

MILPERSMAN 1220-050

ENLISTED SURFACE WARFARE SPECIALIST (ESWS) DESIGNATION

Responsible Office	CNO (N861C)	Phone:	DSN	222-4610
			COM	(703) 692-4610
			FAX	222-4635

References	(a) NAVPERS 15665I, U.S. Navy Uniform Regulations (b) OPNAVINST 1414.1D
-------------------	--

1. **Policy.** Enlisted members may voluntarily obtain Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist (ESWS) qualification while assigned to a surface ship or afloat staff.
2. **Authority to Wear the Insignia.** Achievement of qualification entitles the member to wear the ESWS insignia per reference (a), and to use the Surface Warfare designation. The Surface Warfare designation is an "SW" placed in parentheses immediately after the member's rate abbreviation, i.e., MM3(SW), BMCS(SW).
3. **Updating the Service Record.** When a member has been qualified as an Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist, an entry shall be made in the member's service record NAVPERS 1070/613 (Rev. 7-06), Administrative Remarks as follows:

"(Date) Qualified as an Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist (ESWS) this date and assigned the Enlisted Surface Warfare (SW) designator."

4. **Updating the Evaluation.** Once qualification has been approved, relevant comments should be made in the member's next evaluation.
5. **Disqualification.** An enlisted member previously qualified shall be disqualified by an appropriate qualifying officer if that member fails to continue to meet the requirements set forth in reference (b). Formal notification of disqualification shall

be recorded in the member's service record NAVPERS 1070/613 as follows:

"(Date) Failed to maintain qualification as an Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist (ESWS) in that (include specific rationale for disqualification). Member has been informed that as of this date (he or she) is disqualified and is no longer authorized to wear the ESWS insignia or use the Enlisted Surface Warfare (SW) designator."

6. **Wearing EAWS Insignia**

a. Achievement of qualification entitles the member to wear the Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialist (EAWS) insignia prescribed in reference (a), and to use the Aviation Warfare designation. The Aviation Warfare designation is an "AW," placed in parentheses immediately after the member's rate abbreviation, i.e., AD3(AW), AMHC(AW).

b. An EAWS qualified individual shall use "(AW)" after the rating title.

7. **Updating Service Records**

a. When members have qualified as Aviation Warfare Specialist, an entry will be made in their service record as follows:

"(Date) Qualified as an Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialist (EAWS) this date and assigned the EAWS (AW) designator."

b. Once qualification has been approved, relevant comments should be made in the member's next evaluation.

c. Members, once notified of their disqualification, shall have the specifics of this action entered in their service records with appropriate comments entered in the next periodic evaluation as follows:

"(Date) Failed to maintain qualification of an Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialist (EAWS) by (include specific rationale for disqualification). Member has been informed that, as of this date, he/she is disqualified and is no longer authorized to wear the EAWS insignia or use the (AW) designator as part of his/her rating."

8. **Requalification.** Requalification shall be per reference (b) as though disqualification had not occurred.