

**SUBJECT: Option Eligibility**

1. This message is to announce changes to reenlistment option eligibility and supercedes changes announced in Policy messages 03-06, 03-09, 03-18, 03-18c and RMB message 03-05. The following reenlistment option criteria are in effect 4 September 2003.

**A. All soldiers in over strength MOS's are restricted to the Army Training Reenlistment Option with the following exceptions:**

- (1) Soldiers on orders.
- (2) Soldiers required to reenlist for an indefinite term.

B. Minimum reenlistment period for the Current Station Stabilization Reenlistment Option is three years. As an exception, soldiers assigned to Korea, or deployed/deploying units, may reenlist for Current Station Stabilization for a period of two years with six months stabilization. Career Counselors must submit a request to hotline category CUSTSERV for soldiers desiring to reenlist option E2 for 2 years.

**C. Initial term soldiers in a balanced or shortage MOS may reenlist for the following options:**

- (1) Regular Army
- (2) Current Station Stabilization
- (3) Army Training Reenlistment Option provided they meet one of the following criteria:
  - (a) SGT and above
  - (b) CPL/SPC promotable with a GT of 105 and higher.
  - (c) CPL/SPC non promotable with a GT of 110 and higher.
- (4) Overseas Assignment Reenlistment Option. (Soldiers who reenlist for a long tour area must reenlist for a minimum of four years.)
- (5) CONUS Station of Choice Reenlistment Option. Soldier must meet one of the following criteria:
  - (a) Assigned to an OCONUS command with an established DEROS.
  - (b) CPL/SPC promotable or above.

(c) CPL/SPC non promotable with a GT score of 100 or higher.

(d) PFC on an initial enlistment of less than 3 years and less than 24 months time in service on date of discharge.

**D. Mid-Career soldiers in balanced or shortage MOS may reenlist for the following options:**

(1) Regular Army

(2) Current Station Stabilization

(3) Overseas Assignment Reenlistment Option. (Soldiers who reenlist for a long tour area must reenlist for a minimum of four years.)

(4) CONUS Station of Choice Reenlistment Option. Soldier must meet one of the following criteria:

(a) Assigned to an OCONUS command with an established DEROS.

(b) SSG non promotable with less than ten years AFS on date of discharge.

(b) SGT promotable with 650 promotion points and less than ten years AFS on date of discharge.

(c) SGT with seven or less years of AFS at ETS.

(d) CPL/SPC promotable with 525 or more promotion points and six or less years AFS at ETS.

E. RETAIN options 6 & 7 are for processing purposes only and require a minimum 3 year reenlistment. Soldiers desiring to utilize these options must qualify under Current Station Stabilization and Overseas Area Reenlistment Options respectively.

F. Career Counselors must ensure that soldiers reenlisting for the Army Training Reenlistment Option meet all prerequisites I AW the RETAIN Minimum Qualifications File, DA Pam 611-21, and the ATRRS course catalog. The ATRRS course catalog is available online at <http://www.atrrs.army.mil/atrrscc/>

G. Soldiers who reenlist under Option E-3, Army Training Reenlistment Option, for training in a CMF other than 11, 12, 13 and 19 must reenlist for a minimum of four years.

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**END Policy Message 03-19**

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