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Navy Waives Advancement Exams For Select GWOT Sailors

NAVADMIN 336/07 provides guidance for administering Navywide advancement exams to Sailors who are deploying, deployed to or returning from operations in Iraq, Afghanistan or the Horn of Africa.

NAVADMIN 336/07 replaces the previous NAVADMIN 139/07, which also affected Sailors' ability to take advancement exams while in these regions.

Some of the guidance listed in the new message include:

- All chief and limited duty officer candidates who are eligible, meet the requirements of the new message and have the commanding officer's approval are waived from the advancement examination. NAVADMIN 139/07 did not include candidates going up for board for their first time.

- Sailors who are within 60 days of a pending deployment to these regions may request an early examination if eligible. An early exam for E-4 to E-6 may be requested and administered if the deployment date falls within a three-calendar month window prior to the month of exam administration.

The NAVADMIN also provides detailed instructions for E-4 to E-6 candidates in theatre who are unable to participate in an advancement exam. It should be read in its entirety due to the specifics.

For more information read NAVADMIN 336/07 or visit the Navy Personnel Command Web site at www.npc.navy.mil.

