



**AG CAREER PATH
SELECTED RESERVE (SELRES)**



Aerographer's Mates (AG) are the Navy's Meteorological and Oceanographic (METOC) experts, trained in the science of meteorology and physical oceanography. AGs forecast meteorological and oceanographic conditions and prepare and present briefings concerning environmental impacts and effects on combat operations.					
YEARS OF SERVICE	CAREER MILESTONES	AVERAGE TIME TO PROMOTE	COMMISSIONING OR OTHER SPECIAL PROGRAMS	SEA/SHORE FLOW	TYPICAL CAREER PATH DEVELOPMENT
24-30	AGCM	23 Yrs	CMDCM	N/A	CNIFR HQ/Region Staff, Major Command or COCOM Billet: HQ CMDCM, CNIFR Region SEL/Staff Qualification: NEC 8CMC, Warfare
20-24	AGCM AGCS	23 Yrs 18 Yrs	CMDCM, SEL, DIRCOM, CSC	N/A	CNIFR HQ/Region Staff, Major Command or COCOM Billet: HQ CMDCM, CNIFR Region SEL/Staff/ MOB Qualification: NEC 8CMC/8CSC, SEA, PSEL, Warfare
16-20	AGCM AGCS AGC	16.6 Yrs 14.3 Yrs	DIRCOM, MECP, SEL,CSC	N/A	CNIFR Region Staff, HQ, NMORA, or EMBED Unit Billet: SEL/DEPT LCPO, MOB Qualification: Master FCSTR NEC J00A, NEC 8CSC, SEA, PSEL, Warfare
12-16	AGCS AGC AG1	14.4 Yrs 9.9 Yrs	DIRCOMGG, MECP, SEL	N/A	CNIFR Region Staff, HQ, NMORA Billet: FCSTR/LCPO/SEL/MOB Qualification: Master FCSTR NEC J00B, SEA, PSEL, Warfare
8-12	AG1	9.4 Yrs	Unit LPO, CCC	N/A	SGOT, FWC, MIW, ASW, FST, NOSW, NAVO, NOOC (See note 4) Billet: INSTR/FCSTR/LPO/ MOB Qualification: Forecaster NEC J00A
5-8	AG1 AG2	9.4 Yrs 5.3	DIRCOM, MCEP, Unit LPO/ALPO, CCC	N/A	SGOT, FWC, MIW, ASW, FST, NOSW, NAVO, NOOC (See note 4) Billet: Forecaster, MOB Qualification: Forecaster
4-5	AG2 AG3	4 Yrs 2.5	STA-21, MCEP, NROTC	N/A	SGOT, FWC, MIW, ASW, FST, NOSW, NAVO, NOOC (See note 4) Billet: Analyst/Forecaster Qualification: Apprentice, Analyst
1+/-	AGAN AGAA Accession Training	9 Months		N/A	Recruit Training and all schools or training events required to be completed prior to reporting to their first operational command.

Notes:

1. AG is an "A" School Required Rating.
2. This is not a compression rating.
3. Successful completion of AG "C" school/ award of J00A NEC is required to take the E7 exam and is a requirement for ANY E6 and below enlisted Reserve mobilization (see annual Selection Board NAVADMIN). There are 2 alternate training tracks open to SELRES: RAMS (opening in 2019) and C-School test out option for NAVET prior service forecasters.



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4. The METOC Community is aligned under different warfare areas. These areas include Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW), Mine Warfare (MIW), Naval Special Warfare (NSW), Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (ISR), Strike Group Oceanography Team (SGOT), Aviation (AVN), and Maritime (MAR). Some warfare areas are sea duty intensive (SGOT and NSW), while others are primarily shore-based (AVN, MAR, and ISR). ASW and MIW offer sea duty in the form of deployable “fly-away” teams as well as shore duty within their respective Reach-Back Cell (RBC), providing 24/7 support to anywhere in the world. There are also SELRES billets at LCS units, USFF, C4F and PACOM. AGs will typically work in several warfare areas during their career.

5. EIWS and other warfare qualifications should be viewed as a noteworthy achievement by Selection Boards. Only Sailors assigned or mobilized to units under Operational Commands with an approved program have an opportunity to qualify, but this requires the Sailor to take the initiative. Refer to COMNAVIFOR INSTRUCTION 1414.1A for information related to the EIWS program.

6. Rating NECs: J00A (7412) - Meteorological and Oceanographic (METOC) Forecaster
J00B (7420) - Meteorological and Oceanographic (METOC) Master Forecaster

Considerations for advancement from E6 to E7

Highly competitive candidates for selection as a Chief Petty Officer have met many or all of the following milestones:

- Hold the J00A (7412) NEC (see note 5)
- Served as LPO of ANY unit
- Supported command PQS/JQR qualifications.
- CCC of any unit or any Command Collateral with documented impact
- Earned a warfare pin (if they had the opportunity)
- Mobilized as an IA forecaster, or supported Active Duty operations on ADT/ADSW.
- Active FCPOA member/officer
- Led CPO Phase I events.

Considerations for advancement from E7 to E8

Highly competitive candidates for selection as a Senior Chief Petty Officer have met many or all of the following milestones:

- Served as DEPT LCPO of a METOC unit
- Unit LCPO of any unit
- Command Collateral position with documented impact (DAPA/CMEO/UPC/SARC)
- Served in leadership role within IWC
- Earned a warfare pin (if they had the opportunity)
- Chaired CPO Initiation Committee/CPOA office holder

Considerations for advancement from E8 to E9

Highly competitive candidates for selection as a Master Chief Petty Officer have met many or all of the following milestones:

- Completed the Senior Enlisted Academy or other service equivalent
- Served as LCPO of a METOC unit or LCPO of any unit
- Served in leadership role within IWC
- Earned a warfare pin (if they had the opportunity)
- Chaired CPO Initiation Committee/CPOA office holder
- Served on a CPO selection board.