



Robotics (RW) Enlisted Career Path

| <p>Robotics (RW) belongs to a diverse community that is highly specialized to the platform they are assigned. RW Sailors maintain, operate, and manage various systems and programs in support of Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW), Anti-Surface Warfare (ASUW), Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (ISR), Precision Strike (PS), Electronic Warfare (EW), Mine Warfare (MIW), Sub-Sea Seabed Warfare (SSW), Technical Operations (TECH OPS), Unmanned Aircraft (UAV), Unmanned Surface (USV), Unmanned Undersea (UUV), Unmanned Ground (UGV), Manned and Unmanned Teaming (MUMT), Special Communications (SC), Artificial Intelligence (AI), and Machine Learning (ML). They may be assigned to any warfare community as system technicians, platform operators, instructors, evaluators, quality assurance, maintenance supervisors, mission commanders, and as integrators of hardware and software to enable mission success through employment of advanced technology.</p> | | | | | |
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| YEARS OF SERVICE | CAREER MILESTONES | AVERAGE TIME TO ADVANCE | COMMISSIONING OR OTHER SPECIAL PROGRAMS | SEA/ SHORE FLOW | TYPICAL CAREER PATH DEVELOPMENT |
| 26-30 | RWCM | 22.0 Yrs | CSEL | 36/36 | ECH I, II & III Advisor/Program Manager, Follow on Shore/Sea Tours |
| 23-26 | RWCM RWCS | 22.0 Yrs 18.0 | CSEL, CWO, Detailer, ECM, TECHAD, Placement | 36 | 4 th Sea Tour Billet: RW Manager Duty: NSWDG, NSW TACDEVRON, NSW SRT 1 & 2, NSW Group, EOD Group, VUP, EOD Mobile Unit, USVRON |
| 20-23 | RWCS RWC | 18.0 Yrs 14.3 | CWO, CSEL, Detailer, ECM, Placement, Brig Duty, Naval Academy Company Advisor | 36 | 3 rd Shore Tour Billet: RW Specialist/Manager Duty: ECH I & II Program Manager, NSWC, SURFDEVRON, NSW Group, NECC, EOD Group, NETC, BUPERS, NAVMAC, Naval Post-Graduate School, SERE Instructor, NSW ATC Instructor, Test & Evaluation Squadron |
| 17-20 | RWCS RWC RW1 | 18.0 Yrs 14.3 8.8 | MECP, OCS, LDO, CWO, CSEL, RDC, Detailer, ECM, Placement | 36 | 3 rd Sea Tour Billet: RW Specialist/Manager, Safety Technician Duty: NSWDG, NSW TACDEVRON, NSW SRT 1 & 2, NSW SDVT 1 & 2, VUP, EOD Mobile Unit, USVRON |
| 14-17 | RW1 | 8.8 Yrs | | 36 | 2 nd Shore Tour Billet: RW Specialist Duty: ECH II & III Program Manager, NSWC, SURFDEVRON, NSW Group, NECC, EOD Group, NETC, BUPERS, NAVMAC, Naval Post-Graduate School, SERE Instructor, NSW ATC Instructor, Test & Evaluation Squadron |
| 9-14 | RW1 RW2 | 8.8 Yrs 4.0 | MECP, STA-21, Naval Academy, NROTC, LDO, RDC, Recruiter, Detailer, Instructor Duty | 54 | 2 nd Sea Tour Billet: RW Specialist Duty: NSWDG, NSW TACDEVRON, NSW SRT 1 & 2, NSW SDVT 1 & 2, VUP, EOD Mobile Unit Qualifications: NSW Combat Service Support, NSW Combat Support, 3M, UOC Watch Supervisor |



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| 6-9 | RW2 RW3 | 4.0 Yrs 1.8 | MECP, STA-21, Naval Academy, NROTC, LDO, RDC, Recruiter, Detailer, Honor Guard, Brig Duty | 36 | 1 st Shore Tour Billet: RW Specialist Duty: RW A-school, RW C-school Qualification: Master Training Specialists |
| 1-6 | RW3 | 1.8 Yrs | MECP, STA-21, Naval Academy, NROTC, USS CONSTITUTION | 48 | 1 st Sea Tour Billet: RW Specialist Duty: USVRON, VUP, EOD Mobile Unit Qualification: Operator/Maintainer, 3M |
| 1+/- | RWSN RWSA Accession Training | 9 Months | | | Recruit Training, "A" School and "C" School |

Notes:

1. This is a sea duty intensive rating. Personnel with continuous tours at sea may not achieve career enhancing shore qualifications. This should not detract from career progression if the individual has documented successful performance on sea duty.

2. Due to specialized command or platform training and experience, personnel may retour or have multiple extensions within a UIC. This should not detract from career progression if the individual has documented successful performance. Extended or repeat tours are indicative of high performance and sustained superior performance.

3. Specific to EOD Units.

- EOD Mobile Units are a Direct Support Rating assigned individual small units of actions. It is required that candidates assigned to EOD Units, who are being considered for advancement to have served or be serving an operational tour (Type 2, 4 or 6 Sea Duty) in a leadership role (LPO/LCPO) at an EOD Command to be considered Fully Qualified.
- EOD Expeditionary Support Units perform Intermediate Level Maintenance on Unmanned Systems and do not earn the normal qualifications available at an EOD Mobile Unit.
- EOD Training and Evaluation Units provide tactical level training in support of force generation and serve as instructors to the EOD Mobile Units.

4. The below tables list the applicable RW Career Leadership Milestone positions within these specific commands. These milestones require a minimum time in position and when denoted in an Evaluation indicate the member has completed appropriate Professional Military Education (PME) requirements and meets best and fully qualified criteria for the next paygrade within their community or specialization.

- A Memorandum for the Record (MFR) on command letterhead, signed by the CO to the service member, validates LPO/LCPO milestone completion during a time frame that is not annotated in a regular report or under a legacy billet title. Selection Board eligible members can include a copy of the MFR in their Letter to the Board package.
- Consideration **SHOULD** be given to post milestone E8s at NSWDG/TACDEVRON that successfully complete an operational CSEL or LNO deployment to a JTF as these roles require and demonstrate superior leadership beyond the normal scope of a SCPO.



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| NSWVG/SRT/ATC/TRADDET | |
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| RANK | BLOCK 29 TITLE |
| E6 | UXS SITE LPO |
| E6 | UXS SITE LPO |
| E6 | DET/DIV LPO |
| E6 | DEPT LPO |
| E7 | UXS SITE LCPO |
| E7 | TRAINING MANAGER |
| E7 | DET/DIV LCPO |
| E7 | DEPT SEA |
| E8 | CMD SEA |
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| USVRON | |
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| RANK | BLOCK 29 Title |
| E6 | DET LPO |
| E6 | DIV LPO |
| E6 | DEPT LPO |
| E7 | DET SEA |
| E7 | DIV LCPO |
| E7 | DEPT LCPO |
| E8 | CMD SEL |
| E8 | DET LCPO |
| E8 | DEPT LCPO |
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| EODMU/MDSU | |
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| RANK | BLOCK 29 TITLE |
| E6 | LPO |
| E7 | PLT LCPO |
| E7 | ELEMENT LCPO |
| E8 | Co LCPO |
| E8 | DEPT LCPO |
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| NSWDG/TACDEVRON | |
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| RANK | BLOCK 29 TITLE |
| E6 | DET LPO |
| E6 | DIV LPO |
| E6 | DEPT LPO |
| E7 | DET LCPO |
| E7 | DIV LCPO |
| E7 | TRNG LCPO |
| E7 | CUOPS LCPO |
| E8 | CIT LCPO |
| E8 | OPS LCPO |
| E8 | TEAM LCPO |
| E8 | DEPT LCPO |

| VUP/UX | |
|--------|----------------|
| RANK | BLOCK 29 TITLE |
| E6 | DET LPO |
| E6 | DIV LPO |
| E6 | DEPT LPO |
| E7 | DET LCPO |
| E7 | DIV LCPO |
| E7 | MAINT CPO |
| E7 | LINE LCPO |
| E8 | MAINT SUP |
| E8 | QAS |
| E8 | DEPT LCPO |
| E8 | CSEL |



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Considerations for determining “best qualified” for advancement from E6 to E7

1. Sea Assignments

- a. **MUST** successfully complete a minimum of **12 months** in a leadership milestone position (Para 4 above). The time between the evaluation end date and the date of the promotion board should be added to the calculation for time successfully served in the milestone position.
 - USVRON must hold **Unmanned Operations Center (UOC) Watch Supervisor**
 - EOD Mobile Units must hold **MK-18 UUV Supervisor Qualification**
- b. **MUST** hold primary enlisted warfare qualification for the community/platform member is currently assigned.
- c. **SHOULD** have a minimum of two core qualifications and at least two advanced qualifications. Members should have Letters of Designation where appropriate entered into NSIPS.
- d. **SHOULD** have completed one operational deployment for the community/platform member is currently assigned.
- e. E6s on board NSWDC/TACDEVRON/SRT for less than 15 months **SHOULD** be given due consideration based on previous documented performance within their prior community/platform as NSWDC recruits best and fully qualified candidates from across the Fleet.

2. Shore Assignments

- a. **MUST** successfully complete a minimum of **12 months** in a leadership milestone position (Para 4 above). The time between the evaluation end date and the date of the promotion board should be added to the calculation for time successfully served in the milestone position.
- b. **SHOULD** have documented impact for a minimum of 12 months with command collaterals, FCPOA, or Sailor 360.
- c. **SHOULD** have a minimum of two core qualifications and at least two advanced qualifications. Members should have Letters of Designation where appropriate entered into NSIPS.
- d. Members assigned to initial accession duty, instructor duty, or NPC **SHOULD** be considered career enhancing.

Considerations for determining “best qualified” for advancement from E7 to E8

1. Sea Assignments

- a. **MUST** successfully complete a minimum of **12 months** in a leadership milestone position (Para 4 above). The time between the evaluation end date and the date of the promotion board should be added to the calculation for time successfully served in the milestone position.
 - NSWDC/TACDEVRON must complete **16 months** and hold both **785I/837A NECs**
 - SRT must be a qualified **Mission Commander**
 - USVRON must be a qualified **UOC Watch Officer**
 - EOD Mobile Units must complete **24 months** and hold **757B NEC**
- b. **MUST** hold primary enlisted warfare qualification for the community/platform member is currently assigned.
- c. **SHOULD** have a minimum of three core qualifications and at least two advanced qualifications. Members should have Letters of Designation where appropriate entered into NSIPS.
- d. **SHOULD** have completed one operational deployment for the community/platform member is currently assigned.
- e. **SHOULD** have documented impact contributing to rating/community enhancement as Selection Board Recorder, AERR, OCCSTDS, JDTA, Working Group, or Symposium member.

2. Shore Assignments

- a. **MUST** successfully complete a minimum of **12 months** in a leadership milestone position (Para 4 above). The time between the evaluation end date and the date of the promotion board should be added to the calculation for time successfully served in the milestone position.
- b. **SHOULD** have documented impact for a minimum of 12 months with command collaterals, CPOA, CPO Initiation Season, or Sailor 360.
- c. **SHOULD** have a minimum of three core qualifications and at least two advanced qualifications. Members should have Letters of Designation where appropriate entered into NSIPS.



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- d. Members assigned to initial accession duty or instructor duty **SHOULD** be considered career enhancing.

Considerations for determining “best qualified” for advancement from E8 to E9

1. Sea Assignments

- a. **MUST** successfully complete a minimum of **12 months** in a leadership milestone position (Para 4 above). The time between the evaluation end date and the date of the promotion board should be added to the calculation for time successfully served in the milestone position.
- NSWDG/TACDEVRON must complete **16 months** and hold both **785I/837A NECs**
 - SRT must be a qualified **Mission Commander**
 - USVRON must be a qualified **UOC Watch Officer**
 - EOD Mobile Units must complete **24 months** hold **757B NEC**
- b. **MUST** hold primary enlisted warfare qualification for the community/platform member is currently assigned.
- c. **SHOULD** have a minimum of three core qualifications and at least three advanced qualifications. Members should have Letters of Designation where appropriate entered into NSIPS.
- d. **SHOULD** have completed one operational deployment for the community/platform member is currently assigned.
- e. **SHOULD** have documented impact contributing to rating/community enhancement as Selection Board Recorder, AERR, OCCSTDS, JDTA, Working Group, or Symposium member.

2. Shore Assignments

- a. **MUST** successfully complete a minimum of **12 months** in a leadership milestone position (Para 4 above). The time between the evaluation end date and the date of the promotion board should be added to the calculation for time successfully served in the milestone position.
- b. **SHOULD** have documented impact for a minimum of 12 months with command collaterals, CPOA, CPO Initiation Season, or Sailor 360.
- c. **SHOULD** have a minimum of three core qualifications and at least three advanced qualifications. Members should have Letters of Designation where appropriate entered into NSIPS.
- d. Members assigned to initial accession duty, instructor duty, NPC, acquisitions, or program management **SHOULD** be considered career enhancing.

Qualifications

| Core Qualifications | |
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| Long Title | Abbreviated Title or NEC |
| NSW Combat Service Support | 854A |
| Collateral Duty Inspector | CDI |
| Quality Assurance Representative | QAR |
| NSW UAS Operator | 838A |
| UAV Payload Operator | 702A |
| MQ-4C Maintenance Technician | 757C |
| UUV Operator | 789A |
| MK18 Operator & Maintainer | 799B |
| Expeditionary UxS Maintenance | 825G |
| Expeditionary UxS Operator | 826G |

| Advanced Qualifications | |
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| Long Title | Abbreviated Title or NEC |
| NSW Combat Support | 837A |
| SOF ATSO | 785I |
| Helicopter Rope Suspension Technique/Cast Master | HRSTC-M |
| ExUUV Supervisor | 757B |
| MQ-4C Mission Payload Operator | 757E |
| MQ-4C Mission Control System Administrator | 757G |
| NSW TSO | 704C |
| Safe For Flight | SFF |
| Mini/Micromin Repair Inspector | 772B |
| DZ Safety Swimmer | DZSW |



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| Core Qualifications Continued | |
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| Long Title | Abbreviated Title or NEC |
| Aviation EW Operator | 723A |
| Journeyman Communications | 723B |
| TSCOMM Maintenance Technician | 723C |
| COMSEC Maintenance Technician | 728A |
| Micromin. Electronic Repair Technician | 783A |
| Miniture Electronic Repair Technician | 784A |
| TacMobile Systems Operator | 795A |
| TacMobile Acoustic Maint. Technician | 795C |
| TacMobile Maint. System Technician | 795D |
| Instructor | 805A |
| Joint Fires Observer | JFO |
| JTAC | 822A |
| NSW COMM Tech | 794A |
| 3-M Technician | 3M |
| Range Safety Officer | RSO |
| Security+ | SECP |
| Plane Captain | PC |
| Coxswain | CXW |
| 2 nd Class Swimmer | 2 nd Class Swim |
| MK-20 Video Ray Operator | MK-20-O |
| Basic Roper | BR |
| Helicopter Rope Suspension Technique/Cast | HRSTC |
| Post Mission Analysis | PMA |
| UOC Common Control Station | UOC-CCS |
| CompTIA Advanced Security Practitioner | CASP |
| Collateral Quality Assurance Rep | CDQAR |
| MK-18 UUV Supervisor Qualification | MK-18-S |
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| Advanced Qualifications Continued | |
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| Long Title | Abbreviated Title or NEC |
| Evaluator | EVAL |
| Mission Commander | MC |
| Master Training Specialist | 8MTS |
| JTAC-I | 823A |
| JTAC-E | 836A |
| Static Line Parachutist | PJ |
| Military Freefall Parachutist | FPJ |
| TacMobile Watch Officer | 795B |
| SOF SCAR-O | 785E |
| SOF SCAR-A | 785F |
| SOF Sensitive Activity Support | 822B |
| 3-M Coordinator | 811A |
| Range Officer in Charge | ROIC |
| Certificate Cloud Security Professional | CCSP |
| Certified Information Systems Security Professional | CISSP |
| MK-20 Video Ray Maintenance | MK-20-M |
| Special Communications Technician | SC |
| Command Training Team | CTT |
| UOC Watch Supervisor | UOC-S |
| Command Training Team | CTT |
| Small Craft POIC | SC-POIC |
| UOC Watch Officer | UOC-O |
| Ground Maint. Vehicle Operator | GMVO |
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*NEC 757B is only awarded to personnel serving at EOD Mobile Units . It shall not be awarded to those assigned to Non-EOD Commands.