

(f) *Execution of Orders.* All Ready Reserve members shall be prepared to execute mobilization orders when ordered to active duty. To ensure reporting times are met, members shall arrange in advance the handling of family, personal, business and other responsibilities. While circumstances may hinder an individual from reporting as directed, no member of the Ready Reserve shall be exempt from mobilization. Military Services shall develop specific procedures to deal with members having difficulty in mobilizing. Those persons having difficulty in executing mobilization orders due to unusual circumstances shall be guided by the following:

(1) *Deferments.* Members physically unable to report for active duty or who cannot qualify for active duty service because of temporary health disorders may be granted a deferment. This category includes Ready Reserve members who are hospitalized, unqualified temporarily for active duty for medical reasons, or incarcerated temporarily. When a deferment is granted, it shall contain written authorization and shall specify a reporting date. Members authorized a deferment shall remain obligated to enter active duty while the mobilization order remains in effect. Deferments shall not be authorized for civilian employment, civilian occupation, or for exempting members from active duty. No categories or groups shall be granted an automatic deferment except non-prior Service members with a reporting date for initial active duty.

(2) *Emergency leave.* Members with temporary personal emergencies such as death of a family member may be granted a short period of emergency leave, but only after physically reporting for active duty and receiving proper authorization.

(3) *Separation.* Continuous screening in peacetime ensures the transfer or discharge of Ready Reserve members who may not mobilize. On mobilization all members shall report for active duty as ordered. Once on active duty, a member with an unexpected hardship may request release, separation, or discharge. Services shall evaluate each request utilizing the policies established for evaluating active duty members.

(g) *Integrity of units.* Title 10, U.S. Code, section 672(c) provides that, "so far as practicable, during any expansion of the active Armed Forces that requires that units and members of the Reserve Components be ordered to active duty (other than for training), members of units organized and trained to serve as units, who are ordered to that duty without their consent, shall be so ordered with their units." Members of those units may be reassigned after being ordered to active duty (other than for training) to meet requirements of the Military Service concerned.

(h) *Extension of service.* (1) Title 10 U.S. Code sections 511(a) and 511(c) provide for extending the terms of reserve enlistments or the terms of service in Reserve Components in time of war or national emergency declared by Congress for a maximum of 6 months after the end of the war or emergency unless terminated sooner by the Secretary concerned.

(2) Section 671a of title 10 U.S. Code provides that the period of active service of a Service member is extended for the duration of any war in which the United States is engaged and for 6 months thereafter.

(3) Section 671b of title 10 U.S. Code allows the President to authorize the Secretary of Defense to extend maximally for 6 months the enlistments, appointments, and periods of active duty, periods of active duty for training, periods of obligated service or other Military Service when Congress is not in session, with a provision for Congressional review when reconvening.

(4) Section 673c of title 10 U.S. Code empowers the President to suspend any law on promoting, retiring, or separating any member of the Armed Force, whom the President finds to be essential to U.S. security.

§ 76.7 Responsibilities.

(a) The *Under Secretary of Defense (Policy) (USD(P))* shall provide overall mobilization policy and planning guidance for DoD programs with other DoD Directives.

(b) The *Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs) (ASD(RA))* shall provide policy, programs, and guidance for the management and mobilization of

the Ready Reserve, in accordance with 32 CFR part 379.

(c) The *Assistant Secretary of Defense (Force Management and Personnel) (ASD(FM&P))* shall provide policy and planning guidance for military and civilian defense manpower, in accordance with the DoD Master Mobilization Plan.

(d) The *Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs) (ASD(HA))* shall provide policy, programs, and guidance for the management and mobilization of reserve health personnel and medical assets, in coordination with ASD(RA).

(e) The *Assistant Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Logistics) (ASD(A&L))* shall provide policy, programs, and guidance for the management of Reserve Component logistical resources, installations, and associated functions, in accordance with DoD Directive 5128.1.¹

(f) The *Assistant Secretary of Defense (Public Affairs) (ASD(PA))* shall ensure a free flow of news and information to the media, other appropriate forums, and the American people, limited only by U.S. security constraints and statutory mandates.

(g) The *Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs) (ASD(LA))* shall provide specific information on mobilization activities to the jurisdictional Congressional Committee members and staff.

(h) The *Joint Chiefs of Staff* shall:

(1) Ensure that the Joint Deployment Agency (JDA), Military Transportation Management Command, and other Agencies responsible for ensuring that logistics, transportation, and other requirements for Ready Reserve mobilization may be met promptly.

(2) Ensure that JCS-sponsored mobilization exercises include realistic scenarios that facilitate Military Service testing and assessing of management and mobilization of the Ready Reserve.

(i) The *Secretaries of Military Departments* shall:

(1) Prepare mobilization plans in accordance with this part and with supplementary guidance issued by OJCS.

(2) Ensure that mobilization plans and procedures provide for all exigencies so that Ready Reserve units and

members execute their responsibilities effectively and the active DoD Components support and effectively assimilate mobilized reserve units and individuals.

(3) Conduct comprehensive assessments for ensuring that a balanced capability exists to mobilize reserve forces. The following areas should be in this assessment:

(i) Intra-CONUS transportation requirements.

(ii) Training base equipment, manpower, and facilities requirements.

(iii) Units training, equipping, and manning requirements.

(iv) Deficiencies in any of these areas should be identified and both short term and long term solutions developed.

(4) Conduct periodic mobilization and readiness tests of Selected Reserve units.

(5) Order IRR members to active duty at least 1 day each year for annual screening.

(6) Order IRR members to active duty, as necessary, for refresher skill proficiency training.

(j) The *Commandant of the Coast Guard*, with respect to the Coast Guard when it is not operating as a Service in the Navy, shall fulfill the same responsibilities with which the Secretaries of the Military Departments are charged in this part, but within the policy and fiscal parameters also established by the Secretary of Transportation.

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¹See 376.5(c)(1).