



Career progression, community management, personnel matters, and general information from the desk of the Navy Personnel Command, Force Master Chief, FORCM Jon Port

No More GSAs!

GSA or (Global War on Terrorism Support Assignments) for enlisted personnel has now been replaced by OSA or (Overseas Contingency Operations Support Assignments). The goal of this change is to minimize the impact of IAs on fleet readiness, remove complexity and improve family readiness. Here are a few of the OSA changes taking place:

- * **No more PCS moves.**
- * **Sailors who volunteer for an OSA will receive TEMADD orders.**
- * **Upon completion of the OSA, Sailors return to their current commands for post deployment screening, leave and subsequent transfer to their next duty assignment.**
- * **There will be no more purple/GSA type billets on CMS/ID.**
- * **Sailors interested in applying for OSA billets will have to change their preferences in CMS (this is done on the Special Programs section of the Duty preference tab). Anyone interested in applying for an OSA billet must have PTS approval and at least 13 months remaining until their EAOS.**

E-Leave For the Holidays

With the holiday season just around the corner, Sailors are reminded about the ease of using the new electronic leave (E-Leave) system. E-Leave allows Sailors to electronically submit leave chits through their chain-of-command for approval, replacing the traditional paper leave form. It also offers commands automated leave log management, ensuring pay and entitlements are properly accounted for with the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS). All shore commands, Personnel Support Detachments, and Command Administrators were required to be fully integrated no later than Nov. 1. Sailors, reviewers and approvers can access E-Leave through Common Access Card (CAC) log-in to the Navy Standard Integrated Personnel System at <https://nsips.nmci.navy.mil>.

Perform To Serve Update

The word on PTS is getting out. On average, about 9,600 applications per month were received, but since the merger of Fleet Ride with PTS in October, over 13,000 applications were received. November is off to a good start with 65 percent of November PTS applications already in the system. Under the new rules, five evals are considered, so counsel your Sailors during CDBs and mentorship sessions that performance matters. We had a few bumps when PTS and Fleet Ride merged...but we're working through them and already seeing the benefits. See [NAVADMIN 352/10](#) for more information.

Navy Working Uniform Clothing Replacement Allowance

According to [NAVADMIN 358/10](#), active component, Full Time Support and National Call to Service Sailors who entered recruit training between Oct. 1, 2007 and Sept. 30, 2008 will receive a one-time CRA of \$368.19. Affected Sailors who entered recruit training between Oct. 1, 2008 and April 26, 2009 will receive a one-time CRA of \$524.35. Payments will begin as early as Nov. 15, 2010. Sailors can go to BUPERS On Line (BOL) and click on "Navy Working Uniform One-time Targeted Clothing Replacement Allowance Information" to confirm whether they will receive the payment. Sailors who entered recruit training between the specified dates, but do not have a pending payment reflected in their BOL account, should contact the NPC customer service center. All other Sailors received an increase in their Annual Clothing Allowance in FY 08 and FY 09 to offset the additional costs of the uniforms.

Today in Naval History

This week ended with the following two historical notes:

In 1775 - Commodore Esek Hopkins was appointed to Commander in Chief of the Continental Navy

and in 1944 - TF 38 (under command of Vice Admiral John S. McCain) began 2 days of carrier strikes on Luzon, Philippines.

Quote of the Week

"Freedom is never more than one generation from extinction"

-President Ronald Reagan