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BUMED INSTRUCTION 1221.4

From: Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery

Subj: NAVY ENLISTED CLASSIFICATION CODE 8447 ULTRASOUND
TECHNOLOGIST

Ref: (a) The American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, 2015 Radiography Handbook
(b) The American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, 2015 Sonography Handbook
(c) MILPERSMAN 1221-021

1. Purpose. Guidelines for obtaining the Navy enlisted classification (NEC) 8447 as a Ultrasound Technologist.
2. Scope. This instruction applies to all Navy Medicine activities and Navy Medicine personnel requesting Ultrasound Technologist NEC 8447.
3. Background. Navy Medicine requires candidates to be Registered Diagnostic Medical Sonographer (RDMS) in abdomen and obstetrics and gynecology. The RDMS Web site is available at: <http://www.ardms.org/get-certified/Pages/default.aspx>.
4. Application Process
 - a. Candidates must submit documentation and receive certification per references (a) and (b). Reference (a) is available at: <https://www.arrt.org/pdfs/Disciplines/Handbooks/RAD-Handbook.pdf>. Reference (b) is available at: <https://www.arrt.org/pdfs/Disciplines/Handbooks/SON-Handbook.pdf>.
 - b. All 8452 applicants shall submit NAVPERS 1221/6, Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) Change Request, requesting the classification of NEC 8447 to the Enlisted Community Manager (BUPERS 325), the cognizant awarding authority.
5. Continuing Education (CE) Requirements
 - a. The member and command will be responsible to maintain current radiology certification and current ultrasound certification. Failure to be in compliance will result in removal of NEC 8447 per reference (c).
 - b. Follow the CE requirements available at: <https://www.arrt.org/pdfs/Governing-Documents/Continuing-Education-Requirements.pdf> and <http://www.ardms.org/Maintain-Certification/CME/Pages/CME.aspx>.

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6. Records. Records created as a result of this instruction, regardless of media and format, shall be managed per SECNAV M-5210.1 of January 2012.

7. Form. NAVPERS 1221/6 (06-06), Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) Change Request is available at:

https://navalforms.documentservices.dla.mil/formsDir/NAVPERS_1221_6_1314.pdf.



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