From the Director’s Desk

NOAA Corps Directives and Instructions

Chapters 1 (Administration) and 4 (Career Development and Promotion) of the new NOAA Corps (NC) Directives and Chapters 1 (Appointments) and 2 (Promotions) of the Commissioned Personnel Center (CPC) Instructions are now available at the CPC website (http://www.noaacorps.noaa.gov/indexnew.html). Chapters 1 and 4 of the new NC Directives supercede Chapters 1 and 4 of the NOAA Corps Regulations, in their entirety. Additional chapters of the new NC Directives and the CPC Instructions will be available soon. All officers are strongly encouraged to read each new Directive and Instruction in its entirety, as there have been numerous changes from the Regulations.

The new NC Directives will replace the old NOAA Corps Regulations, thus each Regulation is to be followed until superceded by a Directive. An announcement will be posted on the CPC website with each change. When required, CPC will issue advisory and amendment memoranda regarding the Directives and Instructions. Advisories will provide guidance with regard to the Directives. Amendments will be issued when changes occur to the Directives and/or Instructions. The first advisory, concerning medical examinations, will be posted on the CPC website within the next few days.

Promotion Zones

A promotion zone for the grade of captain has been established and shall consist of lineal numbers 29-30, 32, 34-35, 37-40, and 42. The Officer Personnel Board (OPB) is scheduled to convene on or about May 12-13, 2004, for the purpose of considering all officers in the grade of commander who are eligible for consideration for promotion to the grade of captain. The five best qualified officers will be selected. There are two officers below zone.

A promotion zone for the grade of commander has been established and shall consist of lineal numbers 68-69, 69.01, 70, 75, 77, 79-81, 81.01, 82-83, 85 and 87. The OPB is scheduled to convene on or about May 11-12, 2004 for the purpose of considering all officers in the grade of lieutenant commander who are eligible for consideration for promotion to the grade of commander. The eight best-qualified officers will be selected. There are two officers below zone.

A promotion zone for the grade of lieutenant commander has been established and shall consist of lineal numbers 104, 111, 116, and 120-140. The OPB is scheduled to convene on or about April 28-29, 2004, for the purpose of considering all officers in the grade of lieutenant who are eligible for consideration for promotion to the grade of lieutenant...
commander. The sixteen best qualified officers will be selected. There are four officers below zone.

A promotion zone for the grade of lieutenant has been established and shall consist of lineal numbers 175-179, 181-197. The OPB is scheduled to convene on or about April 26-27, 2004, for the purpose of considering all officers in the grade of lieutenant (junior grade) who are eligible for consideration for promotion to the grade of lieutenant. As prescribed in NC Directive 04204, the promotion multiplier for promotion to the grade of lieutenant is one. Therefore, the OPB will select the first twenty-two qualified officers. There are four officers below zone.

Promotion Qualifications

All officers who have been selected for promotion or who are in the new promotion zones are strongly encouraged to check their records and ensure that current physical and dental examination reports will not expire during the next several months. Note that dental examinations are required annually and physical examinations vary by age. If one of these examinations will expire soon take action immediately to have a new examination conducted.

Email Communications

All officers should note that Director.CPC@noaa.gov is not my email address. It is an account set up only for sending out this CPC Cyber Flash. Our staff does check for incoming messages, but your communication will receive more timely attention if you send it directly to one of the staff at CPC.

Commander Jonathan W. Bailey, NOAA
Director, Commissioned Personnel Center

**Summer Uniform of the Day:**

All NOAA Corps officers shall wear the uniform properly and adhere to appearance standards in the NOAA Corps Uniform Regulations.

The summer uniform of the day for the Seattle, WA; Norfolk, VA; Boulder, CO; Tampa, FL; and Washington, D.C. areas is described below:

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Boulder, CO, April 12, 2004
Prescribed: Summer White
Alternate: Service Khaki

Tampa, FL, year around
Prescribed: Flight Suits
Alternate: Summer Khaki

Washington, D.C., May 3, 2004
Prescribed: Summer White
Alternate: Service Khaki

Detailed notes for Washington D.C.:

Effective 0001 Monday, 3 May 2004, the prescribed Uniform of the Day for the Washington, DC, metropolitan area is Summer White. Service Khaki (Certified Navy Twill, 100% polyester or poly wool, 75% polyester/25% wool) is an authorized alternate uniform. In accordance with Naval District Washington policy no transition period is authorized. Female officers may wear slacks with this uniform.

The prescribed uniform for officers working at the Herbert C. Hoover Building, or conducting official business in non-NOAA facilities, or conducting official business on Capitol Hill, will be Summer White without substitutions. The prescribed uniform for officers testifying before Congress or attending Congressional hearings will be Service Dress Blue throughout the year.

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