

MILPERSMAN 1220-020

NAVAL AIRCREW WARFARE SPECIALIST (NAWS) DESIGNATION

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References	(a) BUPERSINST 1326.4E
	(b) NAVEDTRA 43437, Personnel Qualification Standard for Naval Aircrew Warfare Specialist (NAWS) Common Core
	(c) CNAF M-3710.7
	(d) NAVPERS 18068F, Manual of Navy Enlisted Manpower and Personnel Classifications and Occupations Standards
	(e) NAVPERS 15665I, U.S. Navy Uniform Regulations

1. **General Enrollment Requirements.** General enrollment procedures for naval aircrew warfare specialist (NAWS) designation are:

a. Be qualified as a crew member per reference (a) and [MILPERSMAN 1220-010](#)

b. Must be in one of the eligible aircrew source ratings: AWF, AWO, AWR, AWS, AWV, CTI, CTT, HM, CS, and MC per [MILPERSMAN 1220-010](#)

c. Be assigned in a duty involving flying crew (DIFCREW) status or duty in a flying status not involving flying (DIFDEN)

2. **Procedures for NAWS Designation**

a. Commanding officers (CO) of aviation units, to include unmanned aerial vehicle commands, may award NAWS designations after ensuring criteria within this article and references (a) through (c) have been met. This authority may not be delegated. Per reference (a), a NAWS designation letter is prepared and

presented to the Service member when the NAWS insignia is awarded.

b. Only active Service members, on and after 1 July 1997, are eligible for certificates of designation. Designation may not be awarded retroactively.

3. **Revocation of NAWS Designation.** COs must revoke the NAWS designation from any Service member permanently removed from flying status per reference (a). Service members who are permanently disqualified from flying solely due to medical reasons will lose their NAWS designation, but retain the eligibility to wear the NAWS breast insignia. Any Service member temporarily removed from flying status will also lose their NAWS designation, but retain the eligibility to wear the NAWS breast insignia. All Service members losing their NAWS designation or eligibility to wear the NAWS breast insignia must be counseled by their CO regarding their specific Service member status.

4. **Reinstatement of Service Member Designation.** If a previously designated Service member is reinstated to duties involving flying, per reference (a), the Service member may apply for reinstatement of NAWS designation and eligibility to wear the NAWS breast insignia. Command-endorsed requests for reinstatement of the NAWS designation or right to wear the NAWS breast insignia are forwarded for review per reference (a). Service members may not wear the insignia until approval is received.

5. **Administrative Procedures**

a. When a Service member qualifies as a naval aircrewman, a permanent entry is made on [NAVPERS 1070/613](#) Administrative Remarks in NSIPS enlisted service record (ESR) and official military personnel file (OMPF) indicating the:

- (1) date of qualification,
- (2) type of aircraft in which qualification was received,
- (3) authorization from the Chief of Naval Personnel for awarding the NAWS designation, and
- (4) authorization to wear the NAWS breast insignia.

In all reports, records, or other correspondence concerning active NAWS qualified individuals, the naval aircrew warfare (NAC) designator must be included after the title or rate in the following manner "AWSC(NAC)." When spoken or addressed, the short title NAC will be referred to as aircrew warfare (e.g., AWO2(NAC) John Smith will be naval aircrewman operator second class, aircrew warfare, John Smith.) Correspondence concerning an inactive aircrewman does not require this identification.

b. When a Service member is disqualified from aircrew duty, a permanent entry must be made on [NAVPERS 1070/613](#) stating the reason for disqualification and rescinding of authorization to wear the NAWS breast insignia, except in the case of physical disqualification. The NAC designator must be cancelled and a personal diary entry to that effect must be made as follows:

"CH designator to NONE."

c. The assignment or removal of Navy enlisted classifications are made per references (a) and (d).

d. Proper entry of qualification or disqualification is made on special duty abstracts of the health record at the time of original physical examination and annual reexaminations thereafter. COs must be informed of the results of all physical examinations.

6. **ESR Entries**. The following permanent [NAVPERS 1070/613](#) ESR entries are used in conjunction with various requirements of the NAWS Program:

a.

"[DATE]: I, [Service member's name], volunteer for duty involving flying, and understand that I must maintain those qualifications specified by the Chief of Naval Operations and the Chief of Naval Personnel during the periods that I am actively assigned to such duties. This agreement must remain valid until such time as it is rescinded by me or that I am no longer qualified for such duties."

[Service member's Signature]

Witnessed:

b.

"[DATE]: I, [Service member's name] have been suspended from duty involving flying as a crewmember effective [DATE]. Authority: [fill-in]."

[Service member's Signature]

Witnessed:

c.

"[DATE]: [Service member's name] has been suspended from duty involving flying as a crewmember effective [date]. Revocation procedures initiated per BUPERSINST 1326.4E."

[Service member's Signature]

Witnessed:

d.

"[DATE]: [Service member's name] removed from duty involving flying as a crewmember effective [date]. Authority: [fill-in]."

[Service member's Signature]

Witnessed:

e.

"[DATE]: I, [Service member's name] no longer volunteer for duty involving flying. I fully understand that I am not eligible for requalification in the Aircrew Program on this or subsequent enlistments, and as a result of this disqualification, I am subject to reassignment."

[Service member's Signature]

Witnessed:

f.

"[DATE]: [Service member's name] is disqualified from duties involving flying by reason of [medical, nonvolunteer, performance, cause - specify]. Authority: [fill-in]."

[Signature of commanding officer]

[May not be signed by direction.]

g.

"[DATE]: [Service member's name], having been disqualified from duty involving flying, has been advised of [MILPERSMAN 1220-020](#), NAWS designator is hereby cancelled, authorization to wear the NAWS breast insignia has been rescinded (except for disqualification due to medical reasons), Service member NECs have been recommended for removal, rating conversion procedures initiated per [MILPERSMAN 1440-010](#) (for AW personnel only), and must be subject to reassignment due to such disqualification."

[May be signed by direction]

[NOTE: Adjustments to the above entry should be made based on the type of disqualification].

h.

"[DATE]: Per BUPERSINST 1326.4E, you are hereby provided advance notification of flight pay termination on or about [date] as a result of (Reason - i.e., permanent change of station transfer, billet deletion, etc.)."

[Authenticating Officer]

i.

"[DATE]: I, [Service member's name], have been advised this date of my flight pay termination effective [date] as a result of [reason]. This notification was provided per BUPERSINST 1326.4E."

[Service member's Signature]

7. **ESR Entries for Reenlistment.** The following permanent [NAVPERS 1070/613](#) entries must be carried forward on reenlistment of NAC as appropriate:

a.

"[DATE]: [Service member's name] volunteered for duty involving flying."

[Service member's Signature]

Witnessed:

b.

"[DATE]: Awarded designation as naval aircrew warfare specialist.
Authority [fill-in]."

[Service member's Signature]

Witnessed:

c.

"[DATE]: [Service member's name] was disqualified from duty involving
flying as a result of [reason]."

[Service member's Signature]

Witnessed:

d.

"[DATE]: [Service member's name] has accumulated the following hours
of training and operational flying total to date [fill-in]."

[Service member's Signature]

Witnessed:

8. **ESR Entry After Ground or Flight Training.** Upon successful completion of a ground or flight training course or syllabus, NAVPERS 1070/881 Training Education ESR entry and Qualification History must be made indicating the following:

- a. Date of completion of course
- b. Title and or identification number of course or syllabus
- c. Type of equipment or aircraft (include flight hours)