

ANNEX 84A

CT SPECIALISATION PROMOTION FLOWCHART – ENTRY PRIOR TO 1 NOV 06 (DIRECT ENTRANTS) / 1 SEP 07 (SIDEWAYS ENTRANTS)

**Entry Qualifications**

Nationality ([Para 8403](#) refers)

Education standards – GCSE Grade C or better in English Language and Mathematics

Visual Acuity – 6/18

Hearing 2:2 – Standard hearing: Colour Perception 4

Age - 16-37 years

Selected for General Service/Warfare Branch/CT Specialisation

[Earlier rules covering Communications Technicians are archived in BR1066]

**PETTY OFFICER COMMUNICATIONS TECHNICIAN**

- a. Completed Senior Rates Leadership Course (SRLC) and recorded as JPA competency 'Miscellaneous|Senior Rates Leadership Course (RNLA 103)|Navy|'.
- b. Three years' seniority as a POCT less accelerated advancement.
- c. Passed PQE for CPO (CPOCTPQE). (see [Para 8401 sub para b](#)) (1)
- d. Recommended for advancement.
- e. In date for RNFT or waiver obtained on date due advancement; recorded under JPA competency 'CMS|Fitness Test|Navy|'. (4)
- f. At least 6 months since last career check (if any) on date due advancement.

Advanced to  
**CHIEF PETTY OFFICER COMMUNICATIONS TECHNICIAN**

**Warrant Officer 2 Communications Technician - Pre-Selection Requirements**

- a. Minimum of 3 years' seniority as CPOCT 12 months prior to the CPD ([Para 6703 b sub para \(3\)](#)).
- b. Serving on a Full Career (FC)/OE1 or Extended Career (EC)/2OE that expires after the nominated Common Promotion Date (CPD) ([Para 6703 b sub para \(7\)](#)).
- c. Recommended for promotion on Appraisal Report at Common Reporting Date(CRD).
- d. In date for RNFT or waiver obtained on CRD; recorded under JPA competency 'CMS|Fitness Test|Navy|'. (3)
- e. To be educationally qualified for promotion (EFP) in accordance with [Para 9642](#). Must have achieved minimum Level 2 Functional Skills (or equivalent) in English and Mathematics and the appropriate competence recorded on JPA.

**Warrant Officer 2 Communications Technician - Pre-Promotion Requirements**

- f. Completed Professional Qualifying Course (PQC) for WO2CT by nominated CPD+12 months. (5)
- g. In date RNFT or waiver obtained at nominated CPD (or when eligible for promotion (if later)); recorded as JPA competency 'CMS|Fitness Test|Navy|'. (4)
- h. At least 6 months since last career check (if any) on nominated CPD or date due promotion (if later).

Promoted to  
**WARRANT OFFICER 2 COMMUNICATIONS TECHNICIAN**

**Warrant Officer 1 Communications Technician - Pre-Selection Requirements**

- a. Minimum of 3 years' seniority as WO2CT 12 months prior to the CPD.
- b. To be EFP in accordance with [Para 9642](#). Must have achieved minimum Level 2 Functional Skills (or equivalent) in English and Mathematics and the appropriate competence recorded on JPA.
- c. Serving on FC/OE1 or EC/2OE that expires after the nominated CPD.
- d. Recommended for promotion on Appraisal Report at CRD.
- e. In date for RNFT or waiver obtained on CRD; recorded under JPA competency 'CMS|Fitness Test|Navy|'. (3)

**Warrant Officer 1 Communications Technician - Pre-Promotion Requirements**

- f. In date RNFT or waiver obtained at nominated CPD (or when eligible for promotion (if later)); recorded as JPA competency 'CMS|Fitness Test|Navy|'. (4)
- g. At least 6 months since last career check (if any) on nominated CPD or date due promotion (if later).
- h. Satisfy terms of Assignment Order issued by Promotion Authority.

Promoted to  
**WARRANT OFFICER 1 COMMUNICATIONS TECHNICIAN**

**Notes:**

1. **PQE for CPOCT.** Ratings may apply to take the PQE for CPOCT at any time after one year in the rate of POCT. The purpose of the PQE is to identify the candidate's suitability as a potential Team/Watch Leader on an operational CESM platform. The examination is conducted over a four day period and candidates will be required to provide the following:

- a. Evidence of Reporting & Management scenario skills.
- b. Answers to Flag level Questions.
- c. General Naval Knowledge.
- d. Current affairs.

*Application for the CPO PQE is to be made to the SCU signed by the Commanding Officer of the ship or unit). The SCU will notify Commanding Officers of PQE results. The rating's History Sheet should then be annotated accordingly. Successful candidates will be promoted on date due by service - less any accelerated advancement due. All re-sit examinations are held at SCU.*

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3. **RNFT (at CRD).** Ratings are to be in date RNFT or in possession of either a permanent medical exemption as issued by a NSMBOS or temporary exemption (as issued by the Commanding Officer) on the appropriate CRD. See [Para 6720](#).

4. **RNFT (at CPD).** Ratings are to be in date RNFT or in possession of either a permanent medical exemption as issued by a NSMBOS or temporary exemption (as issued by the Commanding Officer) on the appropriate CPD (or later) or on advancement. See [Para 6720](#).

5. **Failure to complete Professional and/or Leadership Course.** Refer to [Para 6716](#) for rules on the impact on a rating's promotion if he/she fails to complete PQC and/or LRLC/SRLC before CPD or within 12 months of CPD as a result of service reasons, non-service reasons (outwith control) or non-service reasons (within control).