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Sept. 30, 2010 is the Last Day for Regular Active Duty Army Officers to Apply for Retroactive Joint Credit from Sept. 11, 2001 to Sept. 30, 2009

U.S. Army Reserve (USAR) Officers May Apply until Sept. 30, 2013 for Retroactive Joint Credit from Oct. 1, 1986 to Sept. 30, 2013

Alexandria, Va. — Eligible Regular Active Duty Army officers can still apply for retroactive credit for joint experience that occurred from Sept. 11, 2001 to Sept. 30, 2009, but they must do so by Sept. 30, 2010. Effective on or after Oct. 1, 2010, Regular Active Duty officers will only have 12 months to apply for retroactive credit from the date they completed their joint experience assignment.

Department of Defense Instruction (DoDI) 1300.19, "Department of Defense Joint Officer Management Program," Incorporating Change 2, dated Feb. 16, 2010, allows eligible U.S. Army Reserve (USAR) officers to submit for retroactive joint experience credit for service in qualifying joint assignments that were in effect from Oct. 1, 1986. Requests for retroactive credit for USAR officers will be accepted through Sept. 30, 2013. Effective on or after Sept. 30, 2013, USAR officers will only have 12 months to apply for retroactive credit from the date they completed their joint experience assignment.

The DoDI also allows USAR officers who in their civilian occupation are employed by a federal, state, or local government agency to apply for joint credit experience, if their performance meets the definition of Joint Matters. Experiences will only be credited from Jan 1, 2010 and on, and only 18 points maximum can be accrued in this manner.

An officer submits a self-nomination packet for each joint experience. The packet is created and submitted entirely online, and the officer has the ability to upload supporting documents such as Officer Evaluation Reports and award citations.

The packet is submitted when the officer clicks the "Submit to Service" button. Clicking the "Save" button does not submit the packet. An officer who is not sure if his or her packet has been successfully submitted should contact the Joint Policy Branch at HRCSJointManagement@conus.army.mil to check on its status.

Currently there's no constraint on how many packets an officer can submit for consideration by the quarterly Joint Qualification System (JQS) Panel. A JQS panel is scheduled to meet once every quarter.

Once the officer submits a self-nomination packet, it enters the Joint Manpower Information System (JMIS) Experience queue. The Joint Policy Branch will retrieve it, process it and submit it to the JQS Panel for review. About 400 Regular Active Duty and 394 USAR packets are currently in the JMIS Experience queue.

Regular Active Duty officers should note that an application for retroactive credit for joint experience that occurred from Sept. 11, 2001 to Sep 30, 2009 does not have to be processed and reviewed by Sept. 30, 2010; it need only be submitted by Sept. 30, 2010.

After reviewing a packet, the JQS panel may recommend the award of joint experience points and how many. One point can be awarded for each 30.4 days of experience, or 12 points for 365 days. Joint experience incurred in a hostile fire/imminent danger zone may be multiplied by an intensity factor of three, allowing an officer an opportunity to earn as many as 36 points in 365 days.

Earning 36 joint experience points, and completing all Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) requirements, qualifies an officer for the award of the "3L" Joint Qualified Officer identifier.

With the Sept. 30, 2010 deadline approaching, the U.S. Army Human Resources Command's Joint Policy Section urges all eligible Regular Active Duty Army officers to promptly visit the Joint Qualification System website at https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/appj/jmis/JQSindex.jsp and submit for retroactive credit for joint experience.

For more information about applying for retroactive joint credit, visit:

.https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/protect/Active/opdistjp/index.htm.

To contact the U.S. Army Human Resources Command Joint Policy Branch, email:

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