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FLIGHT SURGEON

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Reference (a) NAVPERS 15665I, U.S. Navy Uniform Regulations	ns	
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- 1. <u>Policy</u>. The Chief of Naval Personnel (CHNAVPERS) designates qualified medical officers as naval flight surgeons. This authority may be delegated to Commanding Officer, Naval Aerospace Medicine Institute (NAMI), Pensacola, FL. Upon designation, flight surgeons are authorized to wear the appropriate insignia as prescribed in reference (a), chapter 5, section 2, article 5201.2, unless specifically revoked by CHNAVPERS.
- 2. **Qualifications**. Successful completion of the approved course of instruction for naval flight surgeons at the NAMI include:
- a. Successful completion of the aviation preflight indoctrination at Naval Aviation Schools Command.
- b. Successful completion of the flight curriculum prescribed by Chief of Naval Aviation Training (CNATRA) for flight surgeons. This requirement may be waived upon request for medical officers previously designated as naval aviators, naval flight officers, or those previously designated as aviators by another military or federal agency (e.g., Army, National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)).

3. Failure to Meet Physical Standards and Disposition

a. Failure to meet prescribed physical requirements for flying as a flight surgeon will be

- (1) set forth in the report of physical examination for flying (DD 2808 Report of Medical Examination) with appropriate addenda; and then
- (2) forwarded to Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (BUMED); who will then
 - (3) submit a recommendation to CHNAVPERS.
 - b. The flight surgeon will be
- (1) permitted to continue class II flight status (subject to waiver of physical defects by CHNAVPERS), or
- (2) restricted from flight duties but allowed to retain designation to continue ground duties of naval flight surgeon, or
- (3) restricted from all flight surgeon duties with retention of designator, or
- (4) restricted from all flight surgeon duties with revocation of designator.

4. Revocation. Revocation is:

- a. normally limited to those who have expressed a lack of motivation for flying, refusal to fly, malingering, or failure to fulfill the duties of a flight surgeon as delineated by CNATRA, BUMED; or
- b. flight surgeons found by other boards to be incompetent to practice medicine; or
- c. unsuitable for military service and must be disqualified to practice as a naval flight surgeon, and that designation must be revoked.
- 5. <u>Insignia</u>. CHNAVPERS designates qualified medical officers as naval flight surgeons. Designated naval flight surgeons may wear the naval flight surgeon insignia unless specifically revoked by CHNAVPERS. These personnel may not wear the insignia again until requalification requirements are met and approved by CHNAVPERS.

6. <u>Appeals</u>. CHNAVPERS may convene a formal board of senior flight surgeons at BUMED, Falls Church, VA. The decision of this board will be final. Appellants may request appearance before this board and be issued temporary additional duty orders authorizing government air travel, at no additional expense to the government, per existing directives.