

MILPERSMAN 1301-201

OFFICER SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS - ENSIGN "STASH" ASSIGNMENTS

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1. **Policy.** Newly commissioned officers temporarily assigned to an activity while awaiting initial entry level training where the period between commissioning and convening of initial entry level training (including authorization of appropriate advance leave) is greater than 60 days are assigned as ensign "stashes."

a. Upon commissioning, officers will be assigned to appropriate entry level training. Navy Personnel Command division directors may grant exceptions to this policy, only if Training Command (TRACOM) facilities are unable to accommodate the officer as a student. In that case, the officer will be assigned temporarily to an activity whose mission is related to the officer's specialty, recruiting or training with Assignment Category Code (ACC) 108 or 150.

b. Officers will normally be assigned temporary duty aboard an afloat command, preferably to their ultimate command. Stashing at shore based commands will not normally be approved.

2. **Assignment Procedures.** The following procedures apply for "Ensign Stash" assignments:

a. Requests for an "Ensign Stash" will be directed to the placement officer for the activity making the request.

b. Placement officers will determine "Ensign Stash" availability and, when requests are made, will follow normal procedures in assigning those stashed within the guidelines of the policy stated above.

c. Ensigns stashed for a period longer than 120 days will be assigned for duty permanent change of station (PCS).