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AERONAUTICAL DESIGNATIONS AND FLYING STATUS FOR  
ARMY PERSONNEL

AR 600-106, 3 September 1964, is changed as follows:

4. Designations.

c. Master Army aviator. To be eligible flying status, and—

(4) Be currently qualified in rotary and/or fixed wing aircraft.

d. Aviation medical officer. To be eligible each individual must—

(2) (Superseded) Have satisfactorily completed the basic course in aviation medicine at either the U.S. Army Aviation School, the U.S. Naval School of Aviation Medicine, or the U.S. Air Force School of Aerospace Medicine.

e. Flight surgeon. To be eligible each individual must—

(2) (Superseded) Have completed a minimum of 1 year as an aviation medicine officer on flying status.

(4) (Superseded) Be credited on DA Form 759 with a minimum of 100 hours of flying time in Army aircraft.

f. Senior flight surgeon. To be eligible each individual must—

(2) (Superseded) Have completed a minimum of 6 years as a flight surgeon on flying status.

(4) (Superseded) Be credited on DA Form 759 with a minimum of 700 hours of flying time in Army aircraft.

10. Crewmember flying status. Crewmember flying status of the aircraft.

a. Flight surgeons.

(1) (Superseded) Medical Corps officers when awarded the aeronautical designation of flight surgeon or senior flight surgeon, will be considered crewmembers under the provisions of paragraph 10511c(5), AR 37-104.

(2) Care will be medicine in priority:  
(a) Officers undergoing formal aviation medicine training leading to a certification in that specialty. Officers undergoing formal training in a specialty other than aviation medicine will not be placed on flying status for the duration of such training.

11. Noncrewmember flying status. Personnel performing essential under paragraph 12.

d. Medical personnel.

(1) Aviation medical officers. (Superseded)

(a) Medical Corps officers, when awarded aeronautical designation of aviation medical officer, will be considered as noncrewmembers under the provision of paragraph 10511d, AR 37-104.

(b) Care will be taken to insure only those aviation medical officers who are actively engaged in practice of aviation medicine are placed in noncrewmember flight status. Those aviation medical officers actively engaged in practice of aviation medicine are those whose primary duty is performance of aviation medicine responsibilities and those who are required to perform these functions as additional duty. Officers undergoing formal training in a specialty other than aviation medicine will not be placed on flying status for the duration of such training.

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✓ 14. Instructions for issuing and terminating orders.

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✓ *b. Termination of flying status.* (Superseded)  
 Unless sooner terminated or suspended by the issuing authority, orders authorizing flying status will automatically terminate on the date specified in orders, upon relief from assignment to the duties for which flying status was authorized, or upon separation of the individual from the Army. New orders are not required to continue flying status in effect for personnel reenlisting at the same station without a break in service, provided

orders in effect at time of separation are so worded that, by their express terms, they remain effective after separation and immediate reenlistment. An authorized change of station does not terminate flying status orders. Providing the individual remains assigned in the gaining organization to duties for which flying status is authorized, new orders are not required. If the individual is assigned to duties for which flying status is not authorized, the gaining organization will terminate flying status effective on the date of assignment to such duties.

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 (Date)

SUBJECT: Application for Aeronautical Designation of (Flight Surgeon) (Senior Flight Surgeon)

THRU:

TO: The Surgeon General  
 ATTN:  
 MEDDD-PA  
 Department of the Army  
 Washington, D.C., 20315

1. In accordance with AR600-106, application is made for aeronautical designation of flight surgeon (or senior flight surgeon).

2. Information constituting evidence of fulfilling the qualifications for this designation is as follows:

- a. Name, grade, service number, branch of service and component.
- b. Organization and station to which permanently assigned.

c. I have (have not) served continuously on flying status and have (have not) been actively engaged in the practice of aviation medicine since date of award of rating as aviation medical officer. (If the above statement is negative, provide details concerning the cause or causes for interruption of flying status.)

d. School of aviation medicine attended and date of graduation.

e. Date of graduation from course in aviation medicine in the Army Aviation Center, Fort Rucker, Alabama.

3. One copy of each of the following is attached:

a. Original order awarding rating of aviation medical officer.

b. Original flying status orders requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flights.

c. Most recent flying status orders requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flights.

d. Report of medical examination for Class III flying (examination must have been completed within preceding 6-month period and must include report of electrocardiogram with tracing and Report of Medical History (SF 89)).

e. Copy of latest DA Form 759 (Individual Flight Record).

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 (Signature)

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 (Name, grade, service No.,  
 branch of service)

✓ *Figure 2. Format for letter application for aeronautical designation of flight surgeon or senior flight surgeon.* (Superseded)

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## Section I. GENERAL

1. **Purpose.** This regulation establishes procedures for the award of aeronautical designations and the administration of flying status orders for Army personnel.

2. **Definitions.** For the purpose of this regulation, the following definitions apply:

*a. Aeronautical designation.* A designation authorizing an individual to pilot aircraft when ordered to do so by competent authority.

*b. Student aviator.* An individual undergoing a Department of the Army-approved course of flight instruction leading to award of the aeronautical designation of "Army aviator."

*c. Nonaviator personnel.* Personnel required by competent orders to perform duties in-flight other than duties of pilots or student aviators.

## Section II. AERONAUTICAL DESIGNATIONS

3. **Authority to award.** The Secretary of the Army, or such officers as he may designate, may award aeronautical designations as he may specify for members of the U.S. Army. An aeronautical designation once awarded to an individual becomes a part of his status and cannot be removed.

*a.* The commandants of the appropriate U.S. Army Aviation Training Schools will award the aeronautical designation of Army aviator to student aviators who graduate from the fixed or rotary wing course.

*b.* Commanders in chief of major Army overseas commands; commanding generals of major Army commands; and commanding generals of ZI armies and the Military District of Washington, U.S. Army, may award the ratings of senior Army aviator and master Army aviator to aviators on active duty. Commanders in chief of major overseas commands may delegate this authority to commanding generals of armies. Two copies of all special orders published under this authority will be forwarded to the Chief of Personnel Opera-

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tions, ATTN: PXAA, Department of the Army, Washington, D. C., 20310.

4. Designations. *a. Army aviator.* To be eligible for award of aeronautical designation of Army aviator, each individual must—

- (1) Be an officer or warrant officer of the U.S. Army.
- (2) Be medically qualified for flying duty in accordance with AR 40-501.
- (3) Be assigned in a branch of service authorized Army aviation.
- (4) Have piloted a heavier-than-air craft for at least 200 hours, of which 75 are solo (10 U.S.C. 3692).
- (5) Have completed satisfactorily a course of operational and tactical training in fixed or rotary wing aircraft as prescribed by Headquarters, Department of the Army. This requirement may be waived or modified for Reserve Component officers and warrant officers not on active duty as follows:

(a) For personnel who have been previously awarded a U.S. military aeronautical rating as pilot or naval aviator, the requirement may be waived provided they are medically qualified for flying status and are recommended for designation as Army aviator by an Army Flying Evaluation Board conducted in accordance with AR 600-107.

(b) Personnel not qualifying for above waiver, who hold a currently valid FAA certificate for commercial pilot or higher, may be recommended by a Flying Evaluation Board, convened as above, for entry into the Army Aviation School on a proficiency basis with subsequent designation as Army aviator on successful completion. Approved Board proceeding will be submitted by letter through channels to the Chief of Personnel Operations, ATTN: OPXAA, Department of the Army, Washington, D.C., 20310 (for Reserve Component personnel) or Chief, National Guard Bureau, Department of the Army, Washington, D.C., 20310 (for National Guard personnel).

- (6) Application for the rating of Army aviator for Reserve Component Personnel as outlined above may be initiated and processed concurrently with an application for a commission in an appropriate Reserve Component. However, the award of the rating of Army aviator will not be made until after the individual has been offered and accepts a commission or warrant as an officer of the Army of the United States.

*b. Senior Army aviator.* To be eligible for award of aeronautical designation of senior Army aviator, each individual must—

- (1) Be an Army aviator on flying status.
- (2) Have been an aviator in the military service of the United States for a minimum of 7 years, of which at least 4 years will have been as an Army aviator, and/or liaison pilot of the U.S. Army.
- (3) Have a minimum of 1,500 hours flying time as a student pilot, first pilot, copilot, and/or instructor pilot in civilian and/or military aircraft.
- (4) Hold a current standard or higher instrument certificate in accordance with AR 95-63.

*c. Master Army aviator.* To be eligible for award of aeronautical designation of master Army aviator, each individual must be on current flying status, and—

- (1) Have been a senior Army aviator for a minimum of 8 years or have been an aviator in the military service of the United States for a minimum of 15 years, of which at least 12 years will have been as an Army aviator, and/or liaison pilot of the U.S. Army.
- (2) Have a minimum of 3,000 hours flying time as a student pilot, first pilot, copilot, and/or instructor pilot in civilian and/or military aircraft.
- (3) Hold a current special instrument certificate in accordance with AR 95-63.
- (4) Be currently qualified in rotary and fixed wing aircraft.

*d. Aviation medical officer.* To be eligible for award of aeronautical designation of aviation medical officer, each individual must—

- (1) Be a member of the Medical Corps of the U.S. Army.
- (2) Have satisfactorily completed the basic course in aviation medicine in either the U.S. Army Aviation School or in the USN or the USAF School of Aerospace Medicine. See AR 611-103.
- (3) Be medically qualified for flying duty in accordance with chapter 4, AR 40-501.
- e. Flight surgeon.* To be eligible for award of aeronautical designation of flight surgeon, each individual must—

- (1) Hold the designation of aviation medical officer and be currently on flying status.
- (2) Fulfill the requirements stated in AR 611-103.
- (3) Be medically qualified for flying duty in accordance with chapter 4, AR 40-501.
- (4) Be actively and continuously engaged in the practice of aviation medicine.

*f. Senior flight surgeon.* To be eligible for award of aeronautical designation of senior flight surgeon, each individual must—

- (1) Hold the designation of flight surgeon and be currently on flying status.

- (2) Fulfill the requirements stated in AR 611-103.
- (3) Be medically qualified for flying duty in accordance with chapter 4, AR 40-501.
- (4) Be actively and continuously engaged in the practice of aviation medicine.

**5. Application for designation.** *a.* Army aviators on active duty will submit applications for designation as senior or master Army aviator, in duplicate, through channels to the appropriate commander concerned. All others will submit application, in duplicate, through channels to the Chief of Personnel Operations, ATTN: OPXAA, Department of the Army, Washington, D.C., 20310. The format for letter application appears in figure 1.

*b.* Application for designation as flight surgeon or senior flight surgeon will be submitted in duplicate through channels to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDDD-PA, Department of the Army, Washington, D.C., 20315. The format for letter application appears in figure 2.

**6. Aviation badges.** Description and instruction as to the requisitioning and wearing of the aviation badges are contained in AR 672-5-1.

### Section III. FLYING STATUS FOR AVIATORS

**7. Flying status orders.** *a.* In accordance with Executive Order 10152 (sec. I, DA Bul. 15, 1950), as amended, the Secretary of the Army may issue orders requiring aviators to participate regularly and frequently in aerial flights.

*b.* Responsibility to issue flying status orders is assigned as follows:

- (1) The Secretary of the Army will issue orders requiring aviators (other than student aviators) of the active Army to participate regularly and frequently in aerial flights. The following limitations apply:
- (a) Aviators placed on flying status must be assigned to aviation duty or duty in the appropriate category, as outlined in AR 600-105.
- (b) The total number of aviators on flying status will not exceed the number authorized in active Army units, plus a variable percentage for pipeline reserve and career programing. The variable percentage will be determined periodically

by Headquarters, Department of the Army.

- (c) The total number of aviators on flying status will not exceed the authorized allotment prescribed in the fiscal budget.
- (d) Flying status orders will contain a reference to the orders which awarded the latest aeronautical designation. When issued concurrently, aeronautical designation and flying status will be incorporated in the same orders.
- (2) The Commandant, The U.S. Army Aviation School, Fort Rucker, Ala., and the Commandant, U.S. Army Primary Helicopter School, Fort Wolters, Tex., will issue temporary flying status orders to student aviators undergoing flight instruction. These orders will be effective only for the duration of the course at each installation or the termination of attendance thereat, whichever is earlier, and will in-

clude the phrase "is required to participate regularly and frequently in aerial training flights."

- (3) As an exception to (1) above, the Commandants of the U.S. Army Aviation Schools will incorporate in one order the aeronautical designation and flying status for active Army graduates of the appropriate Army aviation fixed or rotary wing course. Copies of orders authorizing flying status and/or awarding the aeronautical designation of Army aviator will be furnished Headquarters, Department of the Army, as follows:
- (a) TAG, ATTN: AGRZ—one.
  - (b) Chief of Personnel Operations ATTN: OPXAA—two.
  - (c) TAG, ATTN: AGPF—one for each individual concerned for inclusion in official military personnel file.
  - (d) USAAFIO, ATTN: SIGCC-17—one.
  - (e) CNGB, ATTN: AROTB—two for each NGUS officer.
  - (f) Appropriate Army commander—two for each Reserve officer serving in an ACDUTRA status.
- (4) Commanding generals of major commands, zone of interior armies, and military District of Washington, U.S. Army, and the Chief, National Guard Bureau, will issue flying status orders requiring aviators not on active duty to participate regularly and frequently in aerial flights. The following limitations apply:
- (a) Aviators placed on flying status must be assigned in one of the branches authorized Army aviation but need not be assigned to a unit authorized aviation.
  - (b) The total number of such aviators on flying status must not exceed the number authorized in Reserve Component TOE and TD units within the command concerned plus 50 percent of this total.
  - (c) A maximum of 10 percent of the total authorized aviators may be filled by aviators of field grade.
  - (d) Flying status orders will contain a reference to the orders which awarded

the individual his latest aeronautical designation.

- (e) Flying status orders are valid for short tours of active duty provided the using agency has budgeted therefor.

c. Current flying status orders terminate within 30 days after the individual concerned undergoes a change of status such as—

- (1) Active to inactive, or vice versa.
- (2) Warrant officer to commissioned officer, or vice versa. Request for new flying status orders will be submitted in accordance with paragraph 8.

d. A suggested wording of flying status orders for Army aviators not on active duty is shown in figure 3.

8. Request for flying status orders. a. If flying status orders are terminated as indicated in paragraph 7c, the aviator must normally initiate a request for new flying status orders to the appropriate control headquarters if he desires to maintain flying status. If the aviator is called to active duty, flying status orders will be issued by the Department of the Army concurrently with active duty orders, provided—

- (1) The aviator is medically qualified for flying status as prescribed by AR 40-501.
- (2) An Army aeronautical designation has been awarded.
- (3) The aviator is recalled to active duty in one of the categories of aviation assignments authorizing flight status as prescribed in AR 600-105, and his orders so specify the proper category.
- (4) The aviator who is a member of an Army National Guard or Army Reserve unit was on permanent flying status immediately prior to his current entry into the active Army; or, if he is not a member of an organized Reserve Component unit, was on flying status at the time of relief from his last tour of active duty; or
- (5) The aviator concerned has satisfactorily completed a course of flight training as prescribed by paragraph 4a(5). Aviators designated under the waiver provisions of the cited requirement will not be issued flying status orders while on extended active duty prior to completion of the prescribed training.

b. Requests will be addressed as follows:

- (1) Aviators of the active Army will submit applications through channels to the Chief of Personnel Operations, ATTN: OPXAA, Department of the Army, Washington, D.C., 20310.
- (2) Aviators of the Army National Guard not on active duty will submit requests through channels to the Chief, National Guard Bureau, Washington, D.C., 20310.
- (3) Aviators of the Army Reserve not on active duty will submit requests through channels to the appropriate commander indicated in paragraph 7b(4).

c. Requests will include the following:

- (1) Grade, name, service number, and branch of service.
- (2) Component and duty status; i.e., active

duty, active Reserve status, or inactive Reserve status.

- (3) Organization and station.
- (4) Duty assignment, MOS, assignment category as prescribed in AR 600-105.
- (5) Copy of most recent aeronautical designation orders.
- (6) Copy of most recent flying status orders, and copies of any suspensions from or termination of flying status.
- (7) One copy (three copies if an NG officer) of Standard Form 88 (Report of Medical Examination), one copy of Standard Form 89 (Report of Medical History), one copy of electrocardiogram (cut and mounted), and one copy of any medical reports of special consultation.
- (8) Copy of current assignment orders.

#### Section IV. FLYING STATUS FOR NONAVIATOR PERSONNEL

**9. Authority to issue orders.** *a.* In accordance with paragraph 2-54, AR 37-104, authority to issue competent orders requiring nonaviator personnel to perform regular and frequent aerial flights is delegated to the following:

- (1) For personnel who meet the requirements of paragraphs 10 and 11. Commanders in chief of major Army oversea commands; commanding generals of major Army commands; and commanding generals of ZI armies and the Military District of Washington, U.S. Army; and Chief, National Guard Bureau. Authority herein may be redelegated down to and including divisions, and installations or commands of comparable responsibility which are authorized a commander of general officer grade.
- (2) For student personnel while undergoing training for operation of airborne sensory devices (para. 11b(1)). Commanding Officer, Combat Surveillance and Target Acquisition Training Command, Fort Huachuca, Ariz., or the commanding officer of any training command established by the Department of the Army for the primary purpose of training personnel to operate airborne sensory devices.
- (3) For personnel approved for flying status under paragraph 12. Commanding Gen-

eral USCONARC; major oversea commanders; and The Adjutant General. Authority herein will not be redelegated.

*b.* Commands, services, and activities not coming under the jurisdiction of the authorities in *a* above, will submit requests for flying status to The Adjutant General, ATTN: AGPF-IE, Department of the Army, Washington, D.C., 20310. All such requests will contain information substantially as specified in paragraph 12. Requests for flying status orders for medical officers pursuing a course of instruction in aviation medicine will include inception and termination date of the "flight phase" of the course of instruction.

**10. Crewmember flying status.** Crewmember flying status involves the performance of duties in flight which are essential to the operation of the aircraft.

*a. Flight surgeons.*

- (1) Flight surgeons, when awarded the MOS C-3160, and senior flight surgeons, when awarded the MOS B-3160 (see AR 611-103), will be considered crewmembers under the provisions of paragraph 2-56a, AR 37-104.
- (2) Care will be exercised to insure that only those flight surgeons and senior flight surgeons who are actively engaged in the practice of aviation medicine are placed on crewmember flight status. The fol-

lowing activities are considered within the scope of actively engaged in the practice of aviation medicine in priority:

- (a) Officers undergoing formal aviation medicine training leading to a certification in that specialty.
- (b) Senior flight surgeons with primary MOS B-3160 or A-3160 in staff, command, and clinical assignment, and while attending senior service schools.
- (c) Flight surgeons who are assigned primary aviation medicine responsibilities.
- (d) Flight surgeons whose primary duties are clinical or staff medical responsibilities and who are required to practice aviation medicine as an additional responsibility.

*b. TOE or TD crew chief and flight engineer positions.* Enlisted personnel occupying these positions for the type of aircraft specified herein will be placed on flying status under this authorization. Commanders issuing orders will maintain controls to insure that the number authorized flying status based on assigned aircraft as indicated below is not exceeded.

- (1) Medium cargo helicopter—two.
- (2) Light cargo helicopter—one.
- (3) Utility helicopter—one.
- (4) Fixed wing transport airplane—one.

*c. Students undergoing crew training course.* Flying status for enlisted men undergoing a formal crewmember training course is authorized only when the pilot and mechanic are receiving simultaneous crew indoctrination and training. Flying status is not authorized for enlisted men undergoing individual crew training in mechanic training courses. Flying status orders issued under this authority will be limited specifically by the commencing and terminating dates of the course.

**11. Noncrewmember flying status.** Personnel performing essential military duties in-flight which are directly related to the in-flight mission of the aircraft may be considered for noncrewmember flying status. Care will be exercised to insure that only personnel required to accomplish the assigned mission of organizations concerned are placed on such status. To this end, duties which must be performed in-flight will be consolidated among the minimum number of personnel

feasible. Participation in aerial flights as a means of transportation or to perform duties on the ground at destination or points en route is not qualifying for flying status. TOE and TD positions or other conditions which may be qualifying for noncrewmember flying status is desired for personnel not specifically covered below, requests for authorization of flying status will be submitted under paragraph 12.

*a. Enlisted aircraft maintenance personnel.*

- (1) Aircraft maintenance supervisors, with direct supervision over aircraft crew chiefs, mechanics or repairmen, in units which regularly maintain or are equipped with a total of seven or more observation, reconnaissance, utility, or light fixed/rotary wing aircraft are authorized noncrewmember flying status. Additionally, in aviation units equipped with such aircraft, one aircraft mechanic, repairman, or technical inspector per each multiple of seven aircraft or major fraction thereof is authorized noncrewmember flying status.
- (2) Aircraft maintenance supervisors with direct supervision over aircraft flight engineers, crew chiefs, mechanics or repairmen in units which regularly maintain or are equipped with a total of two or more medium or larger cargo-type aircraft are authorized noncrewmember flying status. Additionally, in aviation units equipped with such aircraft, one aircraft mechanic, repairman, or technical inspector per each multiple of three medium or larger cargo-type aircraft or major fraction thereof.
- (3) Shop foreman positions when authorized by TOE or TD in addition to maintenance positions described in (1) and (2) above.

*b. Airborne sensory device operators.*

- (1) Student personnel undergoing training for the operation of airborne sensory devices at the Combat Surveillance and Target Acquisition Training Command, Fort Huachuca, Ariz., or at any other Department of the Army training command established for the primary purpose of training such operators.
- (2) Personnel occupying TOE or TD airborne sensory devices operator or super-

visor positions provided they are MOS qualified and the specific airborne sensory device (or devices) are authorized and available in the unit for training or combat use.

- (3) Two aerial photographer positions only in units whose normal ground mission requires the use of aircraft for air photography, mapping, or similar purposes other than combat surveillance.

*c. Air observers.* Personnel specified below in units whose normal ground mission requires the use of observation aircraft (fixed or rotary wing) for air observation purposes. Observer status is not, however, authorized in those units which employ aircraft only for the purpose of transportation. Except as indicated in (4) and (5) below, all individuals will undergo a scheduled course of instruction in air observation substantially as outlined in AR 95-51 before being placed on flying status for air observer duties. Flying status is authorized for training or air observer duties under the conditions described below. Normally, air observer duties are restricted to company grade officers and enlisted personnel. Field grade officers will only be placed on flying status to perform air observer duties under unusual and extraordinary circumstances, and then only after approval of individual request by Headquarters, Department of the Army.

- (1) *Flight phase of air observation course of instruction.*

- (a) The number of individuals in any unit authorized flying status will not exceed two trainees per authorized observation aircraft on an aggregate basis.
- (b) Individual must have completed successfully the ground school phase of the course prior to being placed on flying status.
- (c) The period of authorized flying status will be limited specifically by the commencing and terminating dates of the "flight phase." The "flight phase" of the observer training course will be for not more than 30 days.

- (2) *Full-time air observer.* Qualified personnel who occupy TOE or TD positions of full-time air observers and who have

completed a scheduled course of instruction in air observation.

- (3) *Field exercises.* During extended tactical field exercises or maneuvers, individuals, including umpire personnel, who have completed a scheduled course of instruction in air observation and who perform air observer duties as participants in the exercises. The number of individuals placed on flying status for any one month will not exceed one per observation aircraft employed in the exercise.
- (4) *Operational requirements in oversea commands.* Individuals in oversea commands only when there is an operational requirement in their unit for scheduled observer duty for military purposes other than training or transportation. Flying status for individuals concerned will remain in effect only for the duration of the requirement.
- (5) *Combat or during national emergency.* When in combat or during a national emergency, a maximum of two individuals per observation-type aircraft may be placed on flying status while performing air observer duties, provided they have accumulated a minimum of 20 hours of logged flight time as an air observer.

*d. Medical personnel.*

- (1) *Aviation medical officers.*

(a) Aviation medical officers, when awarded the MOS D-3160 (see AR 611-103), will be considered as non-crewmembers under the provisions of paragraph 2-56b, AR 37-104.

(b) Care will be taken to insure only those aviation medical officers who are actively engaged in practice of aviation medicine are placed in noncrew-member flight status. Those aviation medical officers actively engaged in practice of aviation medicine are those whose primary duty is performance of aviation medicine responsibilities and those who are required to perform these functions as additional duty.

- (2) *Medical officers.* Medical officers, when pursuing a course of instruction in avia-

tion medicine in a school conducted by one of the services of the Department of Defense, will be considered as noncrewmembers under the provisions of paragraph 2-56b, AR 37-104, during the "flight phase" of the course of instruction.

(3) *Medical aidmen.*

(a) Medical aidmen, when actively and continuously engaged in the administration of medical care and treatment of patients while being transported in flight, will be considered as noncrewmembers under the provisions of paragraph 2-56b, AR 37-104.

(b) A maximum of one medical aidman is authorized to be placed on noncrewmember flying status for each aircraft employed regularly for medical evacuation of patients.

*c. Army National Guard personnel.* Army National Guard enlisted personnel assigned in a TOE position with MOS in the 670-680-series, skill digit 1 through 7, are authorized noncrewmember flying status, provided the total in a given State does not exceed one enlisted man per seven aircraft or major fraction thereof assigned to the State. One individual of the Army National Guard in each State not otherwise having personnel eligible for noncrewmember flying status.

*f. Flight safety personnel.* Two enlisted men per field army headquarters and one per corps headquarters when assigned duties involving flight checks of the mechanical safety of aircraft of the command.

*g. ARNG and USAR adviser personnel.* Enlisted personnel occupying TOE or TD positions as aircraft maintenance advisers to organizations of the Army National Guard or U.S. Army Reserve maintaining Army aircraft.

**12. Flying status for personnel not otherwise specified.** *a.* Personnel other than those specified in paragraphs 10 and 11 who are required to perform duties in flight on a regular and frequent basis may be recommended for flying status through normal military channels to the Commanding General, U.S. Continental Army Command, major oversea commander, or The Adjutant General, ATTN: AGPF-IE, Department of the Army, Washington, D.C., 20310, as appropriate. Intermediate commanders will make recommenda-

tions when forwarding applications for consideration. Applications received by U.S. Continental Army Command or a major oversea command which appear applicable to other commands or Army-wide will be forwarded to Headquarters, Department of the Army, when consideration of change to this regulation seems appropriate.

*b.* Unless otherwise prescribed by U.S. Continental Army Command or major oversea commands for their jurisdiction, recommendations submitted under this paragraph will contain substantially the following information:

- (1) Grade, name, service number, and MOS of individual.
- (2) Title, number, and date of TOE or TD to which individual is assigned.
- (3) Paragraph number, line number, designation, MOS, and grade of position occupied by individual as shown in section II of TOE or TD.
- (4) Duty titles, MOS codes, grades, and numbers of personnel over whom the individual directly exercises work supervision, if any.
- (5) Numbers and types (designations) of aircraft being operated and/or maintained by the organization to which the individual is assigned and for which the organization is directly responsible.
- (6) Detailed description of the duties performed by the individual while flying, and an estimate of the number of hours that will be spent in aerial flight per month while performing these duties.
- (7) Grades, names, service numbers, duty titles, and MOS codes of nonaviator personnel on flying status in the requesting organization.
- (8) When an individual is recommended for flying status for the purpose of inspecting aircraft maintenance in flight, a statement to the effect that no other qualified personnel on flying status are available in adjacent units or at higher or lower echelons, or support units, for such maintenance inspection tasks.

**13. Medical qualifications.** Nonaviator personnel must meet class 3 physical standards as prescribed by AR 40-501 before being placed on flying status.

14. **Instructions for issuing and terminating orders.** *a. Authorization of flying status.* When flying status for nonaviator personnel is to cover a limited period of time only, orders will specify the dates for which flying status is authorized. Such dates will coincide with the anticipated dates of assignment to duties requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flights. However, unless confirming a verbal order of competent authority, the commencing date of flying status will not be earlier than the date of the written order.

*b. Termination of flying status.* Unless sooner terminated or suspended by the issuing authority, orders authorizing flying status will automatically terminate on the date specified in orders, upon permanent change of station or relief from assignment to the duties for which flying status was authorized, or upon separation of the individual from the Army. As an exception, new orders are not required to continue flying status in effect for personnel reenlisting at the same station without a break in service, provided orders in effect at time of separation are so worded that, by their express terms, they remain effective after separation and immediate reenlistment.

*c. Nonaviator crewmembers.* Orders issued for nonaviator crewmembers (para. 10) will specify that the individual is required to perform regular and frequent aerial flights as a crewmember, and the duties performed while flying are essential to the proper operation of the aircraft during flight. A sample wording of an order for a non-aviator crewmember is shown in figure 4.

*d. Noncrewmembers.* Orders issued for non-crewmembers (para. 11 or 12) will specify that the individual is required to perform regular and frequent aerial flights as a noncrewmember, and the duty or purpose for which flying status is authorized. Sample wording of orders for a non-crewmember is shown in figure 5.

*e. Special instructions for medical officer personnel.*

(1) *Aviation medical officers.*

- (a) Flying status orders will be issued to aviation medical officers as specified in *d* above.
- (b) The commanders listed in paragraph 9 will terminate flying status orders for

aviation medical officer if any one of the following conditions exists:

1. The officer concerned is not actively engaged in the practice of aviation medicine.
2. The officer concerned is medically disqualified. Provisions of paragraph 4, AR 600-107, apply.
3. Failure to accumulate a minimum of 24 hours flying time in a minimum of six flights during any 6-month period provided aircraft were available for such flight, or the individual is disabled from other than as a result of an aircraft accident.
4. Personal request by an aviation medical officer. The flying status of an aviation medical officer will be terminated when so requested in writing.
5. Administrative causes. This condition is imposed for circumstances not included above.

(2) *Flight surgeons.*

(a) A sample wording of flying status orders for flight surgeons and senior flight surgeons is shown in figure 6.

(b) Termination of flying status orders. In addition to reasons listed in *b* above, commanders listed in paragraph 9 will terminate flying status orders for flight surgeons or senior flight surgeons if any one of the following conditions exists:

1. The officer concerned is not actively engaged in the practice of aviation medicine.
2. The officer concerned is medically disqualified. Provisions of paragraph 4, AR 600-107, apply.
3. The officer concerned fails to fulfill minimum flight requirements.
  - (a) Failure to meet minimums outlined in (1)(b)3 above.
  - (b) Failure to fulfill the following annual minimum requirements each fiscal year: A minimum of 80 hours of flying, 20 hours of which will be accomplished during hours of darkness and 20 hours which will be cross country (5 hours will be during the hours of darkness).

- (c) Annual minimums will be reduced proportionately for officers placed on flying status throughout the current fiscal year.
  - 4. Personal request by the flight surgeon. The flying status of a flight surgeon or senior flight surgeon will be terminated when he so requests in writing.
  - 5. Administrative causes. This condition of termination is imposed for circumstances not included above.
- (3) *Medical officers.*
- (a) Flying status orders will be issued to medical officers attending a course of instruction in aviation medicine specified in paragraph 11d(2).
  - (b) Flying status orders will be valid only from inception to termination of the

“flight phase” of the course of instruction.

- (4) *Waiver of minimum flying requirements.* Aviation medical officers, flight surgeons and senior flight surgeons who fail to meet minimum flying requirements outlined in (1)(b)3 and (2)(b)3 (a) and (b) above, respectively, may submit a request for waiver of the minimum flying requirements. Such requests will be submitted through channels to the authority outlined in paragraph 9a(1), which issued their current flying status orders. The request for waiver must specify all facts which prohibit the individual from completing minimum flying requirements. The issuing authority will consider the facts of the case and terminate flying status orders when appropriate.

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(Date)

**SUBJECT:** Application for Aeronautical Designation of **Master Army Aviator**

**THRU:**

**TO:**

1. In accordance with AR 600-106, application is made for the aeronautical designation of (senior or master) Army aviator.
2. Information constituting evidence of fulfilling the qualifications for the designation is as follows:
  - a. Grade, name, service number, branch of service, and component.
  - b. Organization and station to which permanently assigned.
  - c. One copy of each of the following attached:
    - (1) Original and each succeeding order awarding an aeronautical rating or designation.
    - (2) Copy of any orders suspending or revoking flying status, exclusive of temporary suspensions, including copy of order restoring such status.
    - (3) Copy of latest DA Form 759 (Individual Flight Record—Army Aviator).

Verification of most recent renewal of instrument qualification will be entered in Item 25 "Remarks."

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(Signature)  
-----  
(Name)  
-----  
(Grade, branch, service No.)

*Figure 1. Format for letter application for aeronautical designation of senior or master Army aviator.*

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(Date)

**SUBJECT:** Application for Aeronautical Designation of (Flight Surgeon) (Senior Flight Surgeon)

**THRU:**

**TO:** The Surgeon General  
ATTN: MEDDD-PA  
Department of the Army  
Washington, D.C. 20315

1. In accordance with AR 600-106, application is made for the aeronautical designation of flight surgeon, MOS C-3100 (or senior flight surgeon, MOS B-3160).

2. Information constituting evidence of fulfilling the qualifications for this designation is as follows:

- a. Name, grade, service number, branch of service and component.
- b. Organization and station to which permanently assigned.
- c. I have (have not) served continuously on flying status and have (have not) been actively engaged in the practice of aviation medicine since date of award of rating as aviation medical officer, MOS D-3160. (If the above statement is negative, provide details concerning the cause or causes for interruption of flying status.)
- d. School of aviation medicine attended and date of graduation.
- e. Date of graduation from course in aviation medicine in the Army Aviation Center, Fort Rucker, Ala.

3. One copy of each of the following is attached:

- a. Original order awarding rating of aviation medical officer.
- b. Original flying status orders requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flights.
- c. Most recent flying status orders requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flights.
- d. Report of medical examination for Class III flying (examination must have been completed within preceding 6-month period and must include report of electrocardiogram with tracing and Report of Medical History (SF 89)).
- e. Copy of latest DA Form 759 (Individual Flight Record).
- f. Documentary evidence of having fulfilled requirements related in AR 611-103 should accompany requests for designation as senior flight surgeon.

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(Signature)

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(Name, grade, service No., branch of service)

*Figure 2. Format for letter application for aeronautical designation of flight surgeon or senior flight surgeon.*

Under the provisions of AR 600-106 and AR 37-104 (grade, name, service number, branch of service, organization, and station) is required to participate regularly and frequently in aerial flights as a crewmember, effective ----- If not sooner terminated, these orders are invalid 30 days after recall to active duty, upon assignment to an inactive status within the Reserve Component, or separation from the Reserve Component. (Grade and last name) was awarded the aeronautical designation of (Army Aviator, Senior Army Aviator, or Master Army Aviator) by par. ----, Special Orders -----, Headquarters, -----, dated -----

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*Figure 3. Sample wording of flying status order for Army aviators not on active duty.*

Under the provisions of AR 600-106 and AR 37-104 (grade, name, service number, organization, and station) is required to participate regularly and frequently in aerial flights as a crewmember. The duties performed while flying are essential to the proper operation of the aircraft during flight. Unless sooner terminated, this authorization will remain in effect following separation and immediate reenlistment at the same station without a break in service.

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 Figure 4. Sample wording for orders for a nonaviator crewmember.

1. No terminating date specified.

\* \* \* \* \*  
 Under the provisions of AR 600-106 and AR 37-104 (grade, name, service number, organization, and station), is required to participate regularly and frequently in aerial flights as a noncrewmember in connection with his duty as (purpose or descriptive title of duty). Unless sooner terminated, this authorization will remain in effect following separation and immediate reenlistment at the same station without a break in service.

\* \* \* \* \*  
 2. Limited dates specified.

\* \* \* \* \*  
 Under the provisions of AR 600-106 and AR 37-104 (grade, name, service number, organization, and station) is required to participate regularly and frequently in aerial flights as a noncrewmember from ----- to ----- while undergoing the "flight phase" of (aerial observation training). (-----)

Figure 5. Sample wording of orders for a noncrewmember.

----- (Date)  
 (SYMBOL 201 (NAME))  
 SUBJECT: Flying Status  
 TO: (Organization of Individual Concerned)  
 Under provisions of AR 600-106 and AR 37-104, ----- (Name),  
 -----, -----, Medical Corps, who has been awarded the aeronautical designa-  
 (Grade) (Service No.)  
 tion of flight surgeon (or senior flight surgeon) by paragraph ----, DA Special Orders  
 -----, (date), -----, is required to participate regularly and frequently in aerial  
 flight as a crewmember, effective -----.

APPROPRIATE AUTHORITY LINE:

Figure 6. Sample wording for flying status letter orders for Army flight surgeons.

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