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NAVAL ASTRONAUT DESIGNATION

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References	(a) BUPERSINST 1401.4D (b) NAVPERS 15665I, U.S. Navy Uniform Regulations
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1. **Policy**. Officers meeting the qualifications for **Naval Astronaut (Pilot)** or **Naval Astronaut (Specialist)** may be designated by Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) and/or Commandant of the Marine Corps (CMC), as appropriate.

2. **Qualifications**. Naval Astronaut qualifications for Pilots and Specialists are:

a. Naval and Marine officers trained, qualified, and certified to

- fly (pilots) a powered vehicle designed for flight above 50 miles from the earth's surface, and/or
- serve as a mission specialist on a powered vehicle designed for flight above 50 miles from the earth's surface

as defined by CNO (see reference (a)) and/or CMC, as appropriate.

b. Have completed a minimum of one flight as a pilot or mission specialist on an extraterrestrial vehicle in a flight above 50 miles from the earth's surface.

3. **Insignia**. Designation specified above carries the authorization to wear the

- Naval Astronaut insignia (Pilot), or
- Naval Astronaut (Navy Flight Officer (NFO)) insignia (Specialist)

prescribed in reference (b) and/or by the CMC.