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CNATRA INSTRUCTION 3750.26J

Subj: NAVAL AIR TRAINING COMMAND AIRCRAFT MISHAP BOARDS

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 3750.6S
(b) CNATRAININST 3750.23M

1. Purpose. To establish the Chief of Naval Air Training (CNATRA) policy for the composition of aircraft mishap investigation boards.
2. Cancellation. CNATRAININST 3750.26H
3. Background. Aircraft Mishap Boards (AMBs) provide structure and expertise to an aircraft mishap investigation. The board is designed to facilitate the investigation whose purpose is to identify the causal factors of the mishap, damage, and/or injury occurring in the course of the mishap and associated hazards, as well as provide recommendations to prevent recurrence of the hazard. AMB membership is intended to afford the greatest objectivity to the accident investigation in the interest of mishap prevention. Thorough pre-mishap AMB training and decisive identification of AMB members can reduce the initial chaos associated with aircraft mishaps and are integral to an effective Aviation Safety Management System.
4. Appointment of AMBs. Training Air Wing (TRAWING) Commanders and squadron Commanding Officers are the designated appointing authority for AMB members. The AMB appointing authority (squadron or TRAWING) for a specific mishap is governed by reference (b). Each squadron and TRAWING shall maintain a standing AMB. AMB members shall be appointed per reference (a).
5. Basic AMB Composition. AMB composition is governed by reference (a). For mishaps where the TRAWING Commander has the responsibility for reporting and investigating a mishap per reference (b), the TRAWING Commander may draw AMB members from any combination of the standing TRAWING AMB or any squadron AMB under his or her command.
6. Action
 - a. All Naval Air Training Command squadrons that execute a flight schedule and all TRAWINGs will establish and maintain a standing AMB. Additionally, training squadrons shall appoint a sufficient number of alternate members to the AMB to ensure trained members are available taking into account normal leave, TAD, cross countries, out and ins, etc. Minimum number of

alternate members required is four to include an alternate senior member, an alternate operations member, an alternate maintenance member, and an alternate Aviation Safety Officer (ASO). If a squadron does not have an ASO course graduate to designate as the alternate ASO, an ASO from the TRAWING or a sister squadron may be designated. The alternate senior member may be an O4 and does not need to meet the requirements to be a senior member for a Class A AMB. Each squadron shall provide an AMB membership list to their respective TRAWING Commander.

b. AMB training shall be conducted quarterly.

c. In the event of an aircraft mishap, the TRAWING Commander or training squadron Commanding Officer, as directed in reference (b), shall convene the AMB, initiate the investigation and make all reports per references (a) and (b). For all aviation Class A mishaps, the TRAWING Commander shall appoint an AMB senior member meeting the requirements of reference (a). Per reference (a), if the desired senior member is not a graduate of the ASO or aviation command course, permission must be obtained from CNATRA prior to appointment.

d. For mishaps involving an aircraft assigned to one TRAWING Commander and flown by a pilot from another TRAWING, reference (b) governs the unit responsible for convening the AMB, investigating and reporting an aviation mishap.

e. Each TRAWING will maintain a notice listing all U.S. Navy Commanders, U.S. Marine Corps Lieutenant Colonels and above who are eligible to serve as senior AMB members in Class A mishaps. The listing shall include their billet title, date of rank, aviation and safety qualifications.

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