CNATRA INSTRUCTION 1300.2H

Subj: POLICIES AND SUPPORT OF CNATRA FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR TRAINING COURSE

1. Purpose. This instruction frames the policy of the Chief of Naval Air Training (CNATRA) for the training of prospective flight and academic instructors and the support requirements for the Flight Instructor Training Course (FITC).

2. Cancellation. CNATRAINST 1300.2G

3. Discussion. The success of the primary mission of CNATRA is dependent upon the motivation, knowledge, and professional competence of all instructors. A concentrated and continuing program of indoctrination and upgrading of the instructional skill of flight and academic instructors is necessary to achieve these objectives. CNATRA has established FITCs at Training Air Wing (TRA Wings) SIX, Naval Air Station (NAS) Pensacola (FITC (East)) and TRAWING FOUR, NAS Corpus Christi (FITC (West)).

4. Policy. The following policies are set forth:

   a. All officers assigned to the Naval Air Training Command (NATRACOM) shall complete FITC prior to qualification as a flight instructor and flying instructional flights with students.

   b. Prospective flight instructors in TRAWINGs ONE, FIVE and SIX will normally attend FITC (East) and prospective flight instructors in TRAWINGs TWO and FOUR will normally attend FITC (West).

5. Action. The following actions and responsibilities are assigned:

   a. Chief of Naval Air Training (N7)

      (1) Be the curriculum manager for the development and revision of the curricula for FITC.
(2) Designate the FITC Curriculum Coordinator (CC) within the N7 department.

(3) Monitor the effectiveness, quality, and standardization of the instruction at FITC (East) and (West).

(4) Provide COMTRAINING FOUR and COMTRAINING SIX, with all necessary instructional material for conducting and administering the FITC (West) and FITC (East) course.

b. Training Air Wing Commanders

(1) Provide instructors for FITC as required by CNATRA. CNATRA Contractor Instructor (CI) Contractor shall train and qualify FITC instructors that are highly qualified, motivated and have experience as flight instructors and will receive designation by their respective TRAWING.

(2) Ensure the responsibilities of the FITC contract instructors will be limited to: providing course instruction on Day 1, Day 2, and as coordinated with their perspective TRAWING on Day 3. FITC contract instructors will provide copies of critiques, homework reviews, and a completed FITC roster to the Ground Training Officer (GTO). ALL OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES fall under the purview of the GTO.

(3) Ensure the GTO completes the following for each FITC class:

(a) Coordinate FITC student quotas for their respective TRAWING.

(b) Coordinate Chief of Staff brief including any VTC requirements via CNATRA FITC CC.

(c) Coordinate student and instructor panels.

(d) Coordinate Commodore welcome aboard.

(e) Notify Aerospace Experimental Psychologist of briefing schedule and ensure availability for FITC dates.
(f) Reserve lecture room with appropriate audiovisual capabilities and seating.

(g) Coordinate the preparation of the original FITC roster, instructional materials, and student materials.

(h) Coordinate Tower Visit.

(i) Manage any other FITC planning, coordination, and preparation required.

(4) Submit proposed changes to the FITC curricula to CNATRA FITC CC. Provide copies of proposed changes to the FITC curriculum to TRAWING FOUR, TRAWING SIX and FITC West/East Leads.

c. **Commander, Training Air Wing FOUR**

   (1) Administer FITC (West).

   (2) Establish course convening dates and control quotas for FITC (West) coordinated between GTO of FITC East/West. Requests for quotas to FITC (West) from outside the NATRACOM will be referred to CNATRA via the GTO.

   (3) Maintain liaison with COMTRAWRING TWO and CI site manager regarding FITC (West) instructor assignment and replacement and for necessary temporary support personnel and assistance.

d. **Commander, Training Air Wing SIX**

   (1) Administer FITC (East).

   (2) Establish course convening dates and control quotas for FITC (East) through the GTO of FITC East/West. Requests for quotas to FITC (East) from outside the NATRACOM will be referred to CNATRA via the GTO.
(3) Maintain liaison with COMTRAWSING ONE, COMTRAWSING FIVE and CI site manager regarding FITC (East) instructor assignment and replacement and for necessary temporary support personnel and assistance.

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