

# U.S. NAVY SPECIAL WARFARE COMBATANT-CRAFT CREWMAN (SWCC)

## Information and Requirements

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Congratulations on your decision to join the Navy and Naval Special Warfare. Be assured that your career as a Combatant-craft Crewman (SWCC) will be one that you will enjoy and be proud of for the rest of your life. Even though you recently qualified for the SWCC Challenge and the Special Warfare Boat Operator (SB) rating, the Naval Special Warfare Community wants to welcome you and ensure that you understand your future and the challenge ahead of you.

Navy SWCC personnel are assigned to the Naval Special Warfare Command, located in Coronado CA. The Naval Special Warfare Command reports directly to U.S. Special Operations Command, located in Tampa FL. SWCC's routinely deploy worldwide, where they are assigned under specific Special Operations chains of command directly responsible to their theatre Combatant Commander.

SWCC's undergo their initial training at the Naval Special Warfare Center in Coronado, CA. SWCC training is physically demanding. Applicants must be in excellent physical condition and should lead a lifestyle of physical fitness. The specific requirements of the Physical Screening Test (PST) mentioned in this fact sheet are the minimum threshold for individual fitness. If you pass these tests at the minimum level, your physical performance throughout SWCC training needs to improve in order to be successful in the training pipeline. Although this training is challenging and difficult, you need to understand that many men before you have accomplished what you are endeavoring to do. You can expect to be rewarded with an exciting and challenging career. As a SWCC, you will be stressed to your limits and beyond. You will serve with the very best that the United States has to offer in order to defend our freedoms and combat terrorism globally. **Stay focused, be prepared, make mature choices, and understand that you are volunteering to be part of the elite Naval Special Warfare team.**

## Your SWCC Challenge Contract

First, you need to understand that as a SWCC Challenge candidate you must maintain a high degree of physical fitness. You will be required to pass the Physical Screening Test (PST) within the first 60 days of your Delayed Entry date. You will also retake the PST within 14 days before you, "ship" (depart) to RTC Great Lakes. Ensure you perform your PST with the Navy Recruiting District NSW/NSO/Air Rescue Coordinator or Mentor, who will be contacting you soon. Your PST scores will be documented and remain in your official record.

**Below are the minimum standards for the SWCC PST:**

<b>PST</b>	<b>SWCC</b>
SWIM 500 YDS. side stroke/breast stroke	13:00 min
REST 10 MIN.	
PUSH-UPS within 2 minutes	42
Rest 2 minutes	
SIT-UPS within 2 minutes	50
Rest 2 minutes	
PULL-UPS no time limit	6
Rest 10 minutes	
1.5 MILE RUN	12:30 min/sec

Here are some guidelines to follow as you prepare for the PST:

- Swim: You must perform the test using either a Side Stroke or a Breast Stroke.
- Push-ups: Must be performed in strict form, with back straight. You must do full pushups in accordance with PST guidelines.
- Sit-ups: Sit on floor, with knees bent approximately 90 degrees. Arms crossed in front of you with fingertips touching your shoulders. You'll need to sit-up until your elbows touch your thighs (near the knees), and then go back all the way until your shoulder blades touch the floor.
- Pull-ups: Grip a pull-up bar with PALMS FACING AWAY FROM YOU. Hands are to be shoulder width apart. Do not swing, kick, or bicycle to assist. Make sure you go all the way up (chin above bar) then ALL THE WAY DOWN.



**Your next step in the process to becoming a SWCC is to pass the Physical Screening Test (PST) at RTC. You will take the PST during your first “training week” at RTC. SWCC candidates will have three chances to pass this test. If you do not pass the PST by your sixth week you will be DROPPED, released, and then reclassified into another Navy program. You will not keep your SWCC Challenge and you will not go to SWCC School. Your goal is to exceed these standards prior to arriving at RTC. Do not count on “Boot Camp” to get you into shape or teach you to swim- “BE READY” before you get there.**

### **SWCC School:**

Upon graduation from RTC, successfully completing the PST, and remaining medically qualified, you will be assigned to SWCC School at the Naval Special Warfare Center in Coronado, CA. You may be granted leave between RTC and SWCC School.

The SWCC course is comprised of two phases, Basic Crewman Training (BCT) and Crewman Qualification Training (CQT), preceded by a two week Indoctrination phase. BCT is five weeks long and CQT is 15 weeks long. Following graduation from CQT, you will be assigned to one of three Special Boat Teams: SBT-12 (Coronado, CA), SBT-20 (Virginia Beach VA), or SBT-22 (Stennis Space Center, Mississippi). Upon arrival at a Special Boat Team, you will hone your war fighting skills while assigned to a Special Boat Detachment. Following a prescribed training “work-up”, you will deploy to conduct Naval Special Operations as directed.

### **Special Pays**

- **Special Warfare Combatant-craft Crewman (SWCC) (5352) are eligible for the following special pays and bonuses:**
  - Current Enlistment Bonus: SWCC \$25,000 (paid upon final qualification as SWCC)
  - Special Duty Assignment Pay (monthly): \$300
  - Parachute Pay (monthly/when qualified): \$150-\$225
  - Language Pay (monthly/when qualified): Amount depends on type foreign language and level of proficiency.
  - Current “first-term” Reenlistment Bonus: maximum \$45,000

### **Information Resources and Points of Contact**

- For additional information pertaining to the SWCC program contact:
  - [www.swcc.navy.mil](http://www.swcc.navy.mil)
  - [www.navy.mil](http://www.navy.mil)
  - SWCC Motivators [MOTIVATORS@NAVSOC.NAVY.MIL](mailto:MOTIVATORS@NAVSOC.NAVY.MIL)