

MILPERSMAN 1212-020

REDESIGNATION PROCEDURES FOR LIMITED DUTY OFFICERS (LDO) AND CHIEF WARRANT OFFICERS (CWO) WITHIN THEIR RESPECTIVE COMMUNITY

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Reference	(a) OPNAVINST 1210.5A
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1. Policy

a. This article is applicable to all limited duty officers (LDO) and chief warrant officers (CWO) of the Regular Navy and Navy Reserve, both on active and inactive duty.

b. Requests for redesignation will not normally be approved until after the initial 3-year obligation has been served in the designator in which originally appointed:

(1) Regular permanent and temporary LDOs may request redesignation to the Unrestricted Line, Restricted Line, or Staff Corps per reference (a) and [MILPERSMAN 1212-030](#).

(2) Temporary Regular and Reserve CWOs desiring permanent appointment in the Regular Navy may apply for such permanent appointment per [MILPERSMAN 1426-010](#).

2. Procedures

a. Applications for redesignation within LDO or CWO designators must be submitted in proper letter format to the Bureau of Naval Personnel (BUPERS), LDO/CWO Branch (BUPERS-319) for all officers on active duty and to Navy Personnel Command (NAVPERSCOM), Reserve Personnel Management Department (PERS-9) for reservists. Requests for change of designator should contain the following:

- (1) designator for which application is made;
- (2) qualification for requested designator;
- (3) date of original commission or appointment;
- (4) date of rank (current grade);

(5) agreement to remain on active duty for a period of 2 years following redesignation or for Reserve officers an agreement to remain in the Ready Reserve for a minimum of 2 years; and

(6) Any additional information that the applicant feels should be brought to the attention of the selection board.

b. Upon receiving applications from LDOs and CWOs, commanding officers must initiate a review of the applicant's health record by competent medical authority. Based on this review, the CO must state in the forwarding endorsement whether the officer is physically qualified. A statement identifying overweight applicants and indicating their height and weight must be included. The request should be submitted with supporting medical documentation, if the officer is in a limited duty status or is considered in any other way physically unfit for unrestricted duty. The CO's forwarding endorsement must contain comments relative to the applicant's motivation and qualifications for redesignation.