Department of Defense Directive

SUBJECT: Assignment to Joint Tours of Duty


A. REISSUANCE AND PURPOSE

This directive reissues reference (a) to clarify the requirement for active duty officers to serve a tour of duty with a Joint, Combined, Allied, Unified command or staff, a Defense Agency, or the Office of the Secretary of Defense, hereafter referred to as a joint tour, to qualify for promotion to the grade of brigadier general or rear admiral (Navy).

B. APPLICABILITY

The provisions of this directive apply to the Office of the Secretary of Defense and the Military Departments. As used herein, the term "Military Services" refers to the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

C. POLICY

A joint tour assignment is essential to the optimum performance of higher command duties. Such assignments require not only the highest caliber of staff work but also an appreciation of the many other factors involved and the capacity to work in harmony with other nations and staffs and agencies of our Government.

D. PROCEDURES

1. All officers, except those covered by subsection D.2, will be required to serve at least one joint tour while in the grade of major/lieutenant commander, lieutenant colonel/commander, or colonel/captain before being considered qualified for
promotion to general or flag officer grade. The following duty shall be considered as a qualifying joint tour for purposes of this directive:

a. Qualifying duty

(1) Office of the Secretary of Defense

(2) Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

(3) Joint, Combined, Allied or Unified Command or Staff

(4) Department of Defense Agency

(5) Other U. S. Governmental Agencies

(6) MAAG/Mission/MILGRP

(7) Exchange tour with an allied foreign armed service or other U. S. Military Service. (Note: Attendance as a student at a Service, joint, or foreign school of itself will not be considered as satisfying this requirement.)

b. Waivers

In recognition of the limited number of qualifying billets available and the necessity of integrating this requirement within the assignment pattern of field grade officers and general/flag officers with individual service requirements, Military Department Secretaries may grant a waiver of the subject requirement on a case-by-case basis.

(1) Waivers may be granted when, in the judgment of the Military Department Secretary, an individual has performed the equivalent of a joint tour in one of the following assignments:

(a) Liaison Staff (assignments with another Military Service involving operations, plans, communications, intelligence or logistics).

(b) In-service positions in which significant interdepartmental interface and liaison, involving above staff functions, are conducted on a routine basis.

(2) Waivers may also be granted to individuals on a case-by-case basis, when the equivalent of a joint tour has not been completed; however, such individuals will be assigned to a qualifying joint tour on their next assignment.
2. The joint tour requirement is established for all officers selected for promotion to the grade of brigadier general and rear admiral, except:

a. Officers of the medical services of the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

b. Chaplains of the Military Services.


d. Officers whose proposed advancement and qualifications for promotion are based primarily upon restricted utilization, for which a requirement does not exist at the Joint, Unified, Combined, DoD Agency, or OSD level. An explanatory statement of the nature of the restricted utilization will accompany the nomination of officers in this category.

e. Officers whose proposed advancement and qualifications for promotion are based primarily upon scientific and technical achievement, and their proposed utilization will be in that specialty. An explanatory statement of the nature of the specialty will accompany the nomination of officers in this category.

3. For those officers (other than chaplains, physicians, dentists, and veterinarians) excepted above, such joint tours are nonetheless considered highly desirable as a qualification for promotion.

E. RESPONSIBILITIES

1. In forwarding to the Secretary of Defense the recommendations of selection boards for the promotion of officers to the grade of brigadier general or rear admiral, the Secretaries of the Military Departments shall include:

a. A notation of individuals for whom waivers were granted under paragraph D.1.b. and justification for the waiver.

b. A statement for the officer(s) granted a waiver under paragraph D.1.b.(2) that the officer(s) will be assigned to a qualifying tour specified in paragraph D.1.a. upon completion of the current tour. Any exception to this latter requirement must be specifically authorized by the Secretary of Defense.
2. The Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower, Reserve Affairs, and Logistics) shall have oversight responsibility for interdepartmental consistency in complying with this directive.

F. EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION

This directive is effective immediately. Forward one copy of each implementing document to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (MRA&L) within 120 days.

Harold Brown
Secretary of Defense
INSTRUCTIONS FOR RECIPIENTS

The following changes to DoD Directive 1320.5, "Assignment to Joint Tours of Duty," July 26, 1978, have been authorized:

PEN CHANGES:

Page 1
Section A, line 7. Change to read, "brigadier general or commodore (Navy)."

Page 3
Subsection D.2., line 3. Change to read, "general and commodore, except:
Subsection E.1., lines 3 and 4. Change to read, "of officers to the grade of brigadier general or commodore, the Secretaries of the Military Departments shall ..." Changes are underlined.

EFFECTIVE DATE

The above changes are effective immediately.

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR RECIPIENTS

Pen changes to the following DoD Issuances are authorized:

**DoD Issuance Number and Date**                               **Change Number**

**DoD Instruction 1000.15, September 22, 1978**                **Change 2**
Section H.
Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
Lines 1 through 3. Delete "Forward two copies of
implementing regulations to the Assistant Secretary of
Defense (Manpower, Reserve Affairs and Logistics) within
120 days."

**DoD Directive 1020.1, March 31, 1982**                        **Change 1**
Section H.
Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
Lines 1 through 3. Delete "Forward one copy of
implementing documents to the Assistant Secretary of
Defense (Manpower, Reserve Affairs, and Logistics) within
120 days."

**DoD Directive 1205.5, May 16, 1980**                           **Change 1**
Section F.
Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
Lines 1 through 3. Delete "Forward one copy of
implementing documents to the Assistant Secretary of
Defense (Manpower, Reserve Affairs, and Logistics) within
120 days."
DoD Issuance Number and Date

DoD Instruction 1205.12, January 15, 1969
Section VI.
Heading. Delete “AND IMPLEMENTATION”
Lines 1 through 4. Delete “Two (2) copies of implementing
instructions issued by the Military Departments shall be
furnished to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (M&RA)
within sixty (60) days.”

DoD Directive 1205.14, November 11, 1974 (Reprint)
Section IV.
Heading. Delete “AND IMPLEMENTATION”
Lines 1 through 4. Delete “Two copies of implementing
documents shall be forwarded to the Assistant Secretary
of Defense (Manpower and Reserve Affairs) within 90 days.”

DoD Directive 1205.17, June 20, 1985
Section F.
Heading. Delete “AND IMPLEMENTATION”
Lines 1 through 3. Delete “Forward two copies of
implementing documents to the Assistant Secretary of
Defense (Reserve Affairs) within 120 days.”

DoD Directive 1215.13, June 30, 1979
Section G.
Heading. Delete “AND IMPLEMENTATION”
Lines 1 through 4. Delete “Forward two copies of
implementing documents to the Assistant Secretary of
Defense (Manpower, Reserve Affairs, and Logistics) within
120 days for review and approval prior to issuance.”

DoD Directive 1215.14, February 4, 1975
Section IV.
Heading. Delete “AND IMPLEMENTATION”
Subsection B. Delete in its entirety.

DoD Directive 1304.23, February 15, 1984
Section G.
Heading. Delete “AND IMPLEMENTATION”
Lines 1 through 3. Delete “Forward one copy of
implementing documents to the Assistant Secretary of
Defense (Manpower, Installations, and Logistics) within
120 days.”
DoD Issuance Number and Date

DoD Directive 1312.2, October 4, 1989
Section G.
Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
Lines 2 through 4. Delete "Forward two copies of implementing documents to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs) within 120 days."

DoD Directive 1320.5, July 26, 1978
Section F.
Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
Lines 1 through 3. Delete "Forward one copy of each implementing document to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (MRA&L) within 120 days."

DoD Instruction 1322.20, March 14, 1991
Section H.
Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
Lines 1 through 3. Delete "Forward two copies of implementing documents to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Force Management and Personnel) within 120 days."

DoD Directive 1325.6, September 12, 1969
Section IV.
Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
Lines 1 through 3. Delete "Two (2) copies of implementing regulations shall be forwarded to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower and Reserve Affairs) within ninety (90) days."

DoD Instruction 1330.7, April 26, 1974
Section V.
Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
Lines 1 through 3. Delete "Two copies of implementing instructions shall be forwarded to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower, Reserve Affairs and Logistics) within 60 days."

DoD Directive 1338.5, August 13, 1980
Section F.
Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
Lines 1 through 3. Delete "Forward two copies of implementing documents to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower, Reserve Affairs, and Logistics) within 120 days."
DoD Issuance Number and Date

DoD Directive 1344.3, February 1, 1978
Section D.
  Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
  Lines 1 through 3. Delete "Forward two copies of implementing regulations to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower, Reserve Affairs, and Logistics) within 60 days."

DoD Instruction 1400.10, December 5, 1980
Section F.
  Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
  Lines 1 through 3. Delete "Forward one copy of implementing documents to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower, Reserve Affairs, and Logistics) within 120 days."

DoD Instruction 1400.11, February 8, 1980
Section D.
  Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
  Lines 1 through 3. Delete "Forward one copy of implementing documents to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower, Reserve Affairs, and Logistics) within 120 days."

DoD Directive 1400.13, July 8, 1976
Section VI.
  Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
  Lines 1 through 3. Delete "Two copies of implementing regulations shall be forwarded to the ASD(M&RA) within 60 days."

DoD Directive 1400.16, October 30, 1970
Section VIII.
  Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
  Paragraph B. Delete in its entirety.

DoD Directive 1400.25, January 24, 1978
Section E.
  Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
  Lines 1 through 3. Delete "Forward two copies of implementing documents to the ASD(MRA&L) and one copy to the ASD(C) within 60 days."

DoD Instruction 1400.32, January 15, 1987
Section G.
  Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
  Lines 1 through 3. Delete "Forward two copies of implementing documents to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Force Management and Personnel) within 60 days."
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| DoD Instruction 1412.3, December 8, 1971 | Change 2      |
| Section V.                              |               |
| Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"    |               |
| Lines 1 through 4. Delete "Two copies of each implementing document will be forwarded to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower and Reserve Affairs) within ninety (90) days." |               |

| DoD Instruction 1416.4, March 4, 1963  | Change 2      |
| Section VIII.                          |               |
| Heading. Change "IMPLEMENTATION" to "EFFECTIVE DATE" Subsection A. Delete in its entirety. Subsection B. Redesignate paragraph "B." as paragraph "A." |               |

| DoD Instruction 1416.8, December 5, 1980 | Change 1      |
| Section E.                              |               |
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| DoD Instruction 1418.2, May 5, 1969     | Change 4      |
| Section VII.                            |               |
| Heading. Delete "IMPLEMENTATION AND"    |               |
| Lines 1 through 4. Delete "Two copies of implementing instructions and revisions thereto will be furnished to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower and Reserve Affairs) within 60 days." |               |

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**INSTRUCTIONS FOR RECIPIENTS (continued)**
DoD Issuance Number and Date

DoD Instruction 1422.1, October 31, 1967 (Reprint)
  Section VI.
  Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
  Lines 1 through 4. Delete "Two copies of implementing regulations issued by the DoD components will be forwarded to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) within 90 days."

DoD Instruction 1424.3, January 28, 1980
  Section E.
  Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
  Lines 1 through 3. Delete "Forward one copy of implementing documents to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower, Reserve Affairs, and Logistics) within 120 days."

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DoD Directive 1430.4, January 30, 1985
  Section E.
  Heading. Delete "AND IMPLEMENTATION"
  Lines 1 through 3. Delete "Forward two copies of implementing documents to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower, Installations, and Logistics) within 120 days."

EFFECTIVE DATE

The above pen changes are effective immediately. Although the pen changes remove the requirement for DoD Components to issue implementing documents, the DoD issuances are directly applicable to all elements with the Components and the Heads of the DoD Components are responsible for carrying out the DoD guidance.

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