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SUBJ/ENLISTED APPLICATIONS TO THE UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY CLASS OF 2031//

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NARR/REF A IS NAVMED P-117, MANUAL OF THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.
REF B IS OPNAVINST 1420.1B, ENLISTED TO OFFICER COMMISSIONING PROGRAMS
APPLICATION ADMINISTRATIVE MANUAL.
REF C IS MARINE CORPS ORDER 1040.43B, APPLICATION FOR NOMINATION TO THE U.S.
NAVAL ACADEMY AND NAVAL ACADEMY PREPARATORY SCHOOL.//

RMKS/1. The United States Naval Academy (USNA) is seeking top performing, energetic Sailors and Marines from the Active and Reserve Components who have demonstrated strong leadership for admission to the USNA Class of 2031. Among each USNA class is a corps of prior-enlisted Sailors and Marines who infuse peer-level Fleet experience into the Brigade of Midshipmen. Years from now, these young men and women from all walks of life will lead our Fleet. Commanding officers (CO) are encouraged to identify motivated enlisted personnel who meet the criteria and may be good candidates for selection to the USNA.

2. Successful candidates will be top-quality Sailors and Marines who fit the following profile:

a. Academics:

(1) Possess a strong high school grade point average indicating the potential to succeed at the USNA. Fleet applicants ranked in the top 40 percent of their high school class are typically considered competitive.

(2) Completed four years of mathematics, including a strong foundation in geometry, algebra, and pre-calculus, four years of English, and one year of chemistry.

Additionally, physics, history, and two years of a foreign language are strongly recommended. Continued education since high school is vital; candidates are encouraged to strengthen their application with college courses that include calculus, English, writing, and sciences.

(3) Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores taken within the last two years. Applicants should aim to score above 500 in reading (verbal) and above 550 in math, with a combined minimum of 1,050. For applicants who have taken the American College Test (ACT) or Classic Learning Test (CLT) within the last two years, scores of 22 in English and 24 in math are recommended for ACT, and 39 in Verbal Reasoning - Grammar/Writing (verbal) and 20 in Quantitative Reasoning (math) are recommended for the CLT. Potential

candidates with SAT, ACT or CLT scores that are older than two years should provide the USNA Fleet Coordinator with the reason the tests were not taken. Extensions will not be granted without valid justification and proper documentation from the candidate's command.

b. Top performers who have demonstrated or possess strong leadership (e.g., USN: past and present Command Junior Sailors/Bluejackets of the Quarter/Year, top 20 percent performers in "A," "C"; USMC: NCO of the Quarter/Year recipients, top performers at MOS schools, class leaders, Honor Guard members, meritoriously promoted Marines, and community volunteers).

c. Good moral character and unquestionable loyalty to the United States, as determined by a command interview and military recommendations.

d. No record of disciplinary action under Article 15, Uniform Code of Military Justice, or conviction by civil court (except minor traffic violations) during the three years preceding application for admission. Waivers are considered on a case-by-case basis.

e. Outstanding Physical Fitness. In addition to passing the candidate fitness assessment in the USNA application, candidates need to have demonstrated the ability to pass the USNA physical fitness requirements within the last year or have a first-class physical fitness training (USMC). The USNA physical readiness test standards (minimum passing scores) are:

(1) Push-ups (2 minutes): 71 (Male), 39 (Female).

(2) Front Plank: 2 minutes and 40 seconds (2:40) (Male), 2 minutes and 30 seconds (2:30) (Female).

(3) 1.5 Mile Run: 10 minutes and 30 seconds (10:30) (Male), 13 minutes and 15 seconds (13:15) (Female).

f. Must not have passed their 23rd birthday on 1 July of the year of admission to USNA. No age waivers will be considered.

g. Must not be married, pregnant, or have incurred obligations of parenthood.

h. United States Citizen by Induction Day.

3. Candidates with superior academic performance and strong military backgrounds may receive direct appointments to the USNA. Top performers who need to strengthen their academic background may be selected to attend the Naval Academy Preparatory School (NAPS) in Newport, RI for one year and receive an appointment to the USNA the following year.

4. Personnel selected to attend the USNA or NAPS must be medically qualified by the Department of War Medical Examination Review Board (DoWMERB) to be commissioned as an officer in the Navy or Marine Corps. Once candidates begin submitting application documents, their name will be sent to DoWMERB for the physical and eye exams. The candidate will be contacted by the Department of War Medical Exam Testing System, the DoWMERB contractor, with information on where to receive the physical and eye exams. The candidate will be contacted by the USNA Fleet Coordinator with information on how to get the physical and eye exam completed at their own military treatment facility, as an alternative. Reference (a) provides medical standards.

5. Up to 170 active and reserve personnel may be appointed to the USNA each year. The deadline to apply to the class of 2031 is 31 December 2026. The deadline for all completed application documents is 31 January 2027. Applicants are strongly encouraged to complete their application as soon as possible. Packages completed before 31 January 2027 will be reviewed by the admissions board as soon as they are received. Packages will not be reviewed without the CO's endorsement. References (b) and (c) provide guidance.

6. An applicant becomes an official candidate by submitting a preliminary application online at: <https://www.usna.edu/Admissions/Apply/index.php#fndtn-panel1-Steps-for>. A follow-on email to the Fleet applicant will provide them with a candidate number and instructions for completing the full application. The USNA operates on a rolling admissions process and Fleet applicants are encouraged to complete their applications early to improve competitiveness. Key components to the USNA application include:

- a. Personal Essay.
- b. Candidate Fitness Assessment.
- c. High school transcript.
- d. Extracurricular activities validation.
- e. College entrance exam scores (SAT/ACT/CLT).
- f. Enlisted Military Recommendation (LPO/CPO/DLCPO/SNCO (USMC)).
- g. Officer Military Recommendation (OIC/DIVO/DEPT HEAD/CC (USMC)).
- h. CO Endorsement.

7. Direct application questions to the Fleet Liaison at (410) 293-1839/DSN 281-1839 or fleet@usna.edu, or write to:
USNA, Candidate Guidance Office, Halsey Field House, 52 King George St,
Annapolis, MD 21402-1318, Attn: Fleet Liaison.

8. Additional information about the USNA may be obtained at:
<https://www.usna.edu/Admissions/Apply/Active-Duty-Service-Applicants.php>.

9. Released by the Honorable Hung Cao, Acting Secretary of the Navy.//

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