

VOLUNTARY INDIVIDUAL READY RESERVE (IRR) PROCESS

- Demanding civilian job?
- Extreme stressors in your family life?

- Relocating far away?
- Financial Difficulties?

Personal hardships can affect a member's ability to effectively participate as a Reservist. The IRR is an option available to you if you need a temporary break from the military to focus on your personal life and family obligations (additional reasons could include: humanitarian mission, commute, etc.).

The IRR is an inactive component of the Reserve forces, managed by HQ/ARPC, which allows a member to remain in the military in an inactive status (non-participating).

But before going into the IRR you must consider, as a non-participating member you:

- 1) Are subject to recall
- 2) May be required to perform one or more days of active duty/muster yearly
- 3) Must maintain uniforms in a serviceable condition
- 4) Must report changes in contact information and medical status

If you are requesting to go into the IRR, and believe it will be a temporary hiatus, you should verify you have a current good year. This will assist with your decision to proceed, or to hold off on your request to ensure the time you have already participated will count towards your future retirement.

What are the different types of IRR Requests?

- a) **ETS Discharge with MSO:** When a members ETS is less than 6 months away and the member has completed at least 6 years of service (this request only requires the signed AF IMT 158 by Wing or Group CAA and member).
- b) **ARPC request:** When a member's ETS is more than 6 months away and/or the member has not fulfilled their MSO (this request requires an AF IMT 158 in order to get the ARPC application from the member's CSS). You will need to obtain your Unit Commander's approval on the ARPC request. Requests must have an effective date not earlier than 6 months from the date requests are submitted. The Wing Commander is the final approval authority for IRR requests.