

CHAPTER 15

SPECIAL CONTINUATION PAY FOR
AVIATION CAREER OFFICERS1501 ENTITLEMENT

Navy officers who are pilots or naval flight officers and extend their period of active duty by written agreement after 30 September 1984 and before 1 October 1989, are entitled to aviation officer continuation pay (AOCP) when they meet the eligibility requirements of this chapter and SECNAVINST 7220.79 series (reference (ai)).

1502 ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To qualify for continuation pay under this chapter, the officer must:

150201. Be entitled to aviation career incentive pay (ACIP);

150202. Be in pay grade O-6 or below;

150203. Be qualified to perform operational flying duty as defined in subparagraph 220202B3;

150204. Have at least 6 years of aviation service as an officer, and at least 6, but less than 11 years of active duty;

150205. Be in an aviation specialty designated as critical;

150206. Execute a written agreement to remain on active duty in aviation service for either 3 or 4 years, or 6 years if such agreement is executed by an officer who has completed less than 8 years of active duty;

150207. Have completed the minimum service required for aviation training; and

150208. Have not previously been paid AOCP.

1503 COMPUTATION

Upon acceptance of an eligible officer's written agreement by the Secretary of the Navy, or the Secretary's designee, the officer is entitled to AOCP in addition to all other compensation to which entitled. The amount payable will not exceed:

150301. \$4,000 for each year of a 3-year agreement.

150302. \$6,000 for each year of a 4- or 6-year agreement. See SECNAVINST 7220.79 series (reference (ai)) for exact amounts authorized.

1504 TIME OF PAYMENT

AOCP shall be paid on the effective date of an officer's agreement. The Secretary of the Navy may specify that the continuation bonus be paid in a lump-sum or in equal monthly or annual installments.

1505 RECOUPMENT

Recoupment of the unearned portion of AOCP is required on a pro rata basis whenever an officer fails to maintain eligibility or fails to complete the full contractual period of additional obligated military service. However, recoupment is not required if an officer is unable to maintain eligibility or complete the full contractual period of additional obligated military service for any of the following reasons:

150501. Separation by operation of laws or by operation of military service or Department of Defense policies.

150502. Death or disability (including medical grounding or suspension) which is not the result of misconduct, willful neglect, and not incurred during a period of unauthorized absence.

1506 RESTRICTION

An agreement for AOCP under this section will not be accepted by the Secretary of Defense after 31 December 1988.

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