ACTIVE-DUTY
OFFICER PROMOTIONS
PERS-80
Scope & Purpose

• Scope:
  – This brief covers the process for Active-Duty Officer regular statutory promotion boards as governed by SECNAVINST 1420.1 (series)
  – Provides an overview ONLY, not to be taken as comprehensive

• Purpose:
  – Answer the question: “How does the board process work?”
  – Emphasize the importance of personal record management
Officer Promotion Plan: How Do I Know When Am I Eligible?

• NOTICE OF CONVENING PROMOTION SELECTION BOARDS NAVADMIN
  – Announces next Fiscal Year’s zones for each competitive category of officers
  – Always released in December – Not less than 30 days prior to first board
  – Based on the Promotion Plan produced by CNP N13

• Individual Eligibility
  – Based on your Date of Rank and Lineal Number, which is available on BUPERS ONLINE, which contains the Naval Register
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Help, I’m in zone! What do I do now?

- View your OSR/PSR via “Official Military Personnel File (OMPF) – My Record” online at:

  [www.bol.navy.mil](http://www.bol.navy.mil)

  Log onto BUPERS Online to view record

- Check everything in your record (see next slide for details) -- if something is missing, submit a letter to the board with the missing/correct document(s) as an enclosure(s).
Maintaining Your Record

• Check:
  – Regular FITREP Continuity
  – Awards
  – Education Information
  – Service Schools
  – Subspecialty Codes
  – Additional Qualification Designation (AQD) Codes
  – Naval Officer Billet Classification (NOBC) Codes
  – Ensure that you have a precedence number!
Pre-Board
Membership Composition:
SECNAVINST 1401.3 (Series)

- Active-Duty Regular Unrestricted Line (Minimum Criteria)
  - 5 Aviators (13X0 with at least one pilot 1310 and one NFO 1320)
  - 4 Surface (1110)
  - 3 Submarine (1120)
  - 1 Special Warfare (1130)
  - 1 Special Operation (1140)

Included in the above minimum requirements are:
- 1 Joint Rep (JQO) and one alternate (approved by CJCS)
- 3 Acquisition Professional (APM), 1 each SWO/AVIAT/SUBS for O6/O7 boards and 1 APM for O5/O4 boards
- Minority/Female Reps
Pre-Board
Membership Composition:
SECNAVINST 1401.3 (Series)

• Active-Duty Restricted Line (Minimum Criteria)
  – 2 RL
  – 5 URL Officers with 1 min each SURF/SUB/AVIA
    • JQO/APM reps (as required by eligibles)
    • Minority/Female Reps

• LDO (Minimum Criteria is 5 officers)
  – 4 LDOs normally (1 each: 61XX(640X), 62XX(640X), 63XX, 64XX for major designators with eligible officers under consideration)
  – 5 URL Officers normally (URLs must be the majority)
    • Minority/Female Reps
Pre-Board
Membership Composition:
SECNAVINST 1401.3 (Series)

• Active-Duty Staff Corps (Minimum Criteria)
  – 5 Members with 1 URL required
  – 4 Members should be from the community
    – Chaplain Corps Boards (≤ O6) = 2 CHC and 5 URL
    – LDO = 5 members (In Desig LDO if avail, 1 Staff Corps
      from each associated LDO designator, 1 URL min.)
    – Flag Boards - majority is from URL
• Minority/Female Reps
• JQO/APM Reps (As required by eligibles/community)
• MC – Med/Surg Rep
• NC – RN/APN Rep
• MSC – HCA/HCC/HCS Rep
Lieutenant All Fully Qualified
ALNAV 033/02

- Lieutenant All Fully Qualified is a selection process conducted by PERS-80
- All officers who will have completed the LTJG statutory time in grade requirement of 24 months within the next fiscal year will normally be placed on the select list for Lieutenant if on the most recent observed regular fitness report, the officer did not receive a promotion recommendation of “significant problems” or “progressing”.
- All records are screened and reviewed for adverse information
- Those who are selected for promotion will be promoted on the first day of the first month following the anniversary of 24 months in grade. The monthly promotion NAVADMIN message released by CNP is the authority for promotion.
- An officer is eligible only if during the one-year period ending on the date of the convening of the promotion board the officer has continuously performed service on either the reserve active-status list or the active-duty list (or on a combination of both lists). Entry grade credit does not count towards this one-year period.
Commanding officers are authorized to make the initial determination as to the basic qualifications of officers under their command to serve in the grade of lieutenant junior grade (LTJG).

- Officers may be promoted to LTJG as soon as qualified, but not earlier than the date of completion of 24 months service in grade as Ensign (ENS).

For example, an ENS whose date of rank is 2 October 2014 will complete 24 months in grade on 1 October 2016 and will be eligible for promotion on 2 October 2016.
The Promotion Selection Board Precept

- Signed by SECNAV
- ONE issued each FY and covers all O6 and below statutory boards convened in that FY
- Promulgates general guidance on the function and procedures of all statutory selection boards
- Contains the required oaths for the board members and recorders to ensure strict confidentiality of proceedings
- Addresses equal opportunity and diversity guidance
- Addresses processing and routing of promotion selection board reports
- References SECNAV approved community briefs & competency/skill information
The Promotion Selection Board Convening Order

- Signed by SECNAV
- Issued for EACH board and provides the authority to convene the board
- Provides the date, time, and location of the selection board along with official list of membership, recorders, and admin support for that particular board
- Sets the “best and fully qualified” selection standard along with the authorized percentage to select for each competitive category
- Defines skill requirements to be considered by the board for each competitive category
- Defines additional considerations by the board for each competitive category
- Sets the statutory objectives for Joint and Acquisition Corps
Pre-board
(Preparation)

• Two Months Prior/Three Weeks Prior
  – Verify eligibles based on lineal number and any changes
    (e.g., resignations or retirements)

• List of eligibles sent to Selection Board Support for creation
  of the selection board in the Navy Selection Board System
  and the Navy Officer and Enlisted Board System (OEBS)

• Board Convening Order is generated and routed by PERS-804
  for SECNAV approval (must have to convene board)
Board Recorder Week
(Board Prep)

• Usually starts one week prior to the board with board recorders arrival

• Board Recorders: Verify eligible’s record displays accurately in the Selection Board System
  
  (DONE AS A COURTESY TO ELIGIBLES!)

  – Verify regular FITREP continuity for previous 5 years
  – Verify OSR/PSR accurately reflects FITREP grades and promotion recommendations for the previous 5 years
  – Verify awards & education

• IMPORTANT!! – The recorder’s verification does NOT replace to the officer’s responsibility to ensure the completeness and accuracy of his/her record.
Communication with the Selection Board by eligible officers:

• Letter to the Board (LTB) – see MILPERSMAN 1420-010
  ¬ NOT required, but is authorized by law
  ¬ Written communication from the eligible officer to the Board President
  ¬ Must arrive not later than 2359 Central Time on the day prior to the board convening date

Regular Mail and EMAIL to: CSCSELBOARD@NAVY.MIL are preferred
¬ May call attention to any matter concerning the eligible officer that the officer considers important to his/her case
¬ By law, a LTB MUST be considered by the board, so use discretion!!

Federal law prohibits third party correspondence, so items submitted including letters of recommendation, MUST ALL come from the eligible officer!!
Board Week
(Convening & Record Review)

• Board members arrive on board convening day and review precept/convening order
• Usually 0800 start with welcome/admin remarks
• Members and Recorders are sworn in (Oaths)
• Mandatory SECNAV brief
• Members proceed to the appropriate boardroom
• Members are provided training on the board software application
• Eligible records are distributed randomly to board members
• Members begin review and grade of above and in-zone eligible records
  – Member reviews all FITREPs and other applicable items in the official record of the assigned eligible and places grade, notes, and highlights on the OSR/PSR to be viewed by all board members in the “Tank”.
Completed records are displayed and briefed by the reviewing member in the “Tank”

The record is briefed along with any applicable statutory items, such as LTB or Field Code-17 (FC-17)

- FC-17 is privileged or adverse information of a punitive or medical nature concerning the eligible, that **MUST** be briefed in the “Tank”
- **NOTE:** Adverse/medical information can only be briefed if it contained in the eligible’s official military record, such as a FC-17

All members vote the record via a confidence factor (100, 75, 50, 25, 0)

Head Recorder records the vote in the Head Recorder’s Notebook and calls out the number of YES votes with the overall confidence factor
WIRELESS VOTING BOX USED IN THE “TANK”
Mock Record used for training purposes ONLY

OSR/PSR WITH SAMPLE BRIEFER ANNOTATIONS AS SHOWN IN THE "TANK" – MEMBER’S VIEW
SAMPLE TANK VOTE SCREEN IN “TANK” (YES/NO EXAMPLE SHOWN)
Once all AZ & IZ records have been briefed and voted, a scattergram is displayed that shows a cumulative number of votes at each confidence level.

The floor is open for motions:
- Tentatively select those officers that are clearly at the top
- Drop from further consideration those officers that are clearly not competitive for further consideration
- **NOTE:** This is an overview of typical motions made by a board membership and is not meant to represent an actual “Tank” voting session

Those officers who remain after those tentatively selected or dropped from further consideration are considered “crunch” records and are normally re-distributed among the membership for a second review in the boardroom.
- **NOTE:** If the first review was not done by a member of the same or similar designator, the second review MUST BE.
### Sample Scattergram

#### Board Week

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#### Before Any Voting Motions
**Board Week**  
*(Sample Scattergram)*

**Example Motion:**
Tentatively select those officers 90 and above

**Example Motion:**
Drop from further consideration those officers 45 and below

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6 eligible records remain for a second review, known as “Crunch” records
Board Week
(Below Zone Vote to Brief)

• After the scattergram is accepted by the Board President, the members view the BZ records displayed in the “tank” by seniority without a member review or brief.

• Members vote each record:
  – “100” (Yes – we should review and brief this record)  -OR-
  – “0” (No – we should not review and brief this record)

• After all BZ records are voted, a new scattergram of BZ records ONLY is displayed for the following voting motion:
  – Vote to drop from further considerations (DFC) all officers with a confidence factor of ## and below
  – Any records not DFC are added to the “crunch” records and will be reviewed, graded, and briefed by a board member

• **NOTE 1:** BZ ELIGIBLES ARE ACTIVE-DUTY ONLY & ARE LIMITED TO 10% OF TOTAL AUTHORIZED SELECTS; THEY ARE NOT EXTRA SELECTIONS

• **NOTE 2:** BZ ELIGIBLES DROPPED FROM FURTHER CONSIDERATION DO NOT INCUR A FAILURE OF SELECTION
• “Crunch” records are reviewed and graded
• Once all complete, the records are again displayed and briefed by the reviewing member in the “Tank”
  – The record will display all markings and grades by both reviewers in different colors allowing members to differentiate which reviewer made what mark
• All members vote the record via a confidence factor (100, 75, 50, 25, 0)
• Head Recorder records the vote in the Head Recorder’s Notebook and calls out the number of YES votes with the overall confidence factor
• Once all records have been voted, the scattergram is displayed and the floor is open for voting motions
• Members vote on who, if any, to tentatively select and who to drop from further consideration
Board Week
(Final Selections/Adjournment)

- If there are still authorized selections available, and there are officers who are neither tentatively selected or dropped from further consideration, then those remaining records continue to be “crunched”
- Process continues until all authorized selections are filled, or the board membership does not find any additional officers meet the selection criteria
- The Select List is verified and the board votes to confirm their selections and certify they have maintained the integrity of the selection board
- The Board Members and Recorders sign the signature pages to be forwarded with the board’s Record of Proceedings
- The Board President makes any closing remarks and adjourns the board
Post-Board (Callout)

- Usually conducted between the Board President, PERS-80 Board Sponsor, CNPC and CNP – followed by a SECNAV callout

- Purpose:
  - Present Board statistic books
  - Brief Chain-of-Command on board results
  - Consider improvements to the Precept and selection board process

NOTE: NOT EVERY BOARD HAS A CALLOUT
Post-Board
(The Record of Proceedings [ROP])

- PERS-804 prepares and finalizes the board’s ROP and sends to the Office of the Secretary of Defense for approval
- OSD forwards the Select List to the Senate for confirmation
- The following table shows the approval/confirmation process governed by 10 USC 624 – (entire process usually takes 3 months):

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• Once OSD approves the board results, the selections are released via an ALNAV

• Selectees are in a Select status but are **NOT YET** promoted

• Actual promotions start at the beginning of the fiscal year according to a promotion phasing plan approved by SECNAV and published online
  – Current plan: By lineal number seniority, 3% promoted for first 11 months of the FY, 67% promoted in the last month of the FY
  – Official promotion is announced via a monthly NAVADMIN
I Failed to Select!
What do I do now?

- Consult MILPERSMAN 1420-050
  - Above and In Zone officers only
- You **MUST REQUEST** formal Failed to Select (FOS) Counseling from your detailer, it **IS NOT** automatic
  - Detailer will review your record with you and point out potential weaknesses and areas to strengthen
  - Detailer will **NOT** be able to provide any specifics of the promotion board
- Board members and Recorders are not allowed to provide FOS counseling per SECNAVINST 1420.1 (Series)
PERS-8 POCs

• PERS-801/803: Officer and enlisted promotion selection board execution (includes Spot and Special Selection Boards)

• PERS-804: Pre and Post Board processes (Precept/Convening Orders, Board ROP, Community Briefs)

• PERS-83: Officer and enlisted performance, separation, retirement, adverse matter