

WHAT IS DEPLOYMENT READINESS TRAINING (DRT)? HOW DO I ATTEND ONE?

CNRFC has just released COMNAVRESFORINST 1342.1A, the instruction that outlines all of CNRFC's Warrior and Family Support Programs. This new instruction replaces COMNAVRESFORINST 1342.1. One of the biggest changes is that Pre-Deployment Family Readiness Conferences (PDFRCs) have been replaced by Deployment Readiness Trainings (DRTs).

Deployment Readiness Trainings (DRTs) are designed to educate and provide information that bolsters the readiness of unit personnel, their families, designated representatives, employers, and the affected communities for the rigors of deployment and the challenges of separation. These training events will provide an understanding of available support programs and how each phase of deployment is connected. The training events shall address issues in a proactive manner in order to build resilience and knowledge.

Participation at a DRT is mandatory for all deplorers and imminent deplorers, defined as all members of the Ready Mobilization Pool (RMP) as well as all voluntary deplorers who will deploy within the next 18 months. DRTs may also be attended by any Navy Reserve member, designated representative, and children who choose to attend, provided they meet travel guidelines depicted per Joint Federal Travel Regulations (JFTR).

When it comes to scheduling, all Echelon III/IV Commanders will ensure that subordinate commands conduct DRTs for all deplorers and imminent deplorers, defined as all members of the Ready Mobilization Pool (RMP) as well as voluntary deplorers who will deploy within the next 18 months.

DRTs are an in-person training event that shall consist of a minimum of two hours of instruction, but not to exceed more than six hours.

The knowledge obtained at a DRT will help reduce the anxiety of family members during the deployment cycle with several resources available for questioning.

For more information on attending the next DRT please contact your local Regional Component Command for events in your region.

For more info n this program, contact your chain of Command or:

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