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DRILL SERGEANT/RECRUITER/AIT PLATOON SERGEANT DUTY REENLISTMENT PROGRAM

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REFERENCES:

- A. MILPER MSG 07-217, AHRC-EPF-R, 15 AUGUST 2007, DRILL SERGEANT/RECRUITER DUTY REENLISTMENT PROGRAM IS RESCINDED EFFECTIVE 29 OCTOBER 2008.
- B. AR 614-200, ENLISTED ASSIGNMENTS AND UTILIZATION MANAGEMENT.
- C. AR 601-1, ASSIGNMENT OF ENLISTED PERSONNEL TO THE U.S. ARMY RECRUITING COMMAND.
- D. AR 601-280, THE ARMY RETENTION PROGRAM.
1. THIS MILPER MESSAGE WILL EXPIRE ON 29 OCTOBER 2010.
 2. THE INTENT OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO PUBLISH GUIDANCE TO NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICERS ON THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE AS A DRILL SERGEANT, RECRUITER, OR AIT PLATOON SERGEANT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THEIR REENLISTMENT.
 3. **DRILL SERGEANT/RECRUITING DUTY**: VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR DRILL SERGEANT AND RECRUITER DUTY. THE ARMY'S GOAL IS TO PLACE NCOs WITH RECENT DEPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE IN THESE POSITIONS TO ENSURE NEW SOLDIERS RECEIVE FIRST-HAND KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT WILL BE EXPECTED OF THEM (DEPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE IS NOT A PREREQUISITE).
 - A. TO HELP FILL THESE POSITIONS, SOLDIERS IN THEIR REENLISTMENT WINDOW (WITHIN 24 MONTHS FROM ETS) IN THE RANK OF SGT OR SSG WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE ARMY TRAINING REENLISTMENT OPTION MAY APPLY FOR DRILL SERGEANT/RECRUITING DUTY THROUGH THEIR UNIT RETENTION OFFICE. UNIT CAREER COUNSELORS WILL ENSURE THE NCOs MEET THE PREREQUISITES FOR DRILL SERGEANT/RECRUITER DUTY AND SUBMIT THE REQUEST TO HRC VIA THE RETAIN SYSTEM. ADDITIONAL PROCESSING GUIDANCE FOR CAREER COUNSELORS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN A SEPARATE MESSAGE ON THE RETAIN SYSTEM.
 - B. SOLDIERS NOT IN THEIR REENLISTMENT WINDOW WHO DESIRE TO REQUEST DRILL SERGEANT OR RECRUITING DUTY WILL CONTINUE TO USE NORMAL PROCESSING PROCEDURES. SOLDIERS INTERESTED IN BECOMING A DRILL SERGEANT CAN FIND INFORMATION IN AR 614-200, CHAPTER 8, OR ONLINE AT https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/protect/active/epinf/drill_sergeant.htm. SOLDIERS INTERESTED IN BECOMING A RECRUITER CAN FIND INFORMATION IN AR 601-1, CHAPTER 2, OR ONLINE AT <http://www.usarec.army.mil/hq/recruiter/index.htm>.
 - C. SOLDIERS APPROVED FOR DRILL SERGEANT OR RECRUITER DUTY ARE ENTITLED TO ANY BONUS INCENTIVES FOR WHICH THEY ARE OTHERWISE QUALIFIED.
 - D. SOLDIERS ON ASSIGNMENT FOR DRILL SERGEANT OR RECRUITER DUTY WHEN STOP MOVE IS EXECUTED FOR THEIR UNIT ARE EXEMPT FROM STOP MOVE IAW MILPER MESSAGE 06-232. SOLDIERS APPROVED FOR TRAINING WHO ARE CURRENTLY IN A STOP MOVE UNIT WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR TRAINING AFTER THE UNIT'S STOP MOVE TERMINATION DATE.

E. SOLDIERS WHO ARE APPROVED FOR TRAINING AND REENLIST FOR DRILL SERGEANT/RECRUITING DUTY MUST MEET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS IDENTIFIED IN AR 614-200 AND AR 601-1 PRIOR TO ATTENDING TRAINING. SOLDIERS WHO REENLIST AND SUBSEQUENTLY FAIL TO MEET PREREQUISITES, TO INCLUDE FAVORABLE BACKGROUND SCREENING, WILL BE ASSIGNED IAW THE NEEDS OF THE ARMY AND WILL NOT HAVE JUSTIFICATION TO SUBMIT A REQUEST FOR AN UNFULFILLED REENLISTMENT.

4. **AIT PLATOON SERGEANT:** IN JANUARY 2008, THE ARMY REMOVED DRILL SERGEANTS FROM AIT TRAINING AND REPLACED THEM WITH PLATOON SERGEANTS. THIS CHANGE HAS INCREASED NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER CONTACT TIME WITH AIT SOLDIER AND HAS HELPED PREPARE NEW SOLDIERS FOR THE COMMAND AND CONTROL STRUCTURE FOUND THROUGHOUT THE ARMY. IT HAS ALSO REQUIRED THE ARMY TO SELECT THE RIGHT NCOs TO SERVE AS AIT PLATOON SERGEANTS.

A. TO HELP FILL THESE POSITIONS, SOLDIERS IN THEIR REENLISTMENT WINDOW (WITHIN 24 MONTHS FROM ETS) IN THE RANK OF SSG(P) AND SFC WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE REGULAR ARMY REENLISTMENT OPTION MAY APPLY FOR AIT PLATOON SERGEANT DUTY THROUGH THEIR UNIT RETENTION OFFICE. UNIT CAREER COUNSELORS WILL ENSURE THE NCOs MEET THE PREREQUISITES FOR AIT PLATOON SERGEANT AND SUBMIT THE REQUEST TO HRC VIA THE RETAIN SYSTEM. THE PREREQUISITES ARE THE SAME AS THOSE FOR DRILL SERGEANT DUTY WITH THE EXCEPTION OF GT SCORE; THERE IS NO GT SCORE REQUIREMENT. ADDITIONAL PROCESSING GUIDANCE FOR CAREER COUNSELORS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN A SEPARATE MESSAGE ON THE RETAIN SYSTEM.

B. SOLDIERS NOT IN THEIR REENLISTMENT WINDOW WHO DESIRE TO REQUEST AIT PLATOON SERGEANT DUTY WILL USE THE ASSIGNMENT SATISFACTION KEY SYSTEM (ASK) AT [HTTPS://WWW.ASK.ARMY.MIL](https://www.ask.army.mil).

C. SOLDIERS APPROVED FOR AIT PLATOON SERGEANT DUTY ARE ENTITLED TO ANY BONUS INCENTIVES FOR WHICH THEY ARE OTHERWISE QUALIFIED.

5. POC FOR THIS MESSAGE IS THE DETAILED ASSIGNMENT BRANCH: DRILL SERGEANT - THE HRC DRILL SERGEANT TEAM DSN: 221-8904/3179; RECRUITING DUTY - THE HRC RECRUITER TEAM DSN: 221-4343/5818/8394; FOR REENLISTMENT AND BONUS INFORMATION SEE YOUR UNIT CAREER COUNSELOR.

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