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NOTE: This part is derived from Air Force Regulation 53-10, October 22, 1985.

Part 806 of this chapter states the basic policies and instructions governing the dis-

closure of records and tells members of the public what they must do to inspect or obtain copies of the material referenced herein.

#### § 901.0 Purpose.

This part tells civilian and enlisted personnel (including Air Force Reserve and National Guard) the methods of applying and the requirements and procedures for appointing young men and women to the United States Air Force Academy.

NOTE: This part is affected by the Privacy Act of 1974. The systems of records prescribed in this part are authorized by 10 U.S.C., chapter 903; and 10 U.S.C. 8012. Each form that is subject to the provisions of part 806b.5 of this chapter, and is required by this part, contains a Privacy Act Statement either incorporated in the body of the document or in a separate statement accompanying each such document.

#### Subpart A—Appointment Policies and Requirements

##### § 901.1 General policy.

Appointments as U.S. Air Force Academy cadets are offered to those candidates having the strongest potential to become successful career officers. Offers of appointment are made according to the law and guidance provided by HQ USAF to most effectively accomplish the Academy's mission. All candidates are appointed as cadets under the authority of the President; however, an appointment is conditional until the candidate is admitted.

##### § 901.2 Appointments and nominations.

Appointments and nominations are based on statutory authority contained in 10 U.S.C., chapter 903. Specific authorities may nominate eligible applicants for appointment vacancies at the Academy. Each applicant must obtain a nomination to receive an appointment. Applicants may apply for a nomination in each category in which they are eligible.

##### § 901.3 Categories of nominations for appointment.

All appointees must have a nomination in at least one of the following categories:

(a) Congressional and U.S. Possessions categories include the following nominating authorities:

- (1) U.S. Senators and Representatives.
- (2) Delegates in Congress from the District of Columbia, Guam, Virgin Islands, and American Samoa.
- (3) Resident Commissioner of Puerto Rico.
- (4) Governor of Puerto Rico.
- (5) Administrator of the Panama Canal Commission.
- (b) Vice-Presidential category.
- (c) Presidential competitive category.
- (d) Children of deceased or disabled veterans and children of military or civilian personnel in missing status competitive category.
- (e) Honor military and honor Naval schools, Air Force Reserve Officers' Training Corps (AFROTC), and Air Force Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (AFJROTC) competitive category.
- (f) Children of Medal of Honor recipients category.
- (g) Air Force enlisted regular competitive category.
- (h) Air Force enlisted reserve competitive category.
- (i) Superintendent competitive category.
- (j) Foreign students competitive category (40 foreign persons designated to receive instruction under 10 U.S.C. 9344).

**§ 901.4 Basic eligibility requirements.**

Each applicant must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- (a) *Age.* Applicants must be at least 17, and not have passed their 22nd birthday on July 1 of the year of entry into the Academy.
- (b) *Citizenship.* Except for students sponsored by foreign governments under 10 U.S.C. 9344, applicants must be citizens or nationals of the United States. All incoming cadets must verify citizenship status before admission:
  - (1) For American-born citizens, certified birth certificate presented to the Director of Admissions (USAFA/RRS), U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs CO 80840-5651 before administration of oath of appointment.

(2) Foreign cadets must present certified copies of certificates of arrival and nationalization or citizenship to USAFA/RRS before administration of oath of appointment.

NOTE: Facsimiles, copies, photographs or otherwise of birth certificate or certificate of citizenship will not be accepted unless properly certified by the raised seal of the issuing authority.

(c) *Domicile.* If nominated by an authority designated in the Congressional and U.S. Possessions categories, the applicant must be domiciled within the constituency of such authority.

(d) *Exemplary standards.* Applicants must be of highest moral character, personal conduct, and integrity. The Academy requires applicants to explain or clarify any of the circumstances below. For any military applicant or nominee whose official records indicate questionable background, commanders furnish the applicable information to USAFA/RRS.

(1) Applicant is or has been a conscientious objector. In this case, an affidavit is required stating that such beliefs and principles have been abandoned so far as they pertain to willingness to bear arms and give full and unqualified military service to the United States.

(2) Any facts that indicate the applicant's appointment may not be consistent with the interests of national security.

(3) Conviction by court-martial of other than a "minor offense" (MCM, 1984, part V, paragraph 1e, page V-1) or conviction of a felony in a civilian court.

(4) Elimination from any officer training program or any preparatory school of the Army, Navy, or Air Force Academies for military inaptitude, indifference, or undesirable traits of character. This includes any person who resigned in lieu of impending charges or who was eliminated by official action.

(5) Habitual alcohol misuse or drug abuse which exceeds the standards of AFR 30-2 is disqualifying.

(6) Any behavior, activity, or association showing the applicant's conduct is incompatible with exemplary standards of personal conduct, moral character, and integrity.