

Commissioned Personnel Center CYBERFLASH



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Director's Message

I am pleased to announce the Director, NOAA Corps has approved the following promotion zones for this year. Officers listed below are encourage to review their online OPF and medical record (OMF) to ensure that requirements for promotion are complete and accurate. Guidance is also available on "[How To: Prepare for Promotion](#)", and includes practices, basic steps and checklists for promotion process.

Captain Promotion Zone

WINGROVE, RICHARD R.
ADLER, JOHN J.
MANGELS, KARL F.
HAGAN, JEFFREY C.
LONGENECKER, JOHN K.
ROGERS, RALPH R.
NELSON, MARK B.
BARR, DEBORA R.
BERKOWITZ, ERIC W.
SWALLOW, JON D.

Commander Promotion Zone

SWEENEY, MARK M.
DEMERS, DAVID J.
BRAKOB, DEVIN R.
ZEZULA, DAVID J.
BISHOP, JOE C.
SIEGEL, PETER V.
ELLIS, MICHAEL F.
ASH, NANCY L.
JONES, ELIZABETH I.

Lieutenant Commander Promotion Zone

SLOAN, CHRISTIAN J.
KIBBEY, JUSTIN N.
BEAUCAGE, DONALD E.
SCHAER, JASPER D.
RINGEL, MATTHEW R.
DIDIER, PATRICK D.
SAGE, KELLEY E.

VERPLANCK, NICOLA S.
MURPHY, PATRICK L.

Lieutenant Promotion Zone

LACOUR, BENJAMIN M.
COLEGROVE, ANDREW R.
VILLARD-HOWE, ANNAELIZABETHB.
MORGAN, NICHOLAS C.
PEREIRA, JEFFREY G.
KLIEWER, COLIN T.
EMMONS, HAROLD B. III
CHAMBERLAIN, PAUL M.
BYERS, KYLE A.
EVORY, LOREN M.
OSTAPENKO, ANDREW J.
GALLANT, LAURA T.
SCHWEITZER, GREGORY R.

Lieutenant (junior grade) Promotion Zone

LOY, STEVEN T.
JOHNSTON, ALEXANDER G.
DRURY, ALICE E.
HEDGEPEETH, LEIGH C.
PFUNDT, ADAM C.
PAYNE, AMBER M.
WILSON, JASON P.
PARRISH, ALISE N.
NGUYEN, LINH K.

The [FY 2011 Officer Corps Management Plan](#) which describes the zones and reasoning is posted on the CPC website.



CAPT Raymond C. Slagle, NOAA
Director, Commissioned Personnel Center

Announcements:

Promotion Selection Preparation

The FY 2011 Officer Corps Management Plan ([OCMP](#)) has been posted on the CPC website. Within the OCMP are the dates for upcoming promotion selection boards, however, these dates are subject to change based on the needs of the Service. CPC recommends all NOAA

Corps participate in the 08 March Webinar for an overview of the promotion process. Additional guidance can be found on the [CPC website](#).

PHYSICAL & DENTAL EXAMS: Current physical examination and a current dental exam (class I or class II) remain on file with CPC's Medical Administration Branch at all times. **Periodic Physical exams submitted to CPC prior to 2009 must also include all the new medical requirements found on the CPC Website.** Officers eligible for the 2011 promotion zone must ensure all physical examinations as well as supporting lab tests and procedures are valid through May 1, 2011, and must be submitted to the Medical Administration Branch no later than April 1, 2011. The FY 2011 Promotion Zones will be posted in an upcoming Message from the Director.

Officers will not be promoted to a higher grade until they are deemed medically and dentally qualified for promotion. Medical requirements for promotion can be found at http://www.corpscpc.noaa.gov/medical/medical_req.html

Officers should contact CDR Hobson-Powell via E-mail (Elizabeth.hobson-powell@noaa.gov) to ensure that you have a current periodic physical and a current dental examination on file.

Officer Assignment Board

Over the next month and a half, the Officer Career Management Division will be working with the members of the Officer Assignment Board to determine ship Command and Executive Officer assignments for the coming years. All officers are reminded to update their preferences in the online OPF by 13 March, especially those who will be available for sea duty in the next two years. Assignment Coordinator will run a final list of officer preferences on 14 March to provide board members with the most up-to-date assignment preferences. CPC plans to conduct a CO and XO board on or about 21 April.

Required Officer Augmentation

In accordance with OMAO Bulletin 2010-10 (Revised), officers who have completed a full sea assignment within the previous 2 years shall augment. If this applies to you and you have not completed the questionnaire at the following link, please do so. Officers who have completed the questionnaire previously may go back to the link and provide information as stated in questions 1 and 2.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/MZV7SSQ>

The questionnaire is a quick and simple method for obtaining data from a group of officers.

Documented procedures are still in the development process in accordance with the OMAO Bulletin and Fleet Standardization Office requirements.

If you have any questions, please contact LCDR Stephanie Koes, via moc.crew.supervisor@noaa.gov or phone 206-553-2846.

This Month in NOAA Corps History*:

Gilbert T. Rude, Chief of the Division of Coastal Surveys, entered the Survey as Deck Officer on January 19, 1903. He was born in Sharps, Virginia on September 13, 1881, and received his education at Washington College...



In his early boyhood he had been interested in a "gadget" installed on the waterfront near his home, and during his service as Chief of Tides and Currents, his interest in this first hobby bore fruit, as the standard tide gage was started and a new portable automatic tide gage developed. He wrote many articles and publications relating to tides and currents, and for one entitled "Tides and Their Engineering Aspects," he was presented with the Norman Medal in 1929 by the American Society of Civil Engineers...

Some of the outstanding developments and improvements during this period were the advancement of echo sounding; the development of submarine valley surveys; the use of taut wire; the use of radio acoustic ranging; study and development of radar for use in surveying; the construction of the new survey vessels EXPLORER, PATHFINDER, LESTER JONES, PATTON, HILGARD and WAINWRIGHT, and the acquisition of the ships PARKER, BOWEN, STIRNI, and SOSBEE...

His invention, the Mariners Practical Star Finder and Identifier, was purchased by the Navy and is furnished to all naval vessels. ...During his service in the Bureau, Captain Rude had been untiring in his efforts to improve surveying methods and equipment and he has always been alert to encourage others to do likewise.

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Upcoming Uniform and Awards Board Meetings

March 8

April 5

May 3

Approved Retirements/Resignations/Separations

The following officers have approved retirements, resignations, or separations. Be sure to thank them for their service to NOAA and nation and wish them the best the next time you see these officers!

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| LTJG Harold Emmons | March 31, 2011 |
| LT Laurel Jennings | April 1, 2011 |
| LT Katherine Peet | April 15, 2011 |
| LT Natasha Davis | April 30, 2011 |

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| LT Shawn Maddock | May 1, 2011 |
| ENS Tamera Reul | May 10, 2011 |
| LTJG James Falkner | May 31, 2011 |
| LCDR Demian Bailey | June 1, 2011 |
| LT Jason Seifert | June 1, 2011 |
| CDR Carl Groeneveld | June 1, 2011 |
| LCDR James Illg | July 1, 2011 |
| CAPT Michael Francisco | August 1, 2011 |
| CAPT Michael Gallagher | August 1, 2011 |
| LT Elizabeth Crapo | October 30, 2011 |

On the Horizon

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| March 4, 2011 | Norfolk ACO - Dining Out |
| April 18, 2011 | Cutoff Date for Submitting Document to OPF/OMF (not including OER) for FY 2011 Promotion Zones |
| April 18, 2011 (week of) | Promotion Selection OPB for Grades: O-6, O-5, O-4 and O-2 |
| April 4-29, 2011 (Travel 03 & 30 April) | REFTRA- Kings Point, NY |
| October 01, 2011 | Promotion Selection OPB for Grade: O-2 |

Please see CPC website for additional information:

Assignments: <http://www.corpscpc.noaa.gov/careermgmt/assignments.html>

Evaluations: <http://www.corpscpc.noaa.gov/careermgmt/evaluation.html>

Training: <http://www.corpscpc.noaa.gov/careermgmt/training.html>

Uniforms & Awards: <http://www.corpscpc.noaa.gov/perservices/awards.html>

Fleet Wiki: <https://www.st.nmfs.noaa.gov/confluence/display/FleetWiki/Home>