Space Test Fundamentals – Frequently Asked Questions

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Make sure to check back periodically, since content may change over time.

Q: May reserve component personnel apply?
A: Yes. The TDY will still be centrally funded by USSF. However, duty days will not be provided.

Q: Can members of other services apply to the STF Course?
A: Yes.

Q: Do applicants have to be accepted to the USSF?
A: No.

Q: If there are more applicants than slots, will any applicants be “wait-listed”?
A: No. However, personnel may apply in following years.

Q: What is lodging like during the 12-week course?
A: Lodging will be reserved via DTS as for other TDYs. However, there ought to be sufficient lead time from notification to acquire on-base lodging at the High Desert Inn, Edwards AFB.

Q: Can I obtain a waiver to eligibility requirements?
A: No. There is no waiver process in place at this time.

Q: Is the Space Test Fundamentals 12-week course application and board process separate from the regular TPS board?
A: Yes.
Q: Is this a TDY? If so, is it unit funded?
A: Yes, this is a TDY course. TDY costs will be centrally funded by USSF.

Q: Is there an automatic follow-on at a space test squadron?
A: Not at this time. However, expect prioritization into space test related assignments.

Q: Does attending the STF Course disqualify you from applying to or attending the traditional TPS program as an FTE?
A: No.

Q: Are there any grade/time in service restrictions?
A: Not at this time.

Q: Where is the STF Course held?
A: Edwards AFB, CA

Q: Will the board select all classes for the upcoming calendar year?
A: Yes.