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CNATRA INSTRUCTION 3750.26H

Subj: NAVAL AIR TRAINING COMMAND AIRCRAFT MISHAP BOARDS

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 3750.6R
(b) CNATRAINST 3750.23L

1. Purpose. To establish the Chief of Naval Air Training (CNATRA) policy for the composition of aircraft mishap investigation boards.
2. Cancellation. CNATRAINST 3750.26G
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 cause 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 Program.
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 at least one standing AMB. AMB members shall be appointed per reference (a). It is recommended that units appoint a sufficient number of AMB members to ensure trained AMB members are available taking into account normal leave, TAD, etc. On all aviation Class A mishap investigations, the senior member shall be from a command not involved in the mishap - preferably from outside the expected endorsing chain. Per reference (a), only Naval Aviators and Naval Flight Officers from the U.S. Navy or U.S. Marine Corps may be appointed as senior members of any AMB. Squadron Commanding Officers and Executive Officers from services other than the U.S. Navy or U.S. Marine Corps may be assigned to squadron AMBs, but may not be assigned as senior member.
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

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any combination of the standing TRAWING AMB or any squadron AMB under his or her command.

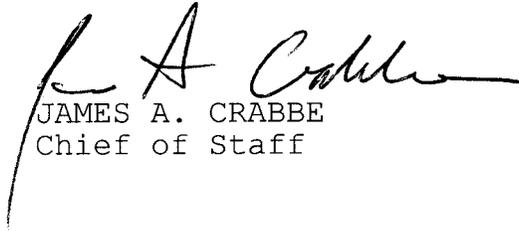
6. Action

a. All Naval Air Training Command squadrons and wings will establish and maintain a standing AMB. AMB training and mishap preparation will be conducted per reference (a). Each squadron shall provide an AMB membership list to their respective TRAWING Commander.

b. 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 will notify CNATRA, via the Mishap Data Report, of the appointed AMB senior member meeting the requirements of reference (a).

c. 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.

d. 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 safety qualifications and aircraft type(s) in which qualified.



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