSE OF INSTRUCTION WILL INCUR A BLANKET THREE YEARS OF OBLIGATED SERVICE, IN ADDITION TO ANY PREVIOUS OBLIGATED SERVICE, REGARDLESS OF THE TIME SPENT IN TRAINING.

B. OFFICERS DISENROLLING PRIOR TO COMPLETION OF THIS TRAINING WILL INCUR ONE MONTH OF OBLIGATED SERVICE FOR EVERY MONTH OF TRAINING COMPLETED. OBLIGATED SERVICE BEGINS TO ACCRUE ON THE CLASS CONVENING DATE AND BECOMES EFFECTIVE ON THE DATE OF PROGRAM COMPLETION, DISENROLLMENT, OR THE TERMINATION OF PREVIOUS OBLIGATED SERVICE, WHICHEVER IS LATER.

6. THE ABOVE POLICY DOES NOT ADDRESS OR AFFECT OTHER TYPES OF OBLIGATED SERVICE (E.G. FOR EXECUTING PCS ORDERS, RETRACTING A SEPARATIONS REQUEST OR ACCEPTING TUITION ASSISTANCE) WHICH MAY RUN CONCURRENTLY WITH DUINS OBLIGATED SERVICE.

7. CG PC-OPM-1 POC IS CDR JIM ANDREWS AT (202) 493-1611 OR JAMES.E.ANDRES(AT)USCG.MIL. COMDT (CG-132) POC IS MR. JIM LIS AT (202) 475-5478 OR JAMES.F.LIS(AT)USCG.MIL.

8. CAPT D. J. MCCLELLAN, ACTING DIRECTOR OF RESERVE AND TRAINING SENDS.

9. INTERNET RELEASE AUTHORIZED.

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