

# *U. S. NAVAL SEA CADET CORPS*

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## **NSCC ACTION LETTER 03-08**

Subj: NSCC 2008 OFFICER SELECTION BOARD

Ref: (a) NSCC Regulations, Chapter Seven, Section Nine  
(b) NSCC/NLCC Administration Manual, w/Chg 1  
(c) NSCC Evaluation Report Form NSCADM 017 Rev 02/04 (Formally NSC-17)

1. **Purpose:** To announce the dates, procedures and policy for the 2008 lieutenant/lieutenant commander promotion board, convening on or about 16 December 2008. Promotion recommendations using NSCADM 017 must be forwarded to reach NHQ by **30 November 2008.**
  
2. **Discussion:** Selection for promotion is based on the needs of the Corps and individual performance. Reference (a) and (b) contain selection criteria, which must be met to be considered for promotion. The National Chairman will provide guidance to the board members in the form of a precept, which will emphasize those factors, deemed most important in the selection process. These include performance, leadership, excellence, and those traits which characterize individual potential for assumption of greater responsibilities associated with the next higher rank, as well as effectiveness of unit training, management, enrollments, etc. The promotion board will meet at NHQ where the officers' service records will be made available to the board. For an officer to be considered by the promotion board, he/she **must have a current (Fall 2008) recommendation** for promotion to lieutenant or lieutenant commander from her/his reporting senior.
  
3. **Action:** Reporting seniors must submit promotion recommendations for eligible officers using the NSCADM 017, reference (c). This recommendation must be to NSCC Headquarters by **30 November 2008.** Selection criteria which must be met and which the board will consider is delineated in Section 9 paragraph 0791 of reference (a) and enclosure (1) to reference (b). The pertinent requirements of reference (b) must be thoroughly reviewed. Other than the commanding officer, the promotion requirement based on enrollments in a unit is stated in chapter 5, section 2 of reference (a). Any combination of NSCC/NLCC may be used for allowance for promotion purposes. A commanding officer must meet minimum unit manning requirements (NSCC 25, NLCC15) to be eligible for promotion. Additional information is as follows:
  - a. **In extraordinary circumstances where an officer has not been able to meet the specified criteria in NSCC Regulations, a waiver request may be submitted with the NSCADM 017 giving full justification why the criteria should be waived.** The promotion recommendation will then be submitted with the waiver letter request for consideration by the board.

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- b. Along with the NSCADM 017, include a **current full-length picture** of the recommended officer. This does not need to be a professional quality picture. Polaroid or similar is acceptable. We want a full length picture!
- c. Commanding Officers and Regional staff personnel must have a recommendation submitted by the NSCC Committee Chairman and/or Regional Director if they are to be considered by the promotion board. Commanding Officers should advise their Committee Chairman of the requirement for his recommendation and follow up to insure it is submitted. Each individual is responsible to insure his recommendation gets in to NSCC NHQ on time. Remember to use the chain of command. Regional Directors are requested to closely monitor committee chairman submission. If none is forthcoming, the Regional Director may submit the recommendation.
- d. Instructor personnel recommend for appointment to officer status is not a promotion board action. This is an administrative action separate from the promotion board proceedings.
- e. Ensign to Lieutenant Junior Grade is not a promotion board action. This is to be accomplished on a year round basis when the individual has met the requirements for promotion and is recommended by the commanding officer. Selection to LTJG is accomplished through NHQ administrative action.
- f. Regional Directors and Commanding Officers are reminded that all promotion recommendations must be made in accordance with unit allowances reflected in reference (a), Chapter 5, Section 2. Waivers with good justification will be considered.

4. **Cancellation:** This Action Letter is being **distributed electronically only**. The information herein shall be given widest dissemination and is canceled on 31 December 2008.



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Executive Director

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