



Commander, Navy Reserve Forces Command Force Mobilization Newsletter

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Message from the Director

This quarter's newsletter looks back at the rationale for the disestablishment of the Ready Mobilization Pool (RMP), failure to disclose issues, volunteering for a mobilization and the possibility of being notified for an involuntary mobilization while in a deferment.

The Navy Reserve continues to deliver strategic depth and operational capability to the Navy, Marine Corps, and Joint Forces. In FY17, the Navy Reserve has been tasked to fill 2,097 IA requirements, representing a slight decrease from the 2,191 FY16 IA requirements.

My team and I stand ready to answer any questions or concerns you may have regarding mobilization.

Very respectfully,
CDR Brandon "Billy" Ray
Director of Mobilizations



Caption: The ISA SECFOR comprised of 162 Reservists completed USAF Desert Defender School on 14 Feb 2016. The ISA SECFOR is currently turning over in country with the Army National Guard from North Carolina.

Mobilization Snapshot

Training Pipeline	606
Boots On Ground	2,077
Med Hold	61
NMPS/Post-Mob	174
RC Sailors mobilized	2,918

In the News

The Ready Mobilization Pool

The N35 shop is regularly asked about the Ready Mobilization Pool, or RMP. Specifically Sailors want to know if it is coming back. In short, we do not anticipate that in the foreseeable future.

The RMP was first implemented in 2009 to manage the mobilization of Reserve Officers. In 2010, Reserve Enlisted personnel were added to the pool coinciding with an increase in the number of mobilizations across the entire Reserve Force which had reached their highest level since 2003.

When the RMP was created almost 7,000 Reservists were mobilized. That number was cut in half by 2014 which led to the disestablishment of the RMP on January 1, 2014.

Currently, Reserve Sailors who are not in a managed community, deploying unit, or MOB-exempt unit, are looked at en masse for "unrestricted population" mobilizations, when no qualified volunteers are available. It is important to note that almost 85% of all mobilizations are filled by volunteers and the use of a qualified volunteer is always our first priority.

Demobilization

Every week Reserve Sailors complete the demobilization process at ECRC. Following ECRC, Sailors are expected to return immediately to their NOSC for administrative processing. This may require the NOSC to be open on the weekend. There may be occasions when it is appropriate for Sailors to wait until after terminal leave to report back to their NOSC. This situation should be coordinated between ECRC and the NOSC.



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Mobilization Hot Topics

Failure to Disclose

We consistently see mobilization cancellations due to members failing to keep their Chain of Command updated on their physical status. In the last year 12% (61 of 489) of mobilization cancellations were due to Reserve Sailors failing to disclose known medical issues until after identified for mobilization. The majority of these cancellations (45) either led to another Sailor being mobilized as their replacement on short-notice, or created mission gaps.

Current policy (DoDI 1215.13, BUPERSINST 1001.39F, RESPERSMAN 1001-010) requires members of the Ready Reserve to notify their NOSC CO via their Unit CO of any changes in their physical status. Failure to do so may result in administrative action.

Driving to ECRC

Mobilization orders state that if the ultimate duty station is INCONUS, POV travel to NOSC, ECRC, and/or ultimate duty station is authorized if advantageous to the government. Unfortunately, we have seen some Sailors reporting to ECRC after their "Report No Later Than" date because they were taking extra time to drive their POV.

Regardless of the mode of transportation, all Reservists are expected to be at the duty stations listed, on the date and time prescribed in their official orders.

Volunteering is a Commitment

The Mobilization Volunteer Portal is on the N35 webpage of the Navy Reserve Homeport, where Sailors can sign up to volunteer for mobilization opportunities advertised via GovDelivery.

If you volunteer, N35 will only consider you for the mobilizations you select. If your application is rejected you will be notified.

There have been a number of Sailors who express that they no longer want to execute the mission after they have volunteered for mobilizations. By submitting your information via the volunteer portal, you are committing yourself to the specific mobilizations you select.

Before submitting an application it is important that you speak with your family, job, command, etc. to be sure that you are prepared to fulfill the commitment you are making by submitting your application via the Volunteer Portal.

Being Notified of Mobilization During A Deferment

Some MAS codes are used to identify Sailors who have situations which defer mobilization for a period of time. An example is TS1 which means members receive a two-year deferment from mobilization if they affiliate with the Reserves within 6 months of release from active duty.

Having this MAS code does not preclude you from selection for mobilization, but instead means that the start date of the mobilization cannot begin until after your deferment ends.

Although this action seldom occurs and is avoided to the maximum extent possible, your RLD can occur as soon as one day after the end of your deferment.

Consequently, this results in the official notification taking place during the actual deferment period.

For the latest information visit:

CNRFC N35 webpage

<https://private.navyreserve.navy.mil/cnrfc/N-Codes/N3>

USFF Navy IA webpage

<http://www.public.navy.mil/ia>