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BUPERS NOTICE 1440

From: Chief of Naval Personnel
To: All Ships and Stations (less Marine Corps field addressees not having Navy personnel attached)

Subj: Ocean Systems Technician (OT) Rating (Occupational Group I); establishment of

Ref: (a) Manual of Qualifications for Advancement, NAVPERS 18068B
(b) Manual of Navy Enlisted Classifications, NAVPERS 15105 series

Encl: (1) Brief Sheet (detach and utilize as appropriate, then destroy)

1. Purpose. To announce the establishment of the Ocean Systems Technician (OT) rating.

2. Background. The Secretary of the Navy has approved the establishment of the Ocean Systems Technician (OT) rating as follows:

a. General rating for petty officer third class through master chief petty officer.

b. Normal path of advancement is to Warrant Officer 766X (Electronics Technician) or 714X (Operations Technician) and Limited Duty Officer 640X (Electronics) or 601X (Operations).

3. Scope of the Rating. The scope of the Ocean Systems Technician (OT) rating will be promulgated as a classified supplement to reference (a).

4. Initial Input of Personnel into the OT Rating

a. Sonar technicians (ST) presently coded with NEC ST-0411/0000 will be automatically considered for conversion to OT (0000/0000) by the Chief of Naval Personnel.

b. The following personnel may request conversion to the OT rating:

(1) Sonar technicians (ST) coded with NEC ST-0411/04XX.

(2) Electronics technicians (ET) coded with NEC ET-1565.

c. Eligible sonar technicians and electronics technicians mentioned in subparagraph b above not requesting conversion to OT will remain in their current ratings. NEC's will be removed automatically by the Chief of Naval Personnel.

d. ST-0411/04XX and ET-1565 personnel desiring conversion to Ocean Systems Technician shall submit an Enlisted Transfer and Special Duty Request, NAVPERS 1306/7 to the Chief of Naval Personnel (Pers-B223) prior to 1 July 1970. Comments and recommendations of the commanding officer are required.

e. Requests for conversion from personnel other than those coded ST-0411/04XX or ET-1565 are not desired.

f. A listing of personnel authorized conversion to OT will be promulgated by a BUPERS Notice in August 1970.

5. Pertinent Information

a. **Effective Date.** The effective date of implementation of the OT rating will be 1 September 1970.

b. **Advancements.** Initial examinations for advancement within the OT rating will be conducted commencing with the February 1971 Navy-wide examinations.

c. **Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) Codes.** The "S" edition of reference (b) will promulgate applicable OT NEC's.

d. **Qualifications for Advancement.** Qualifications for advancement for Ocean Systems Technicians will be promulgated as a classified supplement to reference (a).

e. **Manpower Authorizations.** OPNAV 1000/2 for activities having requirements for the OT rating will be revised automatically by the Chief of Naval Operations. No action is required of commanding officers.

f. **School.** Class "A" OT training will be conducted at the Fleet Sonar School, Key West, Florida.

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g. Proficiency Pay. The addition of the OT rating to the Proficiency Pay Eligibility List has been recommended to the Secretary of Defense.

h. Rating Badge. Proposed designs for the OT rating badge have been solicited by the Chief of Naval Personnel. It is anticipated that an approved rating badge will be available in September 1970.

i. Distribution Control. The Chief of Naval Personnel (Pers-B2162) will have distribution control of the OT rating.

6. Cancellation. This Notice is canceled on 30 September 1970.

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WANT TO BE ONE OF THE FIRST - in the newly established "Ocean Systems Technician" rating?

Effective 1 September 1970 the OT rating will be added to the list of general ratings for petty officer third class through master chief petty officer.

Sonar technicians presently coded with NEC ST-0411/0000 will be automatically considered for conversion to OT.

Sonar technicians coded ST-0411/04XX and electronics technicians coded ET-1565 may request conversion to OT prior to 1 July 1970.

Regretfully, requests for conversion to OT from personnel other than mentioned above are not desired.

Check with your personnel office for full particulars.

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