

AUXILIARY MANUAL

G.7. Assistant District Staff Officers (ADSO)

DCOs may create assistant District Staff Officer (ADSO) positions for any program area. The DSO, in accordance with district policy, may delegate to an ADSO any authority and responsibility given to the DSO, except in those cases in which the DSO is specifically designated to perform an activity or duty. The DSO's delegation constitutes assignment to duty in accordance with 14 U.S.C. § 831. Appointments may be apportioned according to need in the various functional areas. Examples of appropriate ADSOs are:

- a. District Historian – ADSO-PAH
- b. Operations – ADSO-OP/QE

For aviation assignments, there shall be one assistant position per air station actively involved in issuing Auxiliary aviation orders within the district. This assistant is normally designated as an ADSO-AAC (Auxiliary Aviation Coordinator). Other aviation ADSO positions may be authorized, and examples of these are:

- a. Aviation Training – ADSO-AVT
- b. Aviation Management – ADSO-AVM

An assistant to the DFSO may be designated, but it is not an ADSO position. It shall be designated ADFS0.

Divisions and flotillas are not authorized assistant division (SO) or assistant FSOs. Appointment of informal assistants is encouraged, however, wearing of insignia for such informal appointment is not authorized.