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SUBJ: FY14 SPECIAL DUTY ASSIGNMENT PAY (SDAP)

A. COMDT COGARD WASHINGTON DC 071433Z MAR 13/ALCOAST 089/13

B. Coast Guard Helicopter Rescue Swimmer Manual, COMDTINST M3710.4 (Series)

C. Coast Guard Diving Policies and Procedures Manual, VOL 1, COMDTINST M3150.1 (Series)

D. Special Duty Assignment Pay (SDAP), COMDTINST 1430.1 (Series)

1. This ALCOAST announces SDAP Levels for FY14 as a result of the SDAP panel announced in REF A.

2. The panel consisted of CAPT Dwight Mathers (PSC-EPM), CDR John Kennedy COMDT (CG-833), CDR Timothy Hammond (FORCECOM), LCDR Charlotte Mundy COMDT (CG-821), LCDR John Codd COMDT (CG-131), CMC Steven Cantrell (LANTAREA), CMC Leilani Cale-Jones (PACAREA), CMC Terence Vanderwerf COMDT (CG-DCO), CMC Richard Hooker (DCMS), and, CMC Kevin Isherwood (PSC).

3. FY13 SDAP levels remain in effect until 30 Sep 13, at which time they will be cancelled. Effective 01 Oct 13, the following billets are authorized SDAP for FY14 at the levels indicated below:

BILLET	LEVEL
White House President Emergency Operations Center (PEOC)	SD-3
White House situation room team member	SD-2 to SD-4
Aviation precision marksman (aerial gunner)	SD-1
MSST and TACLET adv. interdiction boarding officer (BO)	SD-1
MSST deployable team leader	SD-1
Canine handler	SD-1
National Strike Force (NSF) response supervisor	SD-3
NSF response technician	SD-2
NSF response member	SD-1
MSRT tactical delivery coxswain	SD-1
MSRT advanced interdiction BO	SD-2
MSRT deployable team leader	SD-2
TACLET deployable team leader	SD-1
U.S. Defense Attache Office (USDAO) attache support staff	SD-3
CGIS enlisted special agent	SD-1
Officer in charge (afloat and ashore)	SD-5
Surfman	SD-4
Non-Compliant vessel (NCV) pursuit coxswain (ashore and cutters)	SD-2
NCV pursuit crewmember (ashore and cutter)	SD-1
NCV pursuit coxswain (Maritime Law Enforcement Academy (MLEA) instructors only)	SD-1
Tactical coxswain and NCV pursuit coxswain Special Missions Training Center (SMTTC) instructors	SD-1
D17 Aids to Navigation team	SD-2
Heavy weather coxswain	SD-1
Mobile Training Branch (MTB) deployable team leader	SD-1
MTB deployable team member	SD-1
Command Senior Enlisted Leader (CSEL)	
MCPOCG	SD-5
CMC: DCMS/DCO/LANT/PAC/CGRF-MC	SD-4
CMC: district/FORCECOM/DOL/PSC/JIATF/USCGA	SD-3
CMC: sector/base/CGRC/PATFORSWA/TRACEN	SD-2
CMC: ALC/MFPU/SMTTC/RFMC/SFLC/C4IT	SD-1
Helicopter rescue swimmer	SD-3
Aviation precision marksman/HITRON aviation gunners	SD-1
CG Recruiting Command (CGRC) recruiter	SD-2

First class diver (DV1)	SD-2
Independent Duty Food Services Officer (FSO) (PB with FS-17 competency)	SD-2
USCG Academy company chief	SD-1
High Risk Training (HRT) instructor (MLEA and SMTC)	SD-1
Honor guard petty officer/nonrate	SD-1
Recruit company commander	SD-5
Recruit section commander	SD-4
Recruit battalion commander	SD-3
Office of Program Managers Facility Security Forces (OPM-FSF)	SD-1

4. The monthly SDAP payments are as indicated below:

SD-1 - 75 dollars
SD-2 - 150 dollars
SD-3 - 225 dollars
SD-4 - 300 dollars
SD-5 - 375 dollars

5. SDAP commences on the date a member meets the following eligibility criteria:

A. White House PEOC: The PEOC member must be qualified as a PEOC

watch non-commissioned officer.

B. White House situation room team member: The Office of The Secretary of Defense designates the SDAP level (SD-2 to SD-4) for specific billet assignments based on the level of qualification or responsibility.

C. Deployable Specialized Forces (DSF)

(1) Aviation precision marksman (aerial gunner): Member must be fully certified as an aerial gunner/precision marksman.

(2) MSST and TACLET advanced interdiction BO: Member must be fully certified and serving as a BO.

(3) MSST deployable team leader: Member must be fully certified and serving as a designated team leader.

(4) Canine handler: Member must be a certified explosive detection canine handler. If the canine for the handler becomes decertified, then the SDAP stops for the handler until they are recertified.

(5) NSF: Member must be serving in an NSF response billet on the PAL, fulfill the appropriate qualifications for response supervisor, response technician, or response member. Certification must be designated in writing to the SPO by the commanding officer of the respective strike team.

(6) MSRT tactical delivery coxswain: Member must be certified.

(7) MSRT advanced interdiction BO: Member must be fully certified and serving as a BO.

(8) MSRT deployable team leader: Member must be fully certified and serving as a designated team leader.

(9) TACLET deployable team leader: Member must be fully certified and serving as a designated team leader.

D. USADO attache support staff: Member must be serving in a designated defense attache billet assigned within the Department of Defense Attache System (DAFAS).

E. CGIS enlisted special agent: Enlisted special agents must have completed basic training required for special agents, and be in an assignment under CG PSC directed orders or assigned to an RPAL billet specifically indicating investigation duty.

F. Officer in charge (OIC):

(1) OIC ashore: Member must meet the qualification requirements for being assigned as an OIC ashore and serving in a

billet designated as an OIC ashore billet on the PAL.

(2) OIC afloat: Member must meet the qualification requirements for being assigned as an OIC afloat and serving in a billet designated as a cutter OIC on the PAL.

(3) SDAP is authorized concurrently to a fully qualified acting OIC afloat or ashore, and the permanently assigned OIC in his/her absence for a period of at least 30 consecutive days, but not more than 90 days. After 90 days of absence, SDAP shall be terminated for the permanently assigned OIC, and the acting OIC will be the sole SDAP recipient for that billet until no longer serving as the acting OIC.

G. Surfman:

(1) Member must be serving in a surfman billet or stationed at a surf station and routinely serve in the unit rotational watch schedule as a certified operational surfman.

(2) For National Motor Lifeboat School personnel, Members must be certified surfman serving in a surfman instructor billet. Member is not required to qualify as an instructor before being eligible for SDAP, but should be progressing toward instructor qualifications in an operational surf training schedule.

(3) If a qualified surfman, in a surf billet, is transferred to another surf billet they must recertify and routinely serve in their new unit rotational watch schedule prior to receiving SDAP.

H. NCV pursuit

(1) Ashore: Member must be serving at a MLE-designated station and routinely serve in the unit rotational watch schedule as a certified NCV coxswain or boat crewmember.

(2) Cutter: Member must be a qualified NCV pursuit coxswain or boat crewmember, must routinely serve in the unit rotational watch schedule for NCV pursuit purposes, and SDAP is authorized only when the cutter is under the tactical control of D7, D8, D11 or JIATF South. SPO and cutter YNs need to pay particular attention to the start/stop dates of entitlement as this is a major source of administrative error and overpayment.

I. NCV pursuit coxswain (MLEA instructors only): Personnel must be assigned as an instructor at MLEA, qualified as an instructor, and certified as an NCV pursuit coxswain.

J. Tactical coxswain and NCV pursuit coxswain SMTC instructors: Personnel must be assigned as an instructor at SMTC or the MLEA, qualified as an instructor and certified as either a tactical coxswain or NCV pursuit coxswain. If a member is certified as both a tactical and NCV pursuit coxswain, they only qualify for SDAP for the first certification they obtained.

K. D17 Aids to Navigation team: Member is authorized SDAP upon reporting for duty in an eligible billet on the PAL.

L. Heavy weather coxswain: Coxswains must be serving at a heavy weather or surf station and routinely serve in the unit rotational watch schedule as a certified operational heavy weather coxswain.

M. MTB:

(1) Deployable team leader: Must be serving in a designated MTB Team Leader billet with current command approved qualifications and must deploy at least 175 days per year.

(2) Deployable team member: Must be serving in a designated MTB Team Member billet with current command approved qualifications and must deploy at least 175 days per year.

N. CSEL: Member must be serving in the designated billet specified in Paragraph 3 above.

O. Helicopter rescue swimmer: Must be assigned to an operational rescue swimmer billet, fulfill all appropriate operational and physical training requirements set forth in REF B, and be designated rescue swimmer on the watch schedule, or have been deployed TDY in a rescue swimmer capacity for at least 14 days during the month (any comparable combination of duty and deployment days will suffice). Members of the rescue swimmer standardization team and other rescue swimmers at ATC Mobile who are assigned to operational rescue swimmer billets are included. The unit commanding officer must certify in writing that the member meets all eligibility requirements for entitlement.

P. Aviation precision marksman/HITRON aviation gunner: Must be fully certified as an aviation gunner in a deployable billet. Certification must be designated in writing by the commanding officer.

Q. CGRC recruiter: Member must be serving in a recruiter billet, have completed recruiter training school, and be fully certified. CGRC staff members are not authorized SDAP.

R. DV1: Member must be serving in a dive billet, be certified as a command dive supervisor, and maintain dive certified in accordance with REF C.

S. Independent duty FSO: Member is authorized SDAP upon reporting for duty in an eligible billet on a PB. The member must acquire the FS-17 competency code within one year of their reporting date. If the member does not acquire the FS-17 competency code within one year of their reporting date, SDAP will be suspended until the FS-17 competency code is authorized by the FS rating force master chief.

T. USCG Academy company chief: Member is authorized SDAP the day the member reports for duty to an eligible billet. The OCS company chief position is ineligible for SDAP.

U. HRT instructor: Member must be assigned in an HRT instructor billet at SMTC or the MLEA and complete and maintain instructor certification.

V. Honor guard petty officer and nonrates: Member is authorized SDAP upon certification as an honor guard member.

W. Recruit company commander, section commander, and battalion commander: Member must serve in a billet designated as a CC on the PAL, or be temporarily assigned to a surge CC billet for at least 30 consecutive days, satisfactorily complete the in-house training program at TRACEN Cape May, and be designated by the commanding officer.

X. OPM-FSF: Members assigned to advisor positions in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia OPM-FSF.

6. Reservists performing any type of duty, including active duty for training (ADT), Inactive Duty Training (IDT), Active Duty Operational Support (ADOS), and Involuntary Recall, are entitled to SDAP on a prorated basis. Member must meet the eligibility requirements listed above.

7. SDAP eligibility terminates at 0000 the day before the member departs PCS from a designated billet, the date the member is removed from duty by competent authority (e.g., relief for cause), or once the member is no longer qualified (e.g., does not complete four watches during a month as a Rescue Swimmer or deployed TDY for 14 days as a Rescue Swimmer or any combination of both during the month, does not meet or is not expected to meet the 175 days deployment,

TDY, etc.). Additionally, SDAP terminates the day a member departs a unit with no expectation of return prior to separation or retirement (e.g., leave or permissive orders).

8. The FY15 SDAP panel (to determine FY15 SDAP authorizations) will convene in May 2014. Additional info will be announced in a separate ALCOAST message.

9. COs shall notify their SPOs of member SDAP eligibility including certifying the documentation for reservist ADT or ADOS orders. SPOs shall submit the proper Direct Access input to commence/terminate SDAP payment as appropriate.

10. REF D outlines SDAP policy. Questions about SDAP eligibility should be directed to the appropriate HQ program manager. For questions regarding SDAP policy, contact LTJG Feeney, COMDT (CG-1221) at (202)475-5375.

11. RADM Steven E. Day, Director of Reserve and Military Personnel, sends.

12. Internet release authorized.