



## PR - Aircrew Survival Equipmentman

Aircrew Survival Equipmentman are responsible for keeping parachutes, life rafts, personal flight gear, and other aviation survival gear in proper working condition. These technicians may also volunteer to fly as Naval aircrew. Aircrew perform numerous inflight duties and operate aircraft systems in turbojet, helicopter, or propeller aircraft. Aircrew earn additional pay for flying. (See the Aircrew Program for details.)

In addition, PRs may volunteer for programs such as SEAL Team or EOD. (See the Special Warfare Program for details.)

### WHAT THEY DO

- Inspecting, maintaining and repairing survival equipment, flight gear and protective clothing (anti-gravity suits etc.);
- Using, adjusting, maintaining and repairing sewing machines;
- Inspecting and testing oxygen regulators, liquid oxygen converters and safety equipment;
- Repairing, packing and rigging parachutes;
- Equipping and packing life rafts; manufacturing various types of fabric work and webbing assemblies used in survival equipment.



### CAREER PATH AFTER RECRUIT TRAINING

Enlistees are taught the fundamentals of this rating through on-the-job training or formal Navy schooling. Advanced technical and operational training is available in this rating during later stages of career development.

School	Present Location	Approximate Training Time	Subjects	Training Methods
PR Core and Strand "A" School	NTTC Pensacola, FL	Approximately 12 weeks	Aviation basic theory and basic skills required for rating	Group instruction and practical application

After "A" school, most Aircrew Survival Equipmentmen are assigned to squadrons, aircraft carriers or other Navy ships carrying aircraft, or Naval Air Stations. There they learn more advanced skills in their rating through on-the-job training. PRs going to intermediate level maintenance for their first assignment will attend a four-week "A" school strand following basic core "A" school. Advanced technical and operational training is also available in this rating during later stages of career development. During a 20-year period in the Navy, PRs spend about 50 percent of their time assigned to fleet units and 50 percent to shore stations

### WORKING ENVIRONMENT



Duties in the PR rating are usually performed indoors in aircraft hangars and on board carriers. They also may work outdoors on flight decks and on Naval Air Station flight lines.

### OPPORTUNITIES



The opportunities for placement in this rating are good for qualified applicants. About 1,600 men and women work in the PR rating.

### QUALIFICATIONS & INTERESTS



Personnel in the PR rating should be people-oriented, have a good memory, be resourceful, meticulous at detail work and record keeping, possess good manual dexterity and have an orientation toward tools, equipment and machines. They must be able to work well as part of a team. Helpful attributes are curiosity, writing and speaking skills and physical fitness. PRs must possess a complete awareness and appreciation of details and be able to follow through every step of the way.



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### MANAGE A NAVY CAREER WITH NAVY LADR

See the Navy LaDR (**Learning and Development Roadmap**) for this rating:

PR [https://www.cool.navy.mil/usn/LaDR/pr\\_e1\\_e9.pdf](https://www.cool.navy.mil/usn/LaDR/pr_e1_e9.pdf)



### EARN COLLEGE CREDIT

The American Council on Education recommends that semester hour credits be awarded in the vocational certificate and lower-division bachelor's / associate's degree categories for courses taken in this rating on word processing or data entry applications and office management procedures. See the college credits available via a **Joint Services Transcript** for this rating:

PR [https://www.cool.navy.mil/usn/jst/pr\\_jst.pdf](https://www.cool.navy.mil/usn/jst/pr_jst.pdf)



### EARN DEPARTMENT OF LABOR (DOL) NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED APPRENTICESHIPS

The United Services Military Apprenticeship Program (**USMAP**) is a formal military training program that provides active duty and Full Time Support (FTS) Service members the opportunity to improve their job skills and to complete their civilian apprenticeship requirements while they are on active duty. The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) provides the nationally recognized "Certificate of Completion" upon program completion.

Visit United Services Military Apprenticeship Program (**USMAP**) for apprenticeships:

<https://usmap.netc.navy.mil/usmapss/static/navyRates.htm>



### EARN INDUSTRY RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

Navy COOL catalogs and defines comprehensive information on occupational credentials - including certifications, licenses, and apprenticeships - correlating with every Navy rating and some collateral duties. It provides "how to" instructions for pursuing these credentials, links to credentialing organizations, and cross-references to programs that help Sailors pay for credentialing fees. Shortly following the initial rating technical training (Class "A" technical school), Sailors may be able to take advantage of earning civilian/industry certifications & licenses (credentials), funded through Navy COOL.

### EARN SKILL SETS TOWARDS CIVILIAN RELATED OCCUPATIONS

The skill sets for this rating crosswalk to civilian related occupations listed by the U.S. Department of Labor. See Related Civilian, Federal and Military Sealift Command Occupations for this rating on Navy COOL.

Visit the **Navy COOL website**:

PR <https://www.cool.navy.mil/usn/enlisted/pr.htm>



### EMPOWER YOUR CAREER PLANNING, DECISION MAKING, AND PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

MilGears is an online, self-assessment tool that guides users through a series of questions and selections regarding their military training, duty assignments, off-duty education, credentialing, and in-Service and post-Service goals. The resultant output of the tool provides users a personalized assessment of what civilian credentials and career pathways that may be immediately attainable and nearly attainable, how to fill any gaps, and next steps to accomplish their civilian credentialing and career pathways programs goals. The tool also shows users "best-fit" post-Service occupations and resources to explore those post-Service occupations.

For more information about MilGears – Powered by COOL, visit <https://milgears.osd.mil>

### DOWNLOAD THE NAVY COOL APP

Navy COOL App (iOS):

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/navycool/id1053982994?ls=1&mt=8>

Navy COOL App (Android):

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.tracen.navycool>



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