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## Fleet Visits & Upcoming Events

OPNAV N133 & PERS-403 Detailer Waterfront Visits  
**8-12 Jan – NPTU Charleston**  
**22-26 Jan – NPTU Ballston Spa**  
**12-16 Feb – NPTU Charleston**  
**19-23 Feb – Kings Bay, GA**  
**4-8 Mar – Bangor/Bremerton, WA**

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## STAR reenlistment during NPTU graduation

\*\*\* Sailors at NPTU now have the ability to STAR reenlist at 21 months and transfer to their first sea command as an E5.\*\*\*

\*\*This avoids the administrative burden of requesting to STAR while trying to acclimate to a new command and qualify.\*\*  
This also permits Sailors to report in receipt of E-5 BAH and maintain E-5 BAH.

**\*\* SRB Zone A STAR reenlistment only obligates a Sailor to Shore Duty \*\***

**\* SRB Zone B reenlistment obligates a Sailor to Shore Duty and NOT back to sea duty \***

Remember, execution of a Zone A (STAR) reenlistment at 3 years instead of 2 years of service, costs the Sailor between \$17,421 to \$8,615 (multiple depending) in total loss SRB Zone A and B compensation. Using extensions to meet OBLISERV for Shore Duty orders costs up to \$60,000 in Sailor compensation.

**From the SRB Desk:** Prior planning is important in scheduling a Sailor's reenlistment. SRBs should be submitted 120-35 days in advance of the reenlistment date and STAR requests should be submitted 60 days in advance. Exceptions to this policy can be approved by BUPERS-328 on an individual basis. BUPERS-328 can be contacted at mill\_incen\_pays.fct@navy.mil or at 901-874-3215 for SRBs and 901-874-3260 for the STAR program."

*If circumstances prevent submission 35 days out, do not give up, and we will help. Contact BUPERS-328 and/or N133 for help.*

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## Nuclear Fleet Advisors

- PERS-403 has established a cadre of Nuclear Fleet Advisors (NFAs) to provide additional career, compensation, and detailing advice to nuclear trained Sailors regardless of command or duty assignment.
- Nuclear Field Advisors work in concert with the Nuclear Career Counselor assigned to OPNAV N133
- Nuclear Fleet Advisors are available to perform a host of services on behalf of nuclear trained Sailors. These include:
  - Discussing all aspects of a nuclear Sailor's careers, including career advice, SRBs, and detailing
  - Assist Command Career Counselors with understanding opportunities specifically designed for nuclear operators
  - Contacting Sailors with callbacks within 6 months of reporting to their new command for feedback on transfer process
  - Provide career advice concerning nuclear programs

**Don't hesitate to ask a Nuclear Field Advisor for assistance**

**- or -**

**Don't hold back on asking questions during their next call to you or your Sailors.**

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## NUPOC (Naval Nuclear Propulsion Officer Candidate) Program

- The NUPOC program is for eligible college graduates, including Sailors, possessing a bachelor's degree that meets certain technical course completion (transcript/degree plan review required). This program is independent and separate from OCS.

**Nuclear trained Sailors with bachelor's degrees are eligible for NUPOC.**

- NUPOC program leads to an appointment on active duty as an Ensign in the unrestricted line of the Navy.
- If accepted by the Director, Naval Reactors, Sailors will attend OCS (within as early as three months) and receive a commission as an Ensign for future service in the submarine or nuclear surface communities. Contact N133 to learn more!

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## **Command Prevention of Sailor Indebtedness & Recoupments**

- 10 Sailors (from 13 Jul 23 to 15 Nov 23) incurred a SRB debt due to receiving an SRB installment that would have otherwise been held if the a NAVPERS Form 1221 to assign a special category NEC occurred in a timely manner.
- 6 of the 10 incurred debts are associated with OPNAV N133's receipt of NAVPERS Form 1221 in excess of three months from the respective effective NEC change date on the NAVPERS Form 1221.

**When a special category NEC (N59X/N89X) is delayed, a Sailor continues to receive their SRB installment even if no longer entitled. The Sailor risks a large recoupment, if their NEC is not restored.**

- As an example, Sailor STAR reenlist 4 Jul 22. Sailor warrants assignment of N59X on 1 Jun 23, but the command delays submitting NAVPERS 1221/6 hoping situation would resolve. Command eventually submits a NEC change request on 8 Aug 23 with an effective date of 1 Jun 23. Unfortunately, the Sailor received a bonus installment on 4 Jul 23 of \$5,617 plus SDAP resulting in a possible recoupment of over \$6,000.
- Please reach out to [bullnuke@navy.mil](mailto:bullnuke@navy.mil) if you have any questions about hold NECs and recoupments.

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## **Honor Your Shore Tour PRD**

PERS-403 will not involuntarily transfer Zone B and Enlisted Supervisor Retention Pay (ESRP) Zone 1 Sailors (E-6 and below) prior to their first shore tour (SHORE-1) PRD to their second sea tour (SEA-2). PERS-403 is still authorized to transfer Sailors prior to their PRD for those who volunteer to rotate early from SHORE-1 to SEA-2.

*The memo is available to be downloaded on the MyNavy HR Nuclear ECM webpage.*

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## **Propulsion Plant Local Area Network (PPLAN) Update**

- The first cohorts of ETN(SW) Sailors have reported to their CVNs following graduation from Reactor Network Training Course (RNTC) delivered by Bechtel Plant Machinery, Inc (BPMI).
- Sailors graduating from RNTC are awarded the N71 NEC, allowing them administrator access to the PPLAN.
- RNTC is three weeks in duration and consists of a Reactor Network Training Lab used to facilitate scenario-based training within a high-fidelity Reactor Network environment, providing Sailors with the knowledge and tactile skills necessary to successfully perform as a Reactor Networks Administrator.
- Additionally, Sailors are no longer required to qualify senior in rate prior to earning the PPLAN administrator NEC N71Z per (NAVADMIN 245/22) released on 27 Nov 22.

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## **Do NOT detach from Sea Duty on an extension. USE a Page 13 in lieu of OBLISERVE**

- Circumstances such as potential monetary loss under critical skills bonus or SRB, refer to MILPERSMAN 1306-106. Para 4.
- Use of NAVPERS 1070/613 only authorized for SRB eligible Sailors use of NAVPERS 1070/613 for periods of more than 12 months requires NAVPERSCOM (BUPERS-328) authorization.
- Local Command can approve the use of a NAVPERS 1370/613 when OBLISERV requirements are 12 months or less.
- If OBLISERV requirements are greater than 12 months, CCC must submit ePAR 1306 request to MNCC for approval from BUPERS-328.
- Communication with your detailer is crucial to ensure no monetary loss due to transfer and OBLISERV requirements.

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## **Waterfront and Regional CCC Training**

- Are you sending your Submarine or Reactor Department CCCs to off hull training?
- Do you know when your CCCs are required to attend training?
- Do you know where periodic CCC training is being held?
- If you answered "No" to any of these questions, please contact your ISIC CCC or your Regional Navy Career Counselor to get the latest CCC training for your command and region.
- Sending your CCC to monthly trainings is important to maintaining their level of knowledge up to date on the latest policy and program changes to best serve our Sailors.



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