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SUBJ/OFFICER APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR THE NAVY FLIGHT DEMONSTRATION
SQUADRON (BLUE ANGELS) FOR 2027-2028 SHOW SEASONS//

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AMPN/REF A IS CNATRAINST 1301.4P, APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND QUALIFICATIONS
FOR OFFICERS OF THE NAVY FLIGHT DEMONSTRATION SQUADRON.//

RMKS/1. This NAVADMIN announces the solicitation of officer applications for
the Navy flight demonstration squadron (Blue Angels) for the 2027 - 2028 show
seasons. The Navy Flight Demonstration Squadron (Blue Angels) will select:

a. For 2027-2028 show seasons:

(1) Two F/A-18 demonstration pilots. Both Navy and Marine Corps
pilots are encouraged to apply. Of the two F/A-18 demonstration pilots
selected, one will be for the 2027-2029 show seasons.

(2) One Events Coordinator.

(3) One Maintenance Officer.

(4) One Flight Surgeon.

b. For 2027-2029 show seasons. One Marine Corps C-130 demonstration
pilot.

2. Interested officers, submit applications in line with reference (a) no
later than 30 April 2026. All applicants must contact their detailer or
monitor prior to applying to ensure adequate timing to complete a 2 or 3 year
tour without impacting career milestones. Manpower Management Officer
Assignments (MMOA) will release a separate MARADMIN that outlines Marine
applicant eligibility requirements. Final selections will be made in July
2026.

3. Qualifications. Applicants should be career oriented, Navy and Marine
Corps Officers with the following specific qualifications:

a. F/A-18 demonstration pilot:

(1) Must be, or have been, carrier qualified with approximately
1,250 tactical jet flight hours by 30 September of the year applying.

(2) Have completed an operational Fleet tour.

(3) Have completed Advanced Flight Training with an average or
greater composite score.

b. Marine C-130 demonstration pilot:

(1) Must have an aircraft commander rating in the C-130J.

(2) Should have a minimum of 1,200 total flight hours.

- (3) Have completed Advanced Flight Training with an average or greater composite score.
- c. Events Coordinator applicants must be Naval Flight Officers or Naval Aviators who have completed an operational Fleet tour.
- d. Maintenance Officer:
- (1) Must be designated Aviation Maintenance Officers (152X/633X/734X), (CWO3/CWO4/LTJG/LT/LCDR).
- (2) Be on, or have completed, an operational Fleet tour.
- e. Flight Surgeon applicants must be qualified Naval Flight Surgeons and be on or have completed a tour as a Naval Flight Surgeon.
4. Selectees will be approved by Chief of Naval Air Training with BUPERS or MMOA review and concurrence on suitability prior to public notification. Navy and Marine Corps pilots will be required to remain on Active Duty for a period of 2 years following completion of their assignment with the Blue Angels.
5. Reference (a) details application procedures.
- a. Applications submitted via mail through 1 March 2026, address to:
Commanding Officer
Navy Flight Demonstration Squadron
Attn: Maj Scott Laux
Naval Air Facility El Centro
1605 Third Street
Hangar 5
El Centro, CA 92243
- b. Applications submitted via mail from 2 March 2026 through 30 April 2026, address to:
Commanding Officer
Navy Flight Demonstration Squadron
Attn: Maj Scott Laux
390 San Carlos Road, Suite A
Pensacola, FL 32508-5508
- c. Applications may also be delivered in person beginning 15 March 2026.
6. For additional information, visit the Blue Angels website at <https://www.blueangels.navy.mil/>, or contact the Blue Angels Applicants Officer, Maj Scott Laux, in El Centro, CA (January through Mid-March) at (760)339-2509 or via email at Scott.j.laux.mil@us.navy.mil, or in Pensacola, FL at (850)452-4650.
7. This NAVADMIN will remain in effect until superseded or 31 August 2026, whichever occurs first.
8. Released by Ms. Lisa M. St. Andre, Assistant Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, N1B.//

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