

# ***DACOWITS RFI #A2***

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# ***DACOWITS - Navy Co-location Policy # A2***

## **What is your Services' co-location policy?**

- The Navy supports the co-location of all Navy members married to other military members.
- Every reasonable effort is made for military couples to move together and establish a joint household whenever possible.
- Normally, the co-location assignment will be one member on shore duty, the other on sea duty.

## **Who may utilize this policy?**

- The Navy's spouse co-location policy applies to members married to other military members.



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## **Are there any restrictions on who may apply for co-location (e.g., first term enlistments)?**

- There are no restrictions on who may apply, however co-location is not always possible. The following represent possible restrictions or limitations to co-location:
  - Per DoDI 1315.18, members requesting to be transferred must have completed at least 1 year on board current duty station at the time of the transfer before a co-location move can take place.
  - If one or both members are going into a training status, co-location is not normally granted, due to the short duration of training assignments and the inherent costs associated.
  - If both members are first term Sailors, both may be required to be on sea duty due to initial training received and the need of that trained Sailor at sea.
  - Due to challenges in spouse co-location, fulfilling duty preferences for geographical location, type of duty or unit may not be possible.



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**Does this policy cross Service branches (e.g., Army/Air Force, Navy/Marine, etc.)? If so, what is the process that successfully facilitates the implementation of this policy for these dual-military couples?**

- Yes: the submission process is the same as for dual Navy couples with the added coordination of both Service members' assignments officers to communicate with each other to determine which member's tour is the priority between the Services and the location available for both members.

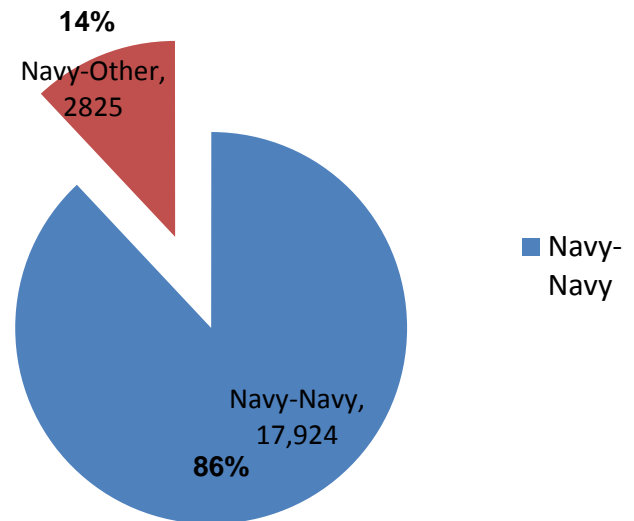


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**How many dual-military couples are there in your Service?  
Of those, what is the ratio of servicemen as compared to  
servicewomen?**

- Dual Military couples include marriages between Navy, USMC, USAF, USA, and USCG
- Overall: 20,749 of total 327,862 active duty end strength are married Mil-Mil.
- Navy-to-Navy: 17,924
  - 8,962 couples
  - 4,675 O and 13,249 E
- Navy-to-other-Service: 2,825
- 17,924 Navy-to-Navy servicemembers:
  - 9,167 (51%) male Sailors w/ Navy spouse
  - 8,757 (49%) female Sailors w/ Navy spouse

## Dual Military Population



***Data current as of Nov 2015***



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**Are there any plans to expand your Services' co-location policy to include:**

- Divorced dual military parents, who share joint custody of a dependent child(ren); and/or**
- Dual military parents (who were never legally married), who share joint custody of a dependent child(ren).**

- Not covered by current co-location policy.
- Sailor requests via detailer
- Detailer takes into consideration during assignment process