Navy Career Tools

What's New for You?
Career Tools Afloat (CTA)
For AIRFOR and SURFOR Communities

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To learn more about your career tools, please visit:
Career Toolbox or Navy Career Tools

What's Changing and Why?

Aboard Navy surface ships, the Career Tools Afloat (CTA) common access point is replacing Navy Knowledge Online (NKO) at Sea, the application previously used by Sailors to log into Navy Career Tools Afloat (NCTA) applications installed at sea, such as: Navy eLearning (NeL) Afloat, Electronic Training Jacket (ETJ) Afloat, and Fleet Training Management and Planning System (FLTMPS) Afloat.

NKO at Sea has limited functionality (less than ten web pages containing minimal content) and serves primarily to authenticate user access to NCTA applications. The CTA application provides this same core functionality with a streamlined format—and offers a whole lot more. The CTA common access point provides Sailors on surface ships with a gateway to certain Navy Career Tool applications—ashore and afloat—which is something Sailors have been asking for and have never had...until now!

When can I expect the new CTA release?

Fall of 2012

Afloat Navy Career Tools Accessed via CTA

IMPORTANT: The following afloat systems are installed onboard your ship. If any of these systems are not available, please contact your ship's IT system administrator.

- Navy eLearning (NeL) Afloat
- Electronic Training Jacket (ETJ) Afloat
- Fleet Training Management and Planning System (FLTMPS) Afloat (available on NIAPS 2.3 and higher, or if ship has received the MU1B-5 upgrade)
- Navy Standard Integrated Personnel System (NSIPS) Web Afloat
  - ✓ for Electronic Service Record (ESR) Web Afloat
  - ✓ for Career Information Management System (CIMS) Web Afloat
- Navy Career Tools Assistant (Tutorial)

NCTA applications are updated either by the ship's Navy Information Application Product Suite (NIAPS), or the ship's Navy Standard Integrated Personnel System (NSIPS) Web Afloat server. Applications are updated via a data exchange process called "replication". Periodically, NIAPS and NSIPS will replicate data between ship and shore in order to synchronize afloat and ashore databases. Due to time delays inherent in the replication process, afloat applications may NOT be an exact copy of applications accessed via the Internet.

Internet-Based Navy Career Tools Accessed via CTA

IMPORTANT: Links to the following shore-based systems will only work when Internet is available.

- Navy Standard Integrated Personnel System (NSIPS) Web
  - ✓ Electronic Service Record (ESR)
  - ✓ for Career Information Management System (CIMS)
  - ✓ for Navy Retention Monitoring System (NRMS)
- Navy Knowledge Online (NKO)
  - ✓ for Navy eLearning
  - ✓ for Electronic Training Jacket
- BUPERS Online
  - ✓ for Official Military Personnel File (OMPF)
  - ✓ for Physical Readiness Information Management System (PRIMS)
- Navy College
  - ✓ for Sailor/Marine American Council on Education Registry Transcript (SMART)
  - ✓ for Sailor/Marine Online Academic Advisor (SMOLAA)
- Career Management System/Interactive Detailing (CMS/ID)
- Navy Credentialing Opportunities Online (COOL)
- United Services Military Apprenticeship Program (USMAP)
- U.S. Navy Awards
- Fleet Ride/Perform To Serve (PTS)
- Officer Personnel Information System (OPINS)
- Fleet Training Management and Planning System (FLTMPS)
- Transaction Online Processing System (TOPS)

* A link to the **Navy Career Tools Assistant** is displayed on the CTA home page. This will take the user to a Job Performance Aid (JPA) on CTA that provides the following information:
- CTA Description
- CTA Major Functions
- How to Launch CTA
- How to Establish a CTA Account
- How to Change a CTA Password
- How to Resolve CTA Login Problems
- How to Access GDSC Help Desk
- How to Access CTA Help

Career Tools Afloat Main Page Display

1.) Title Bar and Login Status Indicator

2.) Career Tools Afloat

* Career Tools Assistant Link

3.) Career Tools Internet

4.) Help and Feedback

PLEASE NOTE: You may see either GDSC or NAVY 311 contact information in this section. Both will take you to the same help desk to get the support you may require.

CTA = CAREER TOOLS AFLOAT

~~ You Are Not Currently Logged In ~~
[Login Now] [Close Browser]

Career Tools - Afloat

When you are unable to access the Internet, use the following career tools, which are provided via the NSIPS Web Afloat or NIAPS/Distance Support servers installed on your ship. If one of the systems does not launch, or if you encounter any issues or errors, please contact your command IT support personnel. NOTE: Asterisks (**) indicate that the application requires you to log in to this Career Tools Afloat page (see black button above).

SAILOR TOOLS
> NSIPS Web Afloat
  • for ESR Afloat
> ETJ Afloat **
> Navy eLearning Afloat **
> Navy Career Tools Assistant (Tutorial)

CCC TOOLS
> NSIPS Web Afloat
  • for CIMS Web Afloat

COMMAND TOOLS
> NSIPS Web Afloat
  • for ESR Afloat Administrative (Command) View

TRAINO TOOLS
> FLTMPS Afloat **
> NTMPS Afloat (NAFL) Datamart Build Date
> Navy eLearning Afloat Courses Available
> Navy eLearning Afloat Courses NOT Available
> Navy eLearning Courses NOT Tagged for Afloat
> NIAPS Content Health Indicator Tool (CHIT)

PERSONNEL TOOLS
> NSIPS Web Afloat

Career Tools - Internet

When you have good Internet connectivity, the following career tools are available:

SAILOR TOOLS
> NSIPS Web
  • for ESR
> Navy Knowledge Online (NKO)
  • for ETJ
  • for Navy eLearning
> BUPERS Online
  • for OMPF - My Record
  • for PRIMS
> Navy College
  • for SMART
  • for SMOLAA
> Career Management System (CMS/ID)
> Navy COOL
> USMAP
> U.S. Navy Awards

CCC TOOLS
> FleetRide/PTS
> NSIPS Web
  • for CIMS
  • for NRMS
> Career Management System (CMS/ID)
> OPINS
> TOPS

TRAINO TOOLS
> FLTMPS

PERSONNEL TOOLS
> NSIPS Web
> TOPS

COMMAND TOOLS
> NSIPS Web
  • for ESR Administrative (Command) View
> BUPERS Online
  • for OMPF - My Record
  • for PRIMS
> Career Management System (CMS/ID)

Help and Feedback
Contacting Navy 311

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Navy Career Tool user aids can be found online:
Navy Personnel Command (NPC) (http://www.npc.Navy.mil)
> NPC Quick Links > Career Toolbox
Navy Knowledge Online (NKO) (http://www.nko.Navy.mil)
> Career Management > Navy Career Tools