

**NOAA Corps Policy Update as of December 10, 2019.**

The following is a high level summary of directives currently being developed and/or routed for review and approval. The status of each directive will be updated as it moves through the clearance process. Some dates may be extended due to the length of research and analysis required.

**NCD Chapter 2, Entitlements** - NOAA Corps Directive Chapter 2, Entitlements, is being reconstructed to document and define entitlements and related legislation governing the pay and allowances of NOAA Corps officers.

Current Status	Next Course of Action	Target Implementation Date
Chapter currently under review.	CPC Deputy Director; CPC Director; DOC OGC; Director, NOAA Corps; Director, NOAA Office of Human Capital Services (OHCS) for clearance and then Director, DOC Office of Human Resources Management (OHRM) for approval/implementation.	Director, OHRM will have final review/approval. CPC target implementation date is TBD.

**NCD Chapter 6, Leave and Liberty** - NOAA Corps Directive Chapter 6, Leave and Liberty is being reviewed/update in accordance with changes to legislation (e.g. maternity and paternity changes). Other updates include minor revisions and editorial changes.

Current Status	Next Course of Action	Target Implementation Date
12/4/19 – CPC received Director, NOAA Office of Human Capital Services (OHCS) clearance.	12/10/19 – Chapter has been forwarded to the Director, DOC Office of Human Resources Management (OHRM) for approval/implementation.	Director, OHRM will have final review/approval. CPC target implementation date is January 2020.

Officers are encouraged to email the NOAA Corps Policy Program Manager with any NOAA Corps Directive clarification needs or questions that they may have at [noaacorps.policy@noaa.gov](mailto:noaacorps.policy@noaa.gov).

Once policies have been drafted in CPC, it takes an average of 60 days for OMAO, DOC OGC and NOAA review and clearance process. Policies and amendments are not posted until approved by the Department of Commerce. The allotted time for review and clearance may vary depending on a number of variables including the urgency and volume length of the policy.