

MANPOWER AND RESERVE AFFAIRS

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MEMORANDUM FOR DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY FOR MANPOWER AND RESERVE AFFAIRS DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY FOR MANPOWER AND RESERVE AFFAIRS DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE FOR MANPOWER AND RESERVE AFFAIRS DIRECTOR, RESERVE AND MILITARY PERSONNEL, U. S. COAST GUARD DIRECTOR, DEFENSE MANPOWER DATA CENTER

SUBJECT: Faith and Belief Codes for Reporting Personnel Data of Service Members

The Armed Forces Chaplains Board (AFCB) reviewed the Department's recognized faith groups and has recommended expanding this list of faith groups to better align with the language and intent of section 533, "Protection of rights of conscience of members of the Armed Forces and chaplains of such members," of Public Law 112-239, "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013." The AFCB recommended adding new faith and belief groups to standardize and better identify religious preferences recognized by the Military Services. The AFCB asserts that these changes to identify the expanded faiths and beliefs will better assist the Department and the Military Services religious support planning by:

- Accurately tracking more faith and belief systems, providing more accurate demographic data for religious groups;
- Enabling better planning for religious support to the force; and
- Providing a better assessment of the capabilities and requirements of each Military Service's Chaplain Corps.

The AFCB requested these additional faiths and beliefs be incorporated into the Faith Group codes and provided to the Military Services so the Active and Reserve Components may begin reporting the expanded collection of Faith Group Codes before these changes are promulgated in Department issuances to report personnel data. The new Faith Group coding is detailed in the attachment. The current title "Faith Group Code" will be changed to "Faith and Belief Code" in the Department's personnel reporting requirements. These changes to Faith Group Code will be incorporated in Department of Defense Instruction 1335.05, and Enclosure 5, Department of Defense Manual (DoDM) 1336.05 for the Active Components and Volume 1, DoDM 7730.54, and Enclosure 5, Volume 2, DoDM 7730.54 for the Reserve Components with the next reissuance of these instructions and manuals.

The attached Faith Group Code table supports the existing code structure with additional codes for the new faiths and beliefs. These changes are provided so the Active and Reserve

Components may begin reporting these new codes voluntarily subject to the current capabilities in your reporting of personnel data to the Defense Manpower Data Center.

Thank you for your support in this important requirement stemming from requirements in public law and your support for ensuring the personnel data reported to the Department are accurate and timely. My point of contact for this memorandum is Mr. David Perich, 703-693-2238.

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This will replace Enclosure 5, DoD Manual 1336.05 and Enclosure 5, Volume 2 DoD Manual 7730.54 to:

### FAITH GROUP CODE

The name of a sector, or group, of individuals having similar theological beliefs.

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Table 5:	Faith	Group	Codes
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Code	Description	Start Date End Date
A1	Protestant Episcopal Church	20170331
A2	Independent Baptist Bible Mission	20170331
A3	Baptist Bible Fellowship	20170331
A4	Ohio Yearly Meeting Of Friends	20170331
A5	Kansas Yearly Meeting Of Friends	20170331
A6	Anglican Orthodox Church	20170331
A7	Messianic	20170331
AC	Advent Christian Church	
AD	Eckankar	20170331
AF	American Council Christian Church	20170331
AH	Heathen	20170331
AJ	Jehovah's Witnesses	
AK	Korean Evangelical Church Of America	20170331
AM	Christian Crusade	20170331
AN	Native American	
AO	Brethren In Christ Fellowship	20170331
AQ	Presbyterian Council For Chaplains And Military Personnel	20170331
AR	American Baptist Convention	20170331
AS	Seventh Day Adventists	
AT	Baptist General Conference	20170331
AV	Adventist Churches	
AX	Bible Presbyterian Church	20170331
AY	Church Of The Spiral Tree	20170331
B1	Southern Methodist Church	20170331
B2	Reformed Churches	20170331
B3	Grace Gospel Fellowship	20170331
B4	American Baptist Association	20170331
B5	Congregational Methodist Church	20170331
B6	Conservative Baptist Association Of America	20170331
B7	General Conference of the Swedenborgian Church	20170331
B9 、	Association Of Free Lutheran Congregations	20170331
BA	American Baptist Churches In USA	
BB	Baptist Churches	
BC	Southern Baptist Convention	
BE	Armenian Apostolic	20170331
BF	Free Will Baptist Churches, Other	
BG	General Association Of General Baptists	
BH	Fundamental Methodist Church Inc.	20170331

Code	Description	Start Date End Date
BI	United Presbyterian Church In The USA	20170331
BM	National Association Of Evangelicals	20170331
BN	National Baptist Convention Of America	
BP	Progressive National Baptist Convention	
BR	General Association Of Regular Baptist Churches	
BS	Community Of Christ	20170331
BT	American Baptist Conference	
BU	National Baptist Convention USA Inc.	
BV	Other Religions	20170331
BY	Antiochian Orthodox Christian	20170331
C2	Independent Baptist Churches	20170331
C3	United Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod	20170331
C4	Methodist Episcopal Church	20170331
C6	Evangelical Presbyterian Church	20170331
C7	Baptist General Convention Of Texas	20170331
C9	Methodist Protestant Church	20170331
CB	Primitive Methodist Church	20170331
CC	Catholic Churches, Other	
CF	Evangelical Church Alliance	20170331
CL	Christian Reformed Church	20170331
CO	North American Baptist Conference	20170331
CP	Bible Churches Chaplaincy	20170331
CR	Roman Catholic Church	20170331
CU	Elim Fellowship	20170331
CV	Liberty Baptist Fellowship	20170331
CX	Free Will Baptist, NC State Convention	20170331
CY	Pentecostal Churches Of God Of America, Inc.	20170331
D1	Reformed Judaism	20170331
D2	United Christian Church	20170331
D3	Ukrainian Evangelical Baptist Conference	20170331
D4	Conservative Judaism	20170331
D6	American Lutheran Church	20170331
D7	Evangelical Methodist Church Of America	20170331
D9	Evangelical Covenant Church In America	20170331
DA	Troth	20170331
DB	Greek Orthodox Church	20170331
DC	Rosicrucianism	20170331
DG	Association Of Evangelical Lutheran Churches	20170331
DJ	Church Of God	20170331
DK	Dian Wi (Dianic Wicca)	20170331
DL	Church Of Jesus Christ-Latter Day Saint	201/0331
DM	Orthodox Presbyterian Church	20170331
DIVA	Sacred Well Congregation	20170331
DQ	Full Gospel Pentecostal Association	20170331
DR	Reorganized Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints	20170351
DK	Church Of Living God International	20170221
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Code	Description	Start Date End Date
DT	Orthodox Judaism	20170331
DU	Druid	20170331
DV	Presbyterian Churches	20170331
DW	Deism	20170331
DY	Church Of God In North America	20170331
El	Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod	20170331
E3	Sikh	20170331
E8	Reformed Church In The USA	20170331
EA	Anglican Catholic Church	
EB	Missionary Church	20170331
EC	Episcopal Church	20170351
EC	Independent Lutheran Churches	20170331
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	Episcopal/Anglican Churches, Others	00170321
EF	Evangelical Methodist Church	20170331
EG	Elim Missionary Assemblies	20170331
EI	General Conference Of The Brethren Church	20170331
EJ	American Baptist Churches	20170331
EK	Missionary Church Association	20170331
EL	Anglican Church in North America	20170331
EM	Independent Assemblies Of God	20170331
EN	Evangelical Friends Alliance	20170331
EP	National Association Of Congregational Christian Church	20170331
ER	Reformed Episcopal Church	
ES	Seventh Day Baptist General Conference	20170331
ET	Evangelical Congregational Church	20170331
EU	Chaplaincy Full Gospel Churches (CFGC)	20170331
EW	Church Of The United Brethren Christ	20170331
EX	Fellowship Of Grace Brethren Church	20170331
EZ	Communion Of Evangelical Episcopal Churches	20170331
F3	Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod	20170331
F4	Southwide Baptist Fellowship	20170331
F5	Lutheran Church In America	20170331
F6	Central Bible Church	20170331
F8	Baptist Missionary Association Of America	20170331
F9	Anglican Church In America	20170331
FA	Independent Churches Affiliated	
FB	Independent Fundamental Bible Churches	
FC	Independent Fundamental Churches Of America	
FD	Gard Wi (Gardnerian Wicca)	20170331
FE	World Baptist Fellowship	20170331
FF	Fundamentalist Churches, Other	
FG	Associated Gospel Churches	
FI	Lutheran Council In The USA	20170331
FN	Evangelical Church Of North America	20170331
	International Communion Of The Charismatic Episcopalian	
FO	Church	20170331

Code	Description	Start Date	End Date
FP	Kingsway Fellowship	20170331	
FQ	Shaman	20170331	
FR	Militant Fundamental Bible Church	20170331	•
FT	Fundamental Bible Churches	20170331	
FV	Seax Wi (Seax Wicca)	20170331	
FW	Conservative Congregational Christian Conference	20170331	
FX	National Association Of Free Will Baptists	20170331	
FY	Asatru	20170331	
FZ	Cooperative Baptist Fellowship	20170331	
G3	Pagan	20170331	
G5	Humanist	20170331	
G6	Full Gospel Fellowship Church/Ministries International	20170331	
GC	Christian Church and Churches Of Christ	20170331	
GE			
GG	Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)		
	Restoration Churches, Other		20170221
GT	Tioga River Christian Conference (Removed)		20170331
GX	Church Of Christ	:	
HA	Church Of God (Anderson IN)		
HC	Churches Of Christ in Christian Union		
HH	Holiness Churches, Other		
HN	Church Of The Nazarene		
HS	Salvation Army		
II	Islam		
JJ	Judaism		·····
KB	Buddhism		
KF	Baha'i		
KH	Hindu		
KK	Eastern Religions, Other		
LE	Evangelical Lutheran Church In America		
LL	Lutheran Churches, Other		
LM	Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod		
MC	Christian Methodist Episcopal Church		
ME	African Methodist Episcopal Church		
MJ	Union Messianic Jewish Congregations		
MM	Methodist Churches, Other		
MN	Free Methodist Church Of North America		
MR	Moravian Churches		
MU	United Methodist Church		
MW	Wesleyan Church		
MZ	African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church		
NC	Christian, No Denominational Preference		
NO	No Religious Preference (Removed)		20170331
OE	Eastern Orthodox Churches		
00	Orthodox Churches, Other		
PA	Assemblies Of God		
PC	Church Of God In Christ	···· , , ,	
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Code	Description	Start Date	End Date
PD	Full Gospel		
PF	International Church Of The Foursquare Gospel		
PG	Church Of God Of Prophecy		
PH	Pentecostal Holiness Church		
PJ	Pentecostal Church of God		
PP	Pentecostal Churches, Other		
PS	Open Bible Standard Churches Inc.		
PT	Church Of God (Cleveland TN)		
PU	United Pentecostal Church International		
QB	Brethren Church		·····
QF	Friends (Quakers)		
QQ	European Free Churches, Other		
QS	Schwenkfelder Churches		
RB	Cumberland Presbyterian Church		
RC	Congregational Churches		
RD	Christian Reformed Church in North America		
RF	Reformed Church In America		<u>.</u>
RG	Churches Of God General Conference		
RI	Presbyterian Church In America		· · · · ·
RP	Presbyterian Church (USA)		
RR	Reformed And Presbyterian Churches, Other		
RU	United Church Of Christ		
SC	Christian Science (1st Church Christ Scientist)		
TN	Protestant, no denominational preference (Removed)		20170331
TO	Protestant, other churches (Removed)		20170331
UU	Unitarian Universalist		20110301
VA	Asbury Bible Churches		
VB	Plymouth Brethren		
VE	Evangelical Covenant Church		
VF	Evangelical Free Church Of America		
VM	Christian And Missionary Alliance		
VP	Bible Protestant Church		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
VV	Evangelical Churches Other		
WW	Not Applicable (Removed)		20170331
XC	Iglesia Ni Christo		
XJ	Churches Of The New Jerusalem		
XN	New Age Churches		
XX	Unclassified Religions		
YW	Wicca		
YY	Magick And Spiritualist		
ZA	Atheist		
ZB	Agnostic		
ZW	No Preference	20170331	
ZX	No Religion	20170331	
ZY	None Provided	20170331	
ZZ	Unknown		