

MILPERSMAN 1133-070

FULFILLMENT OF THE 8-YEAR OBLIGATION

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1. Policy

a. An 8-year obligor will be considered as having fulfilled their obligation when discharged

(1) administratively as authorized by Chief of Naval Personnel (CHNAVPERS) for the purpose of complete separation from military status;

(2) by sentence of a court-martial; or

(3) when obligor has served for a period of 8 years from the date of initial enlistment or induction as a member of the Armed Forces, Regular or Reserve, on active duty, or a combination of such duty.

b. In computing service for this purpose, all periods of lost time from active service due to unauthorized absence, confinement, nonperformance of duty (civil arrest), and sickness misconduct as defined in this article or in this manual relating to making up lost time shall be deducted. Upon completion of the period of service, the member shall, if otherwise eligible therefore, be discharged by reason of expiration of enlistment or fulfillment of service obligation, as appropriate.

2. Exception. The 8-year obligation is not considered terminated upon discharge or other type of separation for the purpose of immediate entry or re-entry in the same or any other component of the Armed Forces in the same or any status or for the purpose of entry into an officer training program in which the member has a military status. Additional service shall be counted toward fulfillment of the obligation.

3. **Further Exception.** Eight-year obligors shall not be discharged upon entry into an officer-training program in which they would not have military status.