EXTENSION OF ENLISTMENTS

1. Policy

   a. Per reference (a), the Secretary concerned may prescribe an extension of enlistment for a member of an armed force with his or her written consent for a period not to exceed 4 years per enlistment.

   b. Except as outlined in this article, all extension agreements are to be considered conditional for a specified reason. As such, extensions must be executed in monthly increments of 1 to 23 months, with the exception of personnel who sign extension agreements during their initial recruit enlistment contracts. Unconditional extensions are not authorized and Sailors are only eligible to execute a maximum of two extensions per enlistment. See paragraph 3 for additional guidance.

   c. When a member is discharged from an enlistment that has been extended under this article, the member has the same rights, privileges, and benefits that they would have if discharged at the same time from an enlistment not extended.

   d. Sailors in pay grades E-6 and below with less than 14 years of service must have an approved authorization from Career Waypoints (C-WAY) in order to extend their enlistment, except as outlined in paragraph 5c.
e. Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (OPNAV), Military Personnel, Plans, and Policy (N13) is responsible for total force management in support of OPNAV, Manpower, Personnel, Training, and Education (N1) and is the final disposition authority for deviations from this policy.

**Note:** Navy Personnel Command (NAVPERSCOM), Career Administration Division (PERS-81) is empowered to approve or disapprove extension requests submitted by commands. Commands may request additional reviews of disapproval decisions in the form of an exception to policy from OPNAV (N13).

2. **Definitions**

   a. “Agreement to extend enlistment” refers to the official form of agreement on NAVPERS 1070/621 Agreement to Extend Enlistment per MILPERSMAN 1070-250. Agreements on other than the official form are of an informal, unofficial nature, and could be repudiated or withdrawn by the member or the Navy. Clerical instructions for preparation of the agreement are contained in reference (b). NAVPERS 1070/621 may be accessed by using the following Web address: [http://www.public.navymil/bupers-npc/reference/forms/NAVPERS/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.public.navymil/bupers-npc/reference/forms/NAVPERS/Pages/default.aspx).

   b. “Agreement to extend active duty” refers to the official form of agreement on NAVPERS 1070/622 Agreement to Recall or Extend Active Duty per MILPERSMAN 1070-260. For United States Navy Reserve members, NAVPERS 1070/622 is used to extend the Reserve active duty obligation and NAVPERS 1070/621 to extend the enlisted Reserve enlistment (if required). Clerical instructions for preparation of the agreement are contained in reference (b). NAVPERS 1070-622 may be accessed by using the following Web address: [http://www.public.navymil/bupers-npc/reference/forms/NAVPERS/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.public.navymil/bupers-npc/reference/forms/NAVPERS/Pages/default.aspx).

   c. “Execution of the agreement to extend enlistment” or “execution of extension date” refers to the signature affixed on an extension of an agreement by the member concerned.

   d. “Extension becomes operative” or “operative date” refers to the date the extension commences, which is the date after expiration of enlistment, as extended, or as adjusted for the purpose of making up time not served. Following execution and
prior to this date, the extension will be considered inoperative.

**Note:** Once an extension agreement becomes operative it may not be cancelled. In order to alter or cancel an operative extension, Sailors must submit a petition to the Board for Correction of Naval Records if they believe the extension was executed erroneously or that justifiable cancellation adjudication did not occur prior to the extension becoming operative.

e. **“Fault of member”** is defined as an intentional act of a Service member making the Service member culpable for the outcome which includes:

   (1) A Sailor who willfully commits any action which results in attrition from a formal class “A” or “C” school; or

   (2) A Sailor who voluntarily withdraws, drops, or quits a course of instruction.

**Note:** Inoperative extensions will not be cancelled if it is determined that the member is at fault.

f. **“No fault of member”** is defined as any action or event that is not intentionally committed by a Sailor (e.g., a Sailor diagnosed by a physician with an illness or medical condition (e.g., pregnancy) that may not allow the Sailor to complete formal “A” or “C” school, or a Sailor who has executed an extension of enlistment for permanent change of station (PCS) orders, but is unable to execute PCS orders as written).

g. **“Retention eligible member”** is defined as a member that meets minimum eligibility criteria outlined in MILPERSMAN 1160-030.

h. **“Improper extension”** is defined as an extension that is executed and subsequently made operative without the member meeting all retention eligibility requirements per MILPERSMAN 1160-030.

**Note:** Members are reminded that an extension which has been determined to be improper is not binding on the Department of the Navy. A member may be separated on the basis of erroneous
extension per MILPERSMAN 1910-130 and or the best interest of the Service per MILPERSMAN 1910-164.

3. **Extension Increments.** All extension agreements are conditional for a specified reason and may be executed in monthly increments of 1 to 23 months. Extensions greater than 23 months are not authorized without NAVPERSCOM (PERS-81) approval.

   a. The enlistment contract cannot be extended for more than 24 aggregate months.

   b. Extension agreements authorized during initial recruit enlistment contracts for 6-year obligation (YO) enlistment programs do not count against the maximum two extensions authorized per enlistment contract. However, these extensions do count against the authorized months of extension per reference (a).

   c. Refer to MILPERSMAN 1160-030 for conditional reenlistment authority when a member cannot meet service obligation of a period less than 2 years by extension due to two or more extensions of 23 total aggregate extension months on current enlistment.

4. **Circumstances Which Make a Sailor Ineligible to Execute an Extension.** The following are conditions for ineligibility:

   a. Sailors in an overmanned rating (by zone). Career Navigator by skill set lists of overmanned ratings by zone are updated monthly by Bureau of Naval Personnel (BUPERS), Enlisted Community Management (BUPERS-32), and may be accessed by using the following Web address: [http://www.public.navy.mil/ BUPERS-NPC/CAREER/CAREERCONSELING/Pages/C-WAY.aspx](http://www.public.navy.mil/BUPERS-NPC/CAREER/CAREERCONSELING/Pages/C-WAY.aspx).

   b. Sailors who are not retention-eligible per MILPERSMAN 1160-030.

   c. Sailors whose enlistment has expired. For conditional reenlistments see MILPERSMAN 1160-030.

   d. Sailors in the Individual Ready Reserve, not in the active status pool (ASP). Members in the ASP must meet all requirements of a member in the Selected Reserve (SELRES).
e. Sailors currently on limited duty (LIMDU) or found not physically qualified for duty at the expiration of enlistment. If the member is retention-eligible, per MILPERSMAN 1160-030 and MILPERSMAN 1306-1200, he or she can voluntarily agree to remain on active duty beyond the expiration of enlistment via a “Retain in Service” event in the Navy Standard Integrated Personnel System (NSIPS). Documentation will be made on NAVPERS 1070/613 Administrative Remarks per MILPERSMAN 1306-1200 and 1160-050. NAVPERS 1070/613 may be accessed by using the following Web address: http://www.public.navy.mil/bupers-npc/reference/forms/NAVPERS/Pages/default.aspx. The member must either reenlist and return to full duty (accounting category code (ACC) 100) or separate upon completion of LIMDU. Further extension of the current enlistment is not authorized because the enlistment (or extended enlistment) has expired. If conditional reenlistment is warranted (e.g., high year tenure (HYT)), refer to MILPERSMAN 1160-030 or refer the case to NAVPERSCOM (PERS-81).

f. A Sailor receiving a graded evaluation of “significant problems” must have one subsequent graded evaluation recommending him or her for promotion and retention.

5. **Commanding Officer (CO) and Officer-In-Charge (OIC) Extension Authority.** COs and OICs may authorize extensions without NAVPERSCOM (PERS-81) approval, as long as they meet the eligibility criteria stipulated in paragraphs 3 and 4, for the following reasons:

a. To match projected rotation date (PRD). Adjust the expiration of obligated service (EAOS) date of a member serving on any tour of duty to coincide with the established PRD. Extension for deployment is not an authorized reason. A PRD adjustment to complete deployment may be made, and the extension reason will be "To extend to PRD." For Sailors whose PRD is beyond completion of deployment, PRD adjustments should only be requested when the Sailor intends to separate after deployment.

b. To obtain maternity care benefits. An extension of enlistment may be executed to obtain maternity care benefits for the following:

   (1) Servicewomen. The member may execute an extension not to exceed 2 months beyond estimated delivery date, provided
member meets all eligibility criteria set forth in MILPERSMAN 1160-030; and or

(2) Spouse. A member whose normal EAOS falls within spouse’s pregnancy may execute an extension not to exceed 2 months beyond the estimated delivery date, provided the member’s services can be used effectively during the period of extension.

c. To obtain obligated service (OBLISERV) required to execute PCS orders or Selected Reserve mobilization and recall orders. Refer to MILPERSMAN 1306-106 for information about OBLISERV in connection with a PCS transfer. Per MILPERSMAN 1306-141, Voluntary Sea Duty Program (VSDP) Sailors are able to defer their Career Waypoints reenlistment (C-WAY-REEN) application window to the minimum OBLISERV required for the orders negotiated as outlined in MILPERSMAN 1306-104. Sailors will not require a C-WAY-REEN application quota to execute a short-term extension in order to accept orders, or extend in place under VSDP, provided they meet C-WAY-REEN criteria. In such cases, detailers and enlisted community managers must make appropriate entries into the Sailor’s Enlisted Active Information System (EAIS) notes section. Refer to reference (c) and the most recent selective reenlistment bonus (SRB) NAVADMIN message for information on the Obligated Service to Train Program.

d. To acquire necessary OBLISERV, as authorized in Navy directives, NAVADMIN, and this manual (e.g., to HYT or Fleet Reserve (FLTRES)/retirement date). Agreements to extend an enlistment to qualify or apply for a specific program are not authorized, unless authorized in respective directive.

(1) Members in receipt of an authorization for transfer to the FLTRES may not extend their enlistment more than 30 days beyond approved FLTRES date without specific approval from NAVPERSCOM, Personnel Performance and Transition Division (PERS-83).

(2) Member’s personnel support detachment or command may execute extensions to obligate those Sailors in receipt of FLTRES transfer authorization without approval from NAVPERSCOM, Active Enlisted Programs Branch (PERS-811). This authorization includes an automatic exception to policy with regard to exceeding two extensions on the current enlistment, and exceeding 24 months of aggregate extensions in the current enlistment, as long as the term of extension does not exceed an
aggregate total of 48 months. Additionally, members may not extend their enlistment more than 30 days beyond their HYT date without specific approval from BUPERS-32. Sailors without an HYT waiver who are extended beyond HYT are to be separated at HYT vice EAOS as extended, (see MILPERSMAN 1160-120). Extensions within 30 days of HYT do not require an HYT waiver. If NSIPS HYT flag prevents release of extension, personnel offices must contact BUPERS-32.

6. **Procedure for Executing Extension**

   a. To execute an extension, use NAVPERS 1070/621 (or automated equivalent), which must be completed and signed by the member and an official authorized per MILPERSMAN 1070-190 prior to the date of expiration of enlistment. Agreements executed subsequent to the date of expiration of enlistment are without legal force and effect.

   b. The following information must be entered into the narrative section of NAVPERS 1070/621 or NAVPERS 1070/622.

   - (1) The reason for the extension (e.g., “To extend to PRD”).

   - (2) The number of this extension on current enlistment or reenlistment (e.g., “This is my second extension”).

   - (3) The following terms of the extension:

   

   "I understand that this extension becomes binding upon execution and may not thereafter be cancelled, except as provided in MILPERSMAN 1160-040."

   - (4) Acknowledgement of potential loss of monetary benefits and the provisions of the SRB Program per reference (c) as follows:

   

   "I have been informed of the provisions of the SRB Program (OPNAVINST 1160.8A) and how the execution of this extension of enlistment may affect my entitlement to monetary benefits for a subsequent reenlistment."

7. **Physical Examination.** Qualification for continued service, either in the Active Component or Reserve Component, to include
full time support (FTS) and SELRES, should be based on the ability of a Service member to perform the functions of his or her rate, rank, or occupational specialty without physical or medical limitations. Per chapter 15 of reference (d), routine periodic physical examinations are no longer required for AC or FTS personnel. Instead, the use of the periodic health assessment, with guidance provided in reference (e), should be used to meet this requirement.

8. **Cancelling an Extension Agreement**

   a. An extension agreement is cancelled by the personnel office completing the cancellation section of NAVPERS 1070/621 or NAVPERS 1070/622, and processing the corresponding NSIPS event.

   b. A valid extension of enlistment that has become operative is not to be cancelled without prior approval from NAVPERSCOM (PERS-81). When an improper extension becomes operative (e.g., the second extension is made operative before the first extension), refer the case to NAVPERSCOM (PERS-81).

   c. When a member reenlists, inoperative extensions are automatically cancelled. The personnel office must not take any action on inoperative extensions upon reenlistment, including SRB and critical skill retention bonus reenlistments. Sailors are required to reenlist beyond the total aggregate months of all inoperative extensions.

   d. COs and OICs must cancel agreements to extend enlistment, prior to operative date, for reasons listed below:

      (1) When a member, through no fault of their own (as defined in paragraph 2f) has not received any of the benefits (e.g., school, accelerated advancement, did not execute PCS orders, or enlistment bonus) for which the extension was executed, cancellation must occur by the day preceding the operative date of the extension. Members whose extensions are cancelled for this reason and desire to continue on active duty may simultaneously execute a new extension or reenlist per appropriate articles in this manual;

      (2) When the member is no longer recommended or eligible for retention. No longer recommended might result from failure to meet the minimum eligibility criteria in MILPERSMAN 1160-030
(to include loss of security clearance). No longer recommended might result from unsatisfactory performance of duty or conduct and, in the opinion of the CO or the OIC, the member lacks career potential. A full statement of the facts must be included in NAVPERS 1070/613 service record entry with notation that the member is not recommended or eligible for reenlistment. Under this paragraph, the CO or OIC cannot cancel an extension that gained a significant benefit (e.g., enlistment bonus, accelerated advancement, PCS order execution, 5/6-Year Obligator Program (5/6-YO), technical school, accompanied overseas tour) or, per reference (f), has an approved physical fitness assessment separation waiver, without obtaining an exception to policy approval authorization; and or

(3) When members attending school on temporary additional duty orders, through no fault of their own (as defined in paragraph 2f), are disenrolled. Cancellation and or adjustment of extension is explained in paragraph 8f(3).

e. When cancellation of an inoperative extension appears meritorious, but the reason is not authorized in paragraph 8d(2) (e.g., significant benefit resulted from the extension), forward NAVPERS 1306/7 Enlisted Personnel Action Request to NAVPERSCOM (PERS-81), include the documents listed below, and ensure handling procedures for e-mail and hardcopy submission are followed as outlined in paragraph 10:

   (1) NAVPERS 1070/881 Training, Education, and Qualification History;

   (2) Related NAVPERS 1070/613 Administrative Remarks;

   (3) Related NAVPERS 1070/621 Agreement to Extend Enlistment; and

   (4) Related NAVCRUIT 1133/52 Enlistment Guarantees. NAVCRUIT 1133/52 may be accessed by using the following Web address: https://navalforms.documentsservices.dla.mil/formsDir/_NAVCRUIT_1133_52_–_EG_10177.pdf

f. Cancellation or adjustments of extensions for school to include training received per MILPERSMAN 1510-030. COs of recruit training centers and service school commands are authorized to cancel or adjust extensions executed for school,
5YO, or scholastic program listed in the remarks section of the agreement to extend enlistment as follows:

(1) Students who, through no fault of their own (as defined in paragraph 2f) are disenrolled prior to class convening date, must have their extension cancelled, provided the extension did not qualify them for another benefit or bonus.

(2) Students who, through no fault of their own (as defined in paragraph 2f) are disenrolled after class convening date, must have their extension adjusted using the OBLISERV for schools chart in MILPERSMAN 1306-604, provided the extension did not qualify them for another benefit or bonus. Such adjustment hereafter will be referred to as payback. Five/six-year obligator (5/6-YO) Sailors will have their extension adjusted using the table in paragraph 8i.

(3) NAVPERSCOM (PERS-81) authorization is required for extension cancellation or adjustment for students who, through no fault of their own (as defined in paragraph 2f), on PCS funded orders, are disenrolled before or after class convening date, and do not have extension(s) cancelled or adjusted prior to transferring from the schoolhouse.

(a) Definition of Instruction Received:

1 For regular students, it is the number of weeks of training actually completed;

2 For accelerated students, it is the number of weeks of classroom seat-time actually used at the time of disenrollment;

3 For repeat, held-over, or temporarily disenrolled students, it is the number of syllabus weeks actually completed in the course; and or

4 Partial weeks are not counted as weeks of instruction received.

(b) Payback Computation Table. For non-5YO/6YO obligator members disenrolled, through no fault of their own (as defined in paragraph 2f), from single "A" or "C" service schools, or consecutive service schools, payback will be
determined by using the active OBLISERV for schools chart in MILPERSMAN 1306-604.

(c) Payback computation table for the 5/6-YO Training Program disenrollees is shown below. This table must only be used for 5/6-YO students disenrolled from training for months of service obligation to be incurred (payback) in return for training. If the table shows a requirement to serve a greater number of months than the original extension, then the original extension remains in effect. The member will execute a new agreement to extend enlistment and or active duty for a period that will provide the payback required for the number of weeks of received training in return for cancellation of the previous extension executed for training.

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(4) Administrative Procedures. COs or OICs will ensure that the new extension agreement is executed, the old extension agreement is cancelled, and the following NAVPERS 1070/613 entry submitted per reference (b):

“My active duty obligation remaining upon disenrollment from (school) has been explained to me per MILPERSMAN 1160-040. I understand that my active duty obligation has been established as (EAOS date).

________________________________
(Member’s signature)

________________________________
(Witnessing officer’s signature)"

9. **Circumstances in Which COs and OICs Do Not Have the Authority to Cancel a Valid Extension**

   a. COs and OICs will not cancel an agreement to extend enlistment under the following conditions:

      (1) Member is found not physically qualified and or LIMDU is anticipated;

      (2) A member is currently on LIMDU (ACC 105), provided member is physically qualified in all respects with exception of the diagnosis in the basic medical board report;

      (3) A member is to be referred to a physical evaluation board for disability proceedings;

      (4) Extension qualified the member for significant benefits as outlined in paragraph 8e;

      (5) Extensions executed prior to a C-WAY disapproval or approval. Members are to serve to their EAOS as extended, except when reasons in paragraph 8 apply;

      (6) Extensions may not be cancelled for failure to pay an enlistment bonus in a timely manner. When the oversight or delay of payment is identified, personnel officers are to promptly make the bonus payment; or
(7) Member becomes pregnant.

b. When COs and OICs do not have authority to cancel extensions of enlistment and early release warrants consideration (e.g., within force shaping initiatives), the member may consider requesting early release from NAVPERSCOM (PERS-832).

10. **Electronic Transmission**

a. All e-mail regarding Navy personnel containing names, social security numbers (SSNs), or other personally identifying information (PII), must be digitally signed and PKI-encrypted. In the event that encryption is not possible, the only other authorized means of electronically transmitting PII is through use of Safe Access File Exchange (SAFE). SAFE may be accessed via the following Web address: [https://safe.amrdec.army.mil/safe/Welcome.aspx](https://safe.amrdec.army.mil/safe/Welcome.aspx).

b. All hard-copy correspondence must be pre-coordinated before mailing to NAVPERSCOM (PERS-81). Correspondence regarding Navy personnel which contains names, SSNs, or other PII must:

   1. Be double wrapped with the inner layer labeled "FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY-PRIVACY SENSITIVE. Any misuse or unauthorized disclosure may result in both civil and criminal penalties;"
   2. Use of DD 2923 “Privacy Act Data Cover Sheet” as appropriate;
   3. Be mailed to only those with an official need to know;
   4. Be sent via a mailing service that can provide tracking information; and
   5. Be handled and destroyed per DoD privacy directives.

11. **Additional information and points of contact are available at the following Web sites:**
http://www.public.navy.mil/bupers-npc/career/personnelconductandseparations/Pages/EnlistedSeparations.aspx