

Coast Guard Establishes Reserve Enlisted Aviation Workforce



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WASHINGTON – The U.S. Coast Guard has established a Reserve Enlisted Aviation Workforce.

In a 10 June message released by Rear Adm. Todd C. Wiemers, assistant commandant for Capabilities (CG-7) and assistant commandant for Reserve (CG-R), the Coast Guard formally established the program, which is “designed to create an aviation surge and mobilization capability, retain aviation technical expertise, and develop a career path for aviation personnel in the Reserve Component.”

Enlisted personnel eligible for the program are those in the three aviation ratings: Avionics Electrical Technician, Aviation Maintenance Technician, and Aviation Survival Technician.

“The workforce’s primary objective is to develop a ground-based aviation maintenance and aviation life-support equipment maintenance capability,” the message said. All Reserve Aviation personnel must have earned a Basic Aircrew designation and must have separated from Active Duty within the last two years.