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OFFICER VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
FOR APPOINTMENT/INITIAL APPOINTMENT TO THE
TEXAS AIR NATIONAL GUARD

POSITION: Special Operations Weather Officer (2 Vacancies) **ANNOUNCEMENT:** 09-118

AFSC: J015W3

ISSUE DATE: 18 Nov 09

GRADE: 2nd Lt/O-1 to Maj/O-4

CLOSING DATE: Until Filled

LOCATION: 181st Weather Flight
Carswell Field, Fort Worth, TX 76127

Note: Candidate must pass an Army Airborne PT test or be Airborne qualified before entry will be allowed into 181 WF. Upon selection, the candidate will have to complete the required training within one year of selection or as school dates become available.

****SEE REVERSE FOR SUMMARY OF MINIMUM POSITION QUALIFICATIONS****

HOW TO APPLY USAF, AF Reserves or ANG commissioned **officers** will submit a completed AF 1288 (Application for Reserve Assignment), copies of the last 3 OPRs, resume, records review rip < 60 days old from close date, letter of introduction, current passing fitness test results, letters of recommendation. The AF Form 1288 and records review rip can be obtained from your Commander Support Staff (CSS) or servicing Military Personnel Flight (MPF).

All other applicants will submit a completed AF Form 24 (Application for Appointment), AFOQT scores, **certified** college transcripts, personal resume with cover letter, letters of recommendation. AF Form 24 and resume will be detailed chronologically of civilian and military experience with special emphasis on areas of experience and education related to position applying for.

PERSONAL INTERVIEWS: Applicants must be available for interview. Applications will be reviewed and qualified applicants will be notified to meet the Selection Board. Applicants will be notified by phone/mail of interview time and place. Payment for travel is **NOT AUTHORIZED**.

NOTE: The Adjutant General will not look favorably upon personnel who apply and are selected for a position in one geographical area and subsequently request to be transferred to another area because of the commuting distance involved. All applicants will receive consideration for this position without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, sex, political affiliation, kinship, and other non-merit factors.

POSITION QUALIFICATIONS

★ **1. Specialty Summary.** Commands, manages, and performs weather operations for Air Force and Army activities. Integrates current and forecast atmospheric and space weather conditions into operations and operational planning. Develops, directs, and coordinates meteorological and space weather studies and research. Supports and executes weather operations through leadership and management of weather centers, groups, squadrons, weather flights/detachments. Supports Air Force core weather responsibility to provide meteorological and space weather information for DoD air, ground, and space operations. Related DoD Occupational Group: 250200.

2.1. Leads weather units and manages AF weather personnel and resources. Analyzes and evaluates meteorological data and prepares forecast products. Integrates weather analyses and reports with radar and satellite imagery interpretations. Makes mission forecasts. Briefs aircrews and staff personnel on current and forecast weather. Instructs personnel on application of weather to operations, and interpretation and use of meteorological products. Performs global analysis and forecast duties at weather and space centers. Provides weather warnings and advisories for adverse weather to worldwide DoD installations. Provides mission tailored forecasts for special and joint operations. Directs taking, recording, reporting, and plotting of meteorological and space weather observations, analysis of data, preparation of forecasts and other prognostic products and use of meteorological equipment. Makes and directs studies to improve forecasting. Advises commanders and their staffs on capabilities and limitations of weather operations.

2.2. Conducts and directs meteorological, astrophysical, and geophysical studies. Prepares and adapts specialized forecast, climatology, and other weather studies for operational use. Identifies weather sensitivities and shortfalls, and recommends modifications of instruments, equipment, and products to improve weather service to weapon systems and technologies. Prepares publications on observing, analyzing, and forecasting meteorological, solar, astrophysical, and geophysical parameters. Recommends changes in weather services dictated by advances in military weapons, tactics, and doctrine. Provides meteorological consultation for research activities, and directs gathering and preparing of data for specialized weather support activities. Coordinates atmospheric and space research activities with military and civilian agencies. Develop and leverage environmental sensing strategies and capabilities to characterize the four-dimensional battlespace environment and predictive analysis. Incorporate weather effects based on combat critical weather thresholds across the spectrum of mission profiles and into intelligence and operational preparation of the environment, command and control, and military decision making processes.

2.3. Provides technical meteorological services. Prepares and directs weather resources to support operational objectives. Writes directives on operational techniques and procedures to observe, analyze, and forecast atmospheric and space phenomena. Supervises and documents Special Operations Weather Team (SOWT) tactics, techniques and procedures and exploits SOWT capabilities. Directs and prepares studies and reports to evaluate weather support requirements.

2.4. Leads weather teams in support of Air Force, Army, and Joint missions. Serves as staff weather officer to commanders, focal point for all weather sensitivities in and around the battlespace. Leads weather personnel in training, rehearsals, and contingency operations.

3.1. Knowledge. The following knowledge is mandatory for award of the AFSC indicated:

3.1.1. 15W3. Air Force weather observing and forecasting procedures and techniques.

3.1.2. 15W3A. Meteorological or space science research.

3.1.3. 15W3C. Special Operations Weather. In addition to 15W3 knowledge requirements, knowledge of advanced field skills, environmental reconnaissance tactics, techniques and procedures, and leadership of small unit tactical operations in the joint special operations arena.

3.2. Education. The following education is mandatory for entry into the AFSC indicated:

3.2.1. 15W1. Successful completion of the Basic Meteorology Program (BMP) (see note 2) or completion of 24 semester hours of college-level courses in meteorology, including 6 semester hours of dynamic meteorology and six semester hours of weather analysis and forecasting. Also, undergraduate academic specialization in meteorology or atmospheric science is desirable. AFOCD, 31 October 2009.

3.2.2. 15W3A. Completion of 30 semester hours of graduate work with an emphasis in meteorology and space weather science.

3.3. Training. The following training is mandatory for award of the AFSC indicated:

3.3.1. For award of 15W3, completion of the Weather Officer Course (WOC) (E3OBR15W1 0A1B).

3.3.2. For award of 15W3B, completion of the following courses:

3.3.2.1. Completion of the Weather Officer Course (WOC) (E3OBR15W1 0A1B).

3.3.2.2. Evasion and Conduct After Capture (ECAC) (S-V88).

3.3.2.3. Battlefield Weather Course (BWC) (E5OSA15W3 0A1A).

3.3.2.4. Weather Flight/Detachment Officer Course (E3OCR15W3 0A1B).

3.3.3. For award of AFSC 15W3C, completion of the following courses:

3.3.3.1. Completion of the Weather Officer Course (WOC).

3.3.3.2. Airborne Parachutist Course (L9AQA1XXXX0A1A).

3.3.3.3. Survival, Escape, Resistance, and Evasion (SERE) Training (S-V80-A).

3.3.3.4. Water Survival Course (S-V90-A).

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3.3.3.5. Underwater Egress Training (S-V84-A).

3.3.3.6. Special Operations Weather Apprentice Course OR Weather Flight/Detachment Officer Course (E3OCR15W3 0A1B) and an initial combat field skills course (e.g., Battlefield Weather Course), and the Introduction to Special Operations Course (SOED-ISOC).

3.4. Experience. The following experience is mandatory for award of the AFSC indicated:

3.4.1. 15W3. A minimum of 12 months of experience in an Operational Weather Squadron (OWS), weather flight/detachment or other weather element.

3.4.2. 15W3A. Qualification and possession of 15W3.

3.4.3. 15W3C. Qualification and possession of 15W3.

3.5. Other.

3.5.1. Specialty requires routine access to Top Secret material or similar environment. For award and retention of AFSCs 15WXX, completion of a current Single Scope Background Investigation (SSBI) according to AFI 31-501, *Personnel Security Program Management*, is mandatory (see note 1).

3.5.2. Must speak English distinctly.

3.5.3. Must maintain an Air Force Network License IAW AFI 33-115, Vol 2, *Licensing Network Users and Certifying Network Professionals*.

3.5.4. For award and retention of 15W3C:

3.5.4.1. Males only IAW SECDEF Combat Exclusion Policy.

3.5.4.2. Entry-level qualification requires attaining or exceeding the minimum physical entry standards for entry to Special Operations Weather Apprentice /Combat Control Apprentice Course (L3ABP1C231 0C1B).

3.5.4.3. Physical qualification for parachute duty (Class III Flight Physical) IAW AFI 48-123, Vol 2, *Medical Examinations and Standards*.

3.5.4.4. Normal depth perception.

3.5.4.5. Physical qualification and maintenance of personal physical standards as defined in AFI 13-219, *Special Tactics Operator Standards and Evaluation Program*.

3.5.4.6. Qualification to operate government vehicles according to AFI 24-301, *Vehicle Operations*.

3.5.4.7. Qualification, currency, and proficiency as static line parachutist.

3.5.4.8. Must maintain eligibility to deploy and mobilize worldwide.

3.5.4.9. Qualified to bear firearms according to AFI 31-207, *Arming and Use of Force By Air Force Personnel*; and AFI 36-2226, *Combat Arms Training and Maintenance (CATM)*.

NOTES

1: Award of the entry level without a completed SSBI is authorized provided initial SSBI paperwork has been submitted according to AFI 31-501.

2: USAFA/AFROTC/OTS cadets may volunteer to attend the BMP if they have met the minimum BMP entry requirements of 6 semester hours of college calculus and 6 semester hours of college calculus-based physics.

4. *Specialty Shredout:

Suffix Portion of AFS to Which Related

A..... Advanced Weather Activities

B..... Battlefield Weather

C..... Special Operations Weather

All questions regarding this announcement should be directed to MSgt Michael Butzlaff at commercial (817) 852-3235 or DSN: 874-3235.

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