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REGIONAL EQUIPMENT OPERATORS TRAINING SCHOOL (REOTS)

SYNOPSIS:

This supersedes A-Gram 98-14, dated April 1998. The Regional Equipment Operators Training School (REOTS) is managed and operated by the 201st RED HORSE Flight (RHF) in partnership with the Air National Guard Bureau. REOTS is located at Fort Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania. REOTS training is designed to familiarize, support, enhance, and elevate the equipment operator's proficiency on equipment used during rapid runway repair. Hands-on training is given for a week on four primary pieces of equipment: excavator, dozer, four-cubic-yard loader, and motor grader.

WHO IS SUPPORTED BY REOTS:

This program supports the Air Force Reserve, Air National Guard, and active duty equipment operators (3E2X1). All Guard and Reserve equipment operators will attend REOTS every three years due to the mandatory requirement outlined in AFI 10-210. Active duty personnel should attend REOTS shortly after attainment of their

five-skill level. The MAJCOM will determine if an active duty three-level equipment operator has the necessary skills to attend REOTS. REOTS is not intended for SNCOs or officers. SNCOs and officers may attend the site with coordination through HQ AFCEA/CEX.

HOW QUOTAS ARE FILLED:

- A message is sent annually to all MAJCOMs from HQ AFCEA/CEXR requesting their training requirements by quarter. Each MAJCOM solicits training requirements from its units.
- Each MAJCOM compiles its training requirements, then forwards them to HQ AFCEA/CEXR for scheduling.

THE PROCESS:

- HQ AFCEA/CEXR fills all Guard and Reserve requirements first.
- Once this has been accomplished, HQ AFCEA/CEXR balances the remaining requirements among all commands. There are approximately 640 slots filled per year.

UNFILLED REQUESTS:

There are two reasons why requests for REOTS training slots are not filled. The primary reason is there are more training requirements than there are training slots available. The other reason why a command's requirement will not be met is if the command did not respond to the suspense. All requirements need to be returned to AFCEA from the MAJCOMs within 40 days after the message has been

released. This is identified in the official message sent out by HQ AFCEA/CEXR.

CANCELLATIONS:

If a command has to drop a REOTS slot due to an unexpected deployment or exercise, it should notify REOTS immediately, preferably 30 days in advance. AFCEA and REOTS work together to notify MAJCOMs about any cancellations. Frequently these are short-notice cancellations and must be filled immediately. MAJCOMs that make a concerted effort to fill all of their slots are more likely to receive favorable consideration on future requests.

OTHER REFERENCES:

Air Force Catalog 36-2223 states specific requirements needed to attend REOTS. You can also visit the Readiness page on the AFCEA web site (<http://www.afcesa.af.mil>) for further information pertaining to the REOTS. The REOTS can be contacted at DSN 491-8354.

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