EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL (EOD) OFFICER

1. **Designation**

a. Officers selected for Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Officer training will be re-designated 119X (EOD Trainee).

b. The EOD designation (114X) is applied to all officers who have qualified, through formal training and practical experience, for duty involving

- Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD),
- Diving and Salvage (D & S), and
- Underwater Mine Countermeasures (UMCM).

Navy Personnel Command (NAVPERSCOM), EOD Officer Assignments (PERS-416) will approve designator change to 114X, and make the appropriate entries in the Officer Master File.

2. **Eligibility.** The EOD designation is open as follows:

a. Qualified Limited Duty Officers (LDO), Unrestricted Line (URL), Restricted Line (RL), and Staff Corps (SC) Officers must request a change of designator via the Semiannual Lateral Transfer and Redesignation Board as promulgated by specific NAVADMIN, prior to designation as an EOD Officer (119X/114X). See MILPERSMAN 1212-010 and 1212-020 for procedures.
b. Officers 30 years of age or less as of application receipt date in NAVPERSCOM, except officers with previous enlisted experience, who may receive a waiver (year for year) based on needs of the Navy.

c. Officers meeting medical standards as specified in reference (a), article 15-36. Officers requiring a medical waiver must submit their package via

- their commanding officer (CO), and
- Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (BUMED) (M3F).

Waiver authority for medical standards, as recommended by BUMED, rests with NAVPERSCOM (PERS-416).

3. **Obligated Service (OBLISERV) for Training.** Officers must agree to serve on active duty for a period of 4 years from their graduation date from EOD School. Training attrites will be obligated (month for month) to an extension of their original minimum service requirement (MSR) equal to the number of months of training completed, to be served concurrently with their original obligation.

4. **Application.** Applications requesting a change of designator will be submitted per MILPERSMAN 1212-010 or 1212-020 as appropriate. The following example will be used as an enclosure for all accession and lateral transfer requests: (Use proper letter format.)
From: [Rank, Name, XXX-XX-1234 (last four digits)/Designator]
To: Commander, Navy Personnel Command (PERS-803)
Via: (1) Commanding Officer, [member’s present command]
      (2) Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (M3F)
      {only required for medical waivers}

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Ref: (a) MILPERSMAN 1210-230
     (b) NAVMED P-117, Manual of the Medical Department,
         Article 15-36
     (c) OPNAVINST 1210.5

Encl: (1) DD 2808 (Rev. 10-05), Report of Medical Examination
      (2) DD 2807-1 (Rev. 3-07), Report of Medical History
      (3) Report of EOD Rating Conversion Screening
          (MILPERSMAN 1220-200, Exhibit 2)

1. Per reference (a), I volunteer for the Explosive Ordnance
   Disposal (EOD) Officer program.

2. Per reference (b) and based on the results of a medical
   examination, enclosures (1) and (2); and screening results,
   enclosure (3); I submit my eligibility for training.  [Include
   the following if applicable.]  I request a waiver to the
   following requirements:  [specify requirements which need a
   waiver].

3. I understand the nature of EOD Officer duty, and I agree to:

   a. Serve on active duty for a period of 4 years from my
      graduation date from Naval EOD School.  If I attrite, I will
      be obligated (month for month) to an extension of my original
      minimum service required (MSR) equal to the number of months of
      training completed, to be served concurrently with my original
      obligation, unless released earlier by Navy Personnel Command.

   b. Serve the minimum obligated service (OBLISERV)
      specified, regardless of whether I retain the EOD Officer
      qualification for 4 years.
4. Per reference (c), the following is submitted:

a. I request change of designator to 119X.

b. Date and place of birth.

c. Source of commissioning.

d. Date of original commission.

e. Date and rank (temporary and permanent, if applicable).

f. Date of end of OBLISERV in the present community.

g. Citizenship.

h. Applicants associated with the surface, submarine, special warfare, EOD, and aviation communities shall validate achievement of warfare qualification. The date of qualification and the title of the qualifying officer should be included.

i. Additional information that the applicant feels should be brought to the attention of the selection board. Requests for waiver of any of the eligibility requirements specified in this article shall be thoroughly substantiated.

j. Academic Profile Code (APC). If applicants don’t have an APC on file, they must submit college transcripts with their application.

(Signature)
5. **Application Endorsement.** Endorsement format:  
(Use proper endorsement format.)

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From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commander, Navy Personnel Command (PERS-803)  
Via: Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (M3F)  
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Ref: (d) SECNAVINST 5510.35A

1. Forwarded.

2. [Commanding officer’s recommendation regarding the officer’s suitability for training and subsequent assignment to Explosive Ordnance Disposal billets.]

3. [Statement regarding availability of the officer.]

4. The applicant possesses the necessary mental and emotional stability to assume nuclear weapons duties under the criteria set forth in enclosure (3) to reference (d).

5. A Background Investigation of the applicant has been initiated or completed (as appropriate).

(Signature)

6. **Application Screening**

   a. All applicants must be screened by a qualified screening activity prior to requesting initial training.

   b. A qualified screening activity is any EOD, diving, or training activity whose primary mission is to conduct or train, in EOD or diving operations. A qualified EOD officer will interview volunteers. Additionally, they must successfully complete the physical screening test for EOD per MILPERSMAN
1220-100, Exhibit 1, and a hyperbaric pressure test as described in reference (b). Physical screening test scores are considered to be the applicant’s best effort.

7. Training

   a. Up-to-date course descriptions, prerequisites, class convening dates, and designated training activities for EOD Officer core and billet specialty training are contained in reference (c).

   b. Officers (re)designated EOD Officer Trainee (119X) will first complete EOD/Diver training at Naval Diving and Salvage Training Center (NAVDIVESALVTRACEN). Upon completion of dive training, officers will complete a 40-week Basic EOD course at Naval School, Explosive Ordnance Disposal (NAVSCOLEOD), Eglin Air Force Base, FL. Officers graduating from NAVSCOLEOD will be awarded AQD-KG1 (Basic EOD Officer). Officers will be awarded the 114X designator upon attaining AQD-KG5 (EOD Officer Warfare Qualification).

   c. EOD Officers will not remain in the community without completing the EOD/Diver and Basic EOD courses. Those failing to complete EOD pipeline training will be processed as training attrites.

   d. Officers who voluntarily or involuntarily disenroll from initial training will be made available for reassignment. Administrative action will be taken to cancel the agreement to extend officer service and to determine remaining active duty obligation. Officers who voluntarily disenroll from training must serve a minimum of 1 year prior to reapplying for the same or similar training.

8. Insignia

   a. Authorization to wear EOD warfare insignia is granted to qualified officers holding appropriate designator and qualification codes as defined in reference (d).

   b. Officers designated 114X and possessing AQD-KG5 are authorized to wear the EOD Officer Warfare insignia.

   c. Officers designated 119X will be authorized to wear the Basic EOD Badge upon completion of Basic EOD training.
9. **Requalification**

a. The perishable skills of diving and specialized demolition, which are inherent to the profession, are requirements of all EOD officers. COs are directed to provide every opportunity for EOD officer qualifications to be maintained in the proper proficiency and periodicity.

b. Diving, parachuting, and demolition requalification will be conducted per MILPERSMAN 1220-260, 1220-030, and 1220-280, respectively.

10. **Supervisory Status.** There are limited situations where personnel are unable to meet the physical standards for EOD Officer duties to include diving, parachute, and demolition operations, through no fault or lack of diligence on the officer’s part. In these few cases, officers whose significant EOD experience is of continued value to the Navy, may apply for “Supervisory Status” designation and remain in the EOD community.

a. **Eligibility.** Personnel must be

- a qualified Explosive Ordnance Disposal Officer (AQD KG5),
- remain qualified for sea duty and
- hold a supervisory qualification for the duty involved.

b. **Request Designation.** Officers may request designation for supervisory status by submitting a request letter via their CO and Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (BUMED), to NAVPERSCOM (PERS-416). Requests shall contain the following:

(1) Results of the most recent diving physical examination as enclosure (1).

(2) A brief synopsis of previous supervisory qualifications and copies of current qualification letters as enclosure (2).
c. **Designation.** NAVPERSCOM (PERS 416) will adhere to the specifications listed in MILPERSMAN Article 1220-200 when approving/disapproving the request.