

## Reserve Component Duty Status Terms

**Bottom line**...these are very complicated and confusing subjects and exactly why we are dealing with this issue to begin with.

- Consider page 23 of the “Final Report to Congress and the Secretary of Defense” on January 31, 2008 by The Commission on the National Guard and Reserves (CNGR), page 23...

*“A complicated framework of laws, policies, and rules developed through the decades since 1916 has resulted in the current byzantine duty status structure. Today’s **29** duty statuses are confusing and frustrating to both reserve component members and their operational commanders. Service members may encounter pay and benefit problems, including in health care eligibility for their family members, when they transition between one or more duty status categories.”*

**That’s right...there are “29” different duty statuses.**

**“Reserve Component” (RC)** – In accordance with Title 10, Subtitle E, Part I, Chapter 1003, *the reserve components of the armed forces are:*

- *The Army National Guard of the United States*
- *The Army Reserve*
- *The Navy Reserve*
- *The Marine Corps Reserve*
- *The Air National Guard of the United States*
- *The Air Force Reserve*
- *The Coast Guard Reserve*

**“Active Duty” (AD)** – In accordance with DoDI 1215.06: *“Full-time duty in the active military service of the United States. It includes full-time training duty, annual training duty, and attendance, while in active military service, at a school designated as a Service school by law and the Secretary of the Military Department concerned. It does not include Full Time National Guard Duty (FTNGD). For the Reserve Component (RC), AD is comprised of the categories of Active Duty for Training (ADT) and Active Duty Other than for Training (ADOT).”*

- This includes...
  - All of the regular Armed Forces not included in the definition for “Reserve Component” above
  - Full-time members of the Reserve Component known as AGRs (Active Guard Reserve)
  - Traditional part-time members of the Reserve Component **when serving on an Active Duty status**
- This is an over-arching term for numerous additional, specific statuses, including Annual Tour commonly referred to as “ATs” and Military Personnel Appropriations commonly referred to as “MPA”
  - Each of these different statuses under the heading of Active Duty represent different pots of money used to pay our part-time members of the Reserve Component

**“Inactive Duty Training” Status (IDT)** – In accordance with DoDI 1215.06: *“Authorized training performed by members of a Reserve Component (RC) not on Active Duty (AD) and performed in connection with the prescribed activities of the RC, of which they are a member.”*

- This is an over-arching term for numerous additional, specific statuses, including Unit Training Assemblies commonly referred to as “UTAs” and Additional Flying Training Periods commonly referred to as “AFTPs”
  - Each of these different statuses under the heading of Inactive Duty Training represent different pots of money used to pay our part-time members of the Reserve Component
- Members often perform the exact same duties on IDT as they would on an AD status