

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING OF RESERVE OBLIGATION AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The proponent agency is NGB-ARH. The prescribing directive is AR 135-91

This statement will be completed by all individuals enlisting or reenlisting into the Army National Guard and will be certified yearly in accordance with AR 135-91.

This annex becomes part of the DD Form 4. The original will be maintained in the Soldier's Official Military Personnel File or electronically filed in a DoD approved system. A copy will be maintained by the MILPO for state records.

OBLIGATIONS & RESPONSIBILITIES

I, the undersigned, have been counseled relative to my Reserve obligation and responsibilities. I have received a full orientation in accordance with AR 135-91 and I fully understand that I must participate satisfactorily during the entire period of my enlistment in the ARNG in accordance with the rules and regulations now in effect, or which may be hereafter placed into effect, by proper authority. Satisfactory participation in the Ready Reserve currently is defined as follows:

1. After completing my active duty for training (if required), I will serve the remaining period of my enlistment with my assigned unit unless the option I selected provided for transfer to the Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) or Inactive National Guard (ING) after a period of time in my unit.
2. I will be required to attend all scheduled unit training assemblies (at least 48 per year) unless I am excused by proper authority. (A soldier who attends a scheduled unit training assembly must be in the prescribed uniform, present a neat soldierly appearance, and perform his/her duties in a satisfactory manner to receive credit for attendance.) In the event I do not receive credit for attendance for any of the reasons explained, I will be charged with an unexcused absence.
3. As a member of a unit I will be required to satisfactorily complete one period of annual training of not less than 15 days per year, exclusive of travel time unless excused there from by proper authority.
4. If through reasons beyond my control, I lose my unit assignment and am assigned by proper authority to the IRR, I may be required to complete a period of not more than 30 days active duty for training each year.
5. If I change residence to a location too distant to permit continued participation with my unit, I should apply for an interstate transfer, if applicable, or I will be authorized a period of not more than 90 days of excused absence from training. During this 90-day period I must locate and join another Reserve Component unit.
6. I will be responsible for keeping my DD Form 93, Emergency Locator Data, updated and current and providing my contact information to my local servicing personnel office.
7. I will be responsible for replying to and complying with all official orders and correspondence which I may receive.
8. I will be required to contact my unit or designated representative, should any condition arise that precludes my attendance of a scheduled training period.
9. If there is a change in my personal status that affects my ability to participate regularly with my unit, I must continue to attend scheduled training assemblies until excused or until relieved of my unit of assignment by proper authority.
10. If I accrue 9 or more unexcused absences during any continuous 365 day period, or fail to participate satisfactorily for any of the reasons explained or which may be placed into effect hereafter by proper authority, I may be declared an unsatisfactory participant and subject to reduction in grade and discharge from the ARNG and transfer to the IRR.
11. During the entire period of this enlistment, while I am a member of the Ready Reserve and the ARNG, I may at any time be ordered to active duty involuntarily as a member of a unit in the event of a war or national emergency declared by the Congress or the President of the United States, or in the event of an emergency declared by the Governor of the State, or under any other conditions authorized by law in effect at the time of my enlistment or which may hereafter be enacted into law. I understand that I must comply with said orders.

CERTIFICATION UPON ENLISTMENT/REENLISTMENT

I, the undersigned, having voluntarily elected to become a member of an ARNG unit, acknowledge that all of the conditions of such membership as outlined above were read and explained to me by the certifying official named below. I have been advised of my responsibilities with respect to satisfactory participation in the Army National Guard and I understand them.

NAME: (Last, First, MI)

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE SIGNED:

CERTIFYING OFFICIAL

I certify that I have read and explained all the conditions and stipulations set forth above. A copy of this certificate was furnished to the above named individual.

NAME: (Last, First, MI)

GRADE, & TITLE:

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE SIGNED:

Soldier's Name: (Last, First MI)

ANNUAL ORIENTATION

This statement will be initialed by the soldier any time a change is made by regulation that affects the soldier's service obligation.

1. I acknowledge that as a member of the Army National Guard, I have received my annual orientation according to AR 135-91 regarding my military service obligations, and have been appraised of and understand these obligations and participation requirements to include the consequences of my failure to participate satisfactorily.

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2. Remarks (Entries in this section, which affect the soldier's service obligation, method of fulfillment, or participation requirements, must be dated and initialed by the soldier or they are not applicable.) If more space is needed for items in this section, continue on a separate sheet of 8 1/2 x 11 inch plain bond paper and attach to this form.