

UPDATE



NAVY PAY AND PERSONNEL SUPPORT CENTER OPS ALERT

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Procedure Update: **PROCESS SAILORS ATTENDING NETC/BUMED SPONSORED TRAINING AS MISSION ESSENTIAL (EXCEPT FLEET RETURNEES REMAINING IN RATE)**

Release Date: 07/20/2020

Effective Date: IMMEDIATELY

BLUF: This OPS Alert adds additional clarity to the PCS Waiver Exempt Memorandum. ALL Officers and Enlisted, to include Fleet returnees who are changing rate or designators, lateral transfers, commissioning Sailors, PACT Sailors, and all new accessions attending (traveling within or from) a NETC-or-BUMED-sponsored training environment (i.e. A/C/F/G/T /etc. schools), are deemed MISSION ESSENTIAL and therefore exempted from Permanent Change of Station (PCS) restrictions as outlined in NAVADMINs 169/20 and 189/20 and CNPC ltr 1000 PERS-4 of 10 July 20. **Fleet Returnees remaining in their current rate traveling from their PDS to training still require a waiver.**

DISCUSSION: Due to continued movement of Sailors to fill mission requirements while weathering this COVID-19 pandemic, PERS-4 has classified ALL Sailors attending (traveling within or from) a NETC-or-BUMED-sponsored training environment as “accessions” and a waiver to conduct PCS travel upon completion of that training is not required by NETC or BUMED from the school house location to either the next training location or to the ultimate duty location. **Fleet Returnees remaining in their current rate traveling from their PDS to training still require a waiver.** This will ensure processing of gains, loss, per diem, travel request and travel claims with the same precedence.

WHAT THIS MEANS TO YOU:

- **UPDATE** to this **OPS ALERT** to clarify that a waiver is **REQUIRED** for Fleet Returnees **WHOM REMAIN IN THEIR CURRENT RATE.**
- Those Fleet Returnees whom are **CHANGING RATE** are treated as **NEW ACCESSIONS** and therefore **DO NOT** require a waiver.
- Effective immediately, ALL Officers and Enlisted attending NETC-or-BUMED-sponsored training are classified as **MISSION ESSENTIAL.**
- **Sailors should be processed expeditiously upon arrival and prior to departure.**
- Ensure training held at the TSCs, PSDs levels and with CPPAs.

“AGAIN A WAIVER IS NOT REQUIRED ONCE IN THE TRAINING ENVIRONMENT”

******Disseminate to all tenant commands and CPPAs within your AOR******

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