



ALASKA NATIONAL GUARD

ACTIVE GUARD RESERVE (AGR)

Announcement Number: AKANG 26-060



POSITION TITLE: SMA Loadmaster	AFSC 1A173D	OPEN DATE: 19 Feb 2026	CLOSE DATE: 06 Mar 2026
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UNIT OF ACTIVITY/DUTY LOCATION: 211th Rescue Squadron, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska	GRADE REQUIREMENT: Min: E-5 Max: E-6
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SELECTING SUPERVISOR: MSgt Alan Cordell	Position Number 00887325
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AREAS OF CONSIDERATION

On-board AK ANG AGR (Must Hold 1A1X3 AFSC)
 Alaska Air National Guard members (Must hold 1A1X3 AFSC)

MAJOR DUTIES

Please refer to attached pages for more info on the major duties and initial qualifications for this position for this AFSC or go to: <https://www.my.af.mil> to review the AFECD

INITIAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

In addition to criteria listed on attached pages
 - Security Clearance - Must be able to obtain: Top Secret

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- I. Technical Proficiency & Mission Readiness
 - Technical Qualifications: Must be a current and qualified 1A1X3D Loadmaster. Instructor and Joint Airdrop Inspector (JAI) qualifications are highly desired.
 - Operational Expertise: Demonstrated technical and operational knowledge of HC-130J employment, procedures, and systems. Experience in deployed CSAR and/or Alaskan SAR missions is preferred.
 - Mission Commitment: Ability to maintain Combat Mission Readiness (CMR) status, support 24/7 alert operations through flexible work shifts, and travel (CONUS/OCONUS) as required for training and contingencies.
- II. Leadership & Development
 - Team Leadership & Culture: Proven ability to foster a positive, professional, and inclusive team culture built on dignity, respect, and trust, in line with the responsibilities of a Noncommissioned Officer.
 - Mentorship & Development: Demonstrated skill in developing subordinates through effective communication, feedback, and counseling, ensuring their readiness and professional growth.
 - Thorough working knowledge of the The Enlisted Force Structure.
- III. Professional & Managerial Acumen
 - Effective Communication: Excels in both oral and written communication to effectively convey mission objectives, articulate ideas, and support leadership decisions.
 - Organizational Skills: Demonstrated ability to manage and prioritize multiple tasks to ensure timely completion and contribute to mission effectiveness.
 - Innovative Thinking: Ability to leverage personal knowledge and experience to develop insights, question conventional methods, and provide constructive solutions to organizational challenges.

In accordance with AKNGI 1320.14 (26 Jun 2020) & ANGI 36-101, the following documents have been requested by the Selection Official. Applications received that do not contain these requested items will not be screened-out by HRO; but it may adversely affect the selection.

1. Resume
2. Cover Letter
3. Last three (3) EPBs/OPBs
4. At least 1 Letter of Recommendation

ACTIVE GUARD AND RESERVE REQUIREMENTS

Initial tours may not exceed 6 years. AGR tours may not extend beyond an Enlisted member's ETS or an Officer's MSD.

Airmen must meet the minimum requirements for each fitness component in addition to scoring an overall composite of 75 or higher for entry into the AGR program. For members with a documented Duty Limitation Code (DLC) which prohibits them from performing one or more components of the Fitness Assessment, an overall "Pass" rating is required. Individuals selected for AGR tours must meet the Preventative Health Assessment (PHA)/physical qualifications outlined in AFI 48-123, Medical Examination and Standards. They must also be current in all Individual Medical Readiness (IMR) requirements to include immunizations. RCPHA/PHA and dental must be conducted not more than 12 months prior to entry on AGR duty and an HIV test must be completed not more than 24 months prior to the start date of the AGR tour. Enlisted Airmen who are voluntarily assigned to a position which would cause an overgrade must indicate such in writing; a voluntary demotion letter must be included with the application in accordance with ANGI 36-2503, Administrative Demotion of Airmen, when assigned to the position. Acceptance of demotion must be in writing and included in the assignment application package. Application Package will not be forwarded without Administrative Demotion statement. If a selectee does not possess the advertised AFSC, he/she must complete the required training/assignment criteria within 12 months of being assigned to the position. Failure to do so may result in immediate termination. Extension past 12-months will only be considered if the delay is through no fault of the applicant. Any further questions regarding the AGR program may be answered in AKNGI 1320.14 (26 Jul 2020) & ANGI 36-101.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT CRITERIA

- Selection into [E8 / E9 / O4 / O5] positions is contingent on availability/state allocation of controlled grades.
- Selection into higher graded positions IS NOT a promise of promotion.
- Upon selection additional medical verification will be required prior to start of AGR tour.
- Any Individual(s) selected for this position must meet EFMP requirements for the duty location at time of assignment.
- Members that do not meet EFMP standards for the duty location may be subject to a rescinded offer of employment.
- Continuation beyond initial tour may be subject to evaluation based on AGR Continuation Board.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Applications must be signed and dated. Applications received with an unsigned NGB 34-1 will not be forwarded for consideration. Per ANGI 36-101, the application package must include at a minimum items 1-3 listed below. If the required documents are not submitted, a letter of explanation must be included. Incomplete packages will not be considered for the position vacancy.

APPLICATION PACKAGE:

1. SIGNED NGB Form 34-1 Application Form for Active Guard/Reserve (AGR) Position dated 20131111 (<http://dmva.Alaska.gov/ang-employment/>)
2. CURRENT full Records Review RIP from Virtual MPF: <https://vmpf.us.af.mil/vMPF/Hub/Pages/Hub.asp>
3. CURRENT PASSING Report of Individual Fitness from MyFSS/ MyFitness (must not show a "fitness due date" that is in the past) (or) a signed letter from the UFPM. If exempt, please include Form 469 with application)
4. Items requested in the "PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS" section above.

EMAILING REQUIREMENTS:

Ensure all requirements are consolidated into ONE single PDF (Adobe Portfolio is not recommended. Signatures may be stripped once they are saved. Consider printing signed documents to PDF prior to combining files).

PDF File Name should be: Position Announcement Number, Last name, First name, Grade

- Example: ANG 25-XXX Doe, Jane E1
- Email Subject should be: Announcement Number
- Example: ANG 25-XXX
- Email Application Package to: ng.ak.akarng.mbx.hro-agr@ARMY.mil

DoD SAFE SUBMISSIONS:

Applications will be accepted through DoD SAFE if standard email procedures do not work: DoD SAFE <https://safe.apps.mil/>

- If a passphrase is created, email it separately to ng.ak.akarng.mbx.hro-agr@ARMY.mil
- All application documents must be consolidated into a single .pdf file. (Do not put in a PDF Portfolio format)

QUESTIONS:

Applicants may call HRO for initial review of application and to verify receipt prior to closeout date.

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INSTRUCTIONS TO COMMANDERS/SUPERVISORS: Selecting supervisor will contact qualified applicants for interviews. After the Human Resources Officer (HRO) approves the selection package, the HRO office will send a notification letter to the Hiring Official who will in turn notify all applicants of their selection/non-selection. The selection of an applicant is not final until the Hiring Official has been notified of the selection approval by the HRO-AGR Manager.

THE ALASKA NATIONAL GUARD IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

All applicants will be protected under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Eligible applicants will be considered without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or any other non-merit factor. Due to restrictions in assignment to certain units and AFSC/MOS some positions may have sex restrictions.