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Navy Reserve – 96 Years Strong

"Navy Reserve Sailors are an essential element of the Navy's daily operations, from combat operations with NATO partners at ISAF in Afghanistan, to caring for our wounded warriors at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, to building maritime safety and security capability and capacity via Africa Partnership Station."

– Admiral James G. Stavridis, Commander, U.S. European Command and NATO Supreme Allied Commander Europe

Established on March 3, 1915, the Navy Reserve provides strategic depth and delivers operational capabilities to our Navy and Marine Corps team, and joint forces, during peacetime and war. Reserve component (RC) Sailors have served our nation in every conflict from World War I through today. The Navy Reserve vision is to be the provider of choice for essential naval warfighting capabilities and expertise, strategically aligned with mission requirements, and valued for readiness, innovation, and agility to respond to any situation.

The Navy Reserve is a full partner in the Navy's Total Force comprised of active and Reserve Sailors and Navy civilians, and enables a [continuum of service](#) by providing Sailors options that allow them to "Stay Navy" and continue to contribute to [Navy warfighting](#) effectiveness.

Delivering a Ready and Accessible Force

- RC Sailors maintain a high degree of personal, medical, professional, and family readiness to support the fleets, warfare/provider enterprises, and combatant commands.
- Supported commands have rapid and affordable access to talented RC Sailors through a variety of duty types, including Inactive Duty for Training (IDT), Annual Training (AT), Active Duty for Training (ADT), Active Duty for Special Work (ADSW), and recall/mobilization orders.

Providing Valued Capabilities

- Providing on-demand expertise, RC Sailors deliver full-time excellence through part-time and full-time service, providing cost-effective capabilities unmatched for quality.
- RC capabilities can either mirror or complement AC capabilities, providing commanders with strategic depth and operational flexibility while delivering outstanding value to our nation.

Enabling the Continuum of Service

- By capturing vital skills, valuable training, and fleet experience, the RC preserves the Navy's investment while providing Sailors the opportunity to keep serving. Recruit once; retain for life -- today's AC Sailors become tomorrow's RC leaders while concurrently pursuing career, education, and family goals in the private sector.
- The [Career Transition Office](#), [Career Management System Interactive Detailing](#), and [Perform to Serve](#) programs provide Sailors with resources to evaluate their options and assist them when they choose to transition from one component to another.

Key Messages

- The Navy Reserve is a vital part of the Navy's Total Force, providing strategic depth and delivering operational capabilities from peace to war for 96 years.
- Stay Navy! Today's AC Sailors can be Sailors for life, with flexible service options that provide opportunities for meaningful and valued work throughout a career. See a career counselor or www.navyreserve.com for details.
- Force Motto: **Ready Now. Anytime, Anywhere.**

Facts & Figures

- Since September 11, 2001, RC Sailors have filled more than 63,000 of the Navy's 95,000 IA assignments.
- In any given week, more than 20,000 RC Sailors – about one-third of the Navy Reserve Force – are on orders providing operational support.
- There are currently 65,500 RC Sailors, including 54,182 Selected Reserve and 10,688 Full-Time Support Sailors.