ENLISTED SPECIAL WARFARE OPERATOR (SEAL) DESIGNATION

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References

(a) NAVPERS 15665I, U.S. Navy Uniform Regulations

1. **Policy.** Special Warfare Operators (SEAL) shall obtain the Enlisted Special Warfare Operator (SEAL) designator as outlined in MILPERSMAN 1220-300.

2. **Updating the Service Record.** When a member has been qualified as a Special Warfare Operator, an entry shall be made in the member’s service record on NAVPERS 1070/613 (Rev. 7-06), Administrative Remarks as follows:

   “(Date) Qualified as a Special Warfare Operator (SEAL) this date and assigned the (SEAL) designator.”

3. **Updating the Evaluation.** Once qualification has been approved, relevant comments should be made in the member’s next evaluation.

4. **Authority to Wear the Insignia.** Achievement of qualification entitles the member to wear the SEAL insignia per reference (a), and to use the SEAL designation. The Special Warfare Operator designation is the acronym “SEAL” placed in parentheses immediately after the member’s rate abbreviation, i.e., SO2(SEAL).

   a. Members whose Navy Enlisted Classification(s) (NEC(s)) is/are removed for disciplinary and/or
administrative action per MILPERSMAN 1220-300 are no longer authorized to wear the insignia.

b. Members who voluntarily remove their NEC(s) will not be authorized to wear the insignia.

c. Members whose NEC(s) is/are involuntarily removed as a result of a permanent physical disqualification are authorized to wear the insignia if recommended by member's commanding officer (CO) and approved by Bureau of Naval Personnel (BUPERS), SPECWAR Enlisted Community Manager (BUPERS-324).

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 MILPERSMAN 1220-300. Formal notification of disqualification shall be recorded in the member’s service record on NAVPERS 1070/613 (Rev. 7-06), Administrative Remarks as follows:

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(Date) Failed to maintain qualification as a Special Warfare Operator (SEAL) by (include specifics for disqualification). Member has been informed that, as of this date, he/she is disqualified and is no longer authorized to wear the SEAL insignia or use the (SEAL) designator as part of his/her rate.
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Members, once notified of their disqualification, shall have the appropriate comments entered in the next periodic evaluation.