



NAVY RESERVE
Ready Now. Anytime, Anywhere.

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Working to make the Navy Reserve an employer of choice helps retain our talented Sailors.

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Shipmates,

Happy New Year! Your work in 2009 and prior years has earned our entire Navy Reserve Force a tremendous reputation – every day, you live up to our Force Motto: Ready Now. Anytime, Anywhere. We look forward to working with you in 2010 as we seek to continue building on our collective successes.

At any given time in 2009, more than 6,000 Navy Reserve Sailors were mobilized to active duty, supporting our warfighting efforts around the globe. In Iraq and Afghanistan, about half of the Sailors with “boots on the ground” are Reserve Component Sailors, earning the respect of our Active Component shipmates and the Marines, Soldiers, Airmen, Coast Guardsmen and allied forces we serve with. Far from home and often under arduous conditions, our Force serves with Honor, Courage and Commitment every day.

While mobilization is important, FORCM Wright and I want you to know that the Navy Reserve and the Navy as a whole values ALL of our service. We know that service can and does range from a few days per year to full-time duty. Our Navy Reserve Sailors have options that allow them to achieve a true life/work balance while they “Stay Navy” and continue contributing to our warfighting effectiveness. The flexibility we enjoy as Reserve Component Sailors is one of the many factors that make our Navy truly an “Employer of Choice.”

As an Employer of Choice, we are sought by the Nation’s best for a career of service. We are committed to developing warriors capable of leading in our Nation’s defense. We provide life-long learning and development. Our diversity reflects the face of the nation.

As an Employer of Choice, our Navy offers world-class benefits and programs that reflect the Navy’s commitment to you and your family. Take advantage of these benefit - you’ve earned them!

And while we have world-class programs and competitive benefits, the whole is far greater than the sum of the parts. The Navy Reserve is one of the Nation’s great workplaces because of who we are – from our Navy Core Values to our Navy Ethos to the Sailor’s Creed. We are the United States Navy, our Nation’s sea power – ready guardians of peace. The Navy Reserve is an important part of “America’s Navy, A Global Force for Good.” Doing real and meaningful work that makes a difference in the world is truly a priceless benefit!

You make a choice every time you go to drill, apply for orders or re-enlist – you choose to work for the Navy. By working to make the Navy Reserve an employer of choice, we help ensure that our Sailors and their families, all of us, can continue to **choose** the Navy – to be Sailors for life – enabling us to retain the valuable skills, training and experience our Navy needs. Being an employer of choice ensures that the Navy Reserve will always be **Ready Now. Anytime, Anywhere.**

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