

## MILPERSMAN 1220-080

### ENLISTED DIVING WARFARE SPECIALIST (DWS) DESIGNATION

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<b>References</b>	(a) OPNAVINST 1414.9C (b) COMNECCPACINST 1414.3E (c) NAVPERS 15665J U.S. Navy Uniform Regulations
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1. **Policy.** Enlisted Navy divers (ND) and hospital corpsman (HM) who hold Navy enlisted classifications (NEC) M2DV (second class diver), M1DV (first class diver), L27A (medical deep sea diving technician), or L28A (deep sea diving independent duty corpsman) must obtain the enlisted diving warfare specialist (DWS) qualification as outlined in references (a) and (b).

2. **Updating the Service Record.** When a member has been qualified as a DWS, an entry must be made in the member's service record on [NAVPERS 1070/613](#) Administrative Remarks as follows:

"(Date) Qualified as an enlisted diving warfare specialist (DWS) this date and assigned the DWS designator."

3. **Updating the Evaluation.** Once qualification has been approved, relevant comments will be made in the member's next evaluation.

4. **Authority to Wear the Insignia.** Achievement of qualification entitles the member to wear the DWS insignia per

reference (c) and to use the DWS designation. The DWS designation is indicated and annotated with "DWS" placed in parentheses immediately after the member's rating abbreviation, (e.g., ND2(DWS)).

a. Members whose NEC(s) are removed for disciplinary and or administrative action per [MILPERSMAN 1220-100](#) are no longer authorized to wear the insignia.

b. Members who voluntarily remove their NEC will not be authorized to wear the insignia.

c. Members whose NEC is involuntarily removed as a result of a permanent physical disqualification are authorized to wear the insignia if recommended by their commanding officer (CO) and approved by the Bureau of Naval Personnel Navy Diver Enlisted Community Manager (BUPERS-329).

5. **Disqualification.** An enlisted member previously qualified must be disqualified by an appropriate qualifying officer if the member fails to continue to meet the requirements set forth in references (a) and (b). Formal notification of disqualification must be recorded in the member's service record on [NAVPERS 1070/613](#) as follows:

"(Date) Failed to maintain qualification as enlisted diving warfare specialist (DWS) by (include specifics for disqualification). Member has been informed that, as of this date, he/she is disqualified and is no longer authorized to wear the DWS insignia or use the DWS designator as part of his/her rating."

Once notified of their disqualification, members must have the appropriate comments entered in the next periodic evaluation.