

MILPERSMAN 1306-406

REASSIGNMENT OF QUALIFIED SUBMARINERS

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References	(a) NAVMED P-117, Manual of the Medical Department (MANMED) (b) OPNAVINST 7220.15
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1. **Policy.** Navy Personnel Command (NAVPERSCOM), Nuclear Power/Submarine Assignment Branch (PERS-403) desires that submarine qualified members be assigned duty within the submarine force if valid manning requirements exist.

2. **Reassignment of Qualified Submariners to Submarine Duty**

a. Enlisted members serving on duty outside the submarine force will be ordered to duty within the force at their projected rotation date (PRD), provided such manning requirements exist.

b. The Job Advertising and Selection System (JASS) found at www.jass.navy.mil may be used to identify submarine duty preferences. Submarine qualified members who no longer hold an Enlisted Designator 1 (Divers, Explosive Ordnance Disposal, Sea-Air-Land, Career Recruiter, etc.) must submit NAVPERS 1306/7 (Rev. 1/03), Enlisted Personnel Action Request for reinstatement of Enlisted Designator 1 and return to submarine duty.

c. Members who converted to a non-submarine source rating (MA, NC, etc.) must include a request for lateral conversion back to a submarine source rating, and if applicable, NAVPERS 1221/6 (6/06), Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) Change Request for assignment of submarine specific NEC. See MILPERSMAN 1306-416 for amplifying instructions on how to apply for submarine reinstatement.

3. Qualification in Submarines by Members in Non-Submarine Source Ratings

a. MILPERSMAN 1220-040 specifies the criteria to be designated "Qualified in Submarines."

b. Waivers may be granted by NAVPERSCOM (PERS-403) for members serving temporary additional duty (TAD) on board a submarine who complete the on board requirements for qualification. A request for such a waiver must include an endorsement by the submarine commanding officer (CO) and submarine type commander (TYCOM). Members approved for such a waiver will be assigned Submarine Designator 7 (SG). **NOTE: Members in this category are not entitled to Continuous Submarine Pay (CONSUBPAY).**

4. Return to Submarine Duty following Limited Duty (LIMDU).

Non-nuclear trained submarine designated members on LIMDU, found fit for full duty by a Physical Evaluation Board (PEB), require further medical screening per reference (a), article 18 to ensure the member is qualified for submarine duty.

a. Prior to submitting a class "YJ" Availability Report the member's medical record must be screened by an Undersea Medical Officer to verify physical qualification per MILPERSMAN 1306-1200 through 1306-1210. The doctor's name and the statement "found physically qualified for submarine duty" must appear in the remarks section of the YJ Availability Report. A class "YJ" Availability Report submitted without this information will be canceled. If an Undersea Medical Officer is not available, a submarine physical must be completed per reference (a), article 15.

b. Nuclear trained submarine members are addressed separately in MILPERSMAN 1306-1206.

5. Transfer out of the Submarine Force. Members approved for permanent transfer to a community outside the submarine force, or assigned a rating or NEC which is non-submarine specific (i.e., HM training, Career Recruiter Force, Second Class Diver training, etc.), will be assigned Submarine Designator 7 (SG).

a. This entitles the member to wear the submarine warfare breast insignia, but member is no longer eligible for CONSUBPAY. The assignment of Submarine Designator 7 (SG) is made effective the date of the rating change or NEC assignment.

b. If a member requests release from the non-submarine community and desires to return to submarine duty, member must include a request for reinstatement to the submarine force.

c. Reinstatement to submarine duty for these members is not automatic and is approved only by NAVPERSCOM (PERS-403); or for HM Submarine Independent Duty Corpsman (IDC), NAVPERSCOM (PERS-403) and Chief of Naval Operations (CNO), Nuclear Enlisted Program Manager (N133D).

6. **Maximum Tour Length away from Submarine Duty.** Reference (b) allows submarine designated members to draw CONSUBPAY while not serving on board a submarine if they maintain an obligated service (OBLISERV) of 14 months beyond the non-submarine duty PRD (if otherwise eligible), in order for the member to rotate back to submarine duty.

a. The intent of this requirement is that submarine qualified members return to submarine duty on a normal sea/shore rotation throughout their career.

b. Members who remain away from submarine duty for more than 5 years maximum, by virtue of an additional non-submarine tour of duty or PRD extension, will be screened by NAVPERSCOM (PERS-403) prior to returning to submarine duty.

c. Members who elect to remain on non-submarine duty will be assigned Submarine Designator 5 (SQ). This entitles a member to continue to wear the enlisted submarine warfare breast insignia, but member is no longer entitled to CONSUBPAY and is not to be assigned to submarine duty without NAVPERSCOM (PERS-403) approval.