



USMC /AUSTRALIAN ARMY
TIGER HELICOPTER OFFICER
BILLET DESCRIPTION



1. Date Raised/Reviewed: 23 APR 2013
2. Established Unit: 1st Aviation Regiment
3. Location/Address: Robertson Barracks, Darwin, Northern Territory
4. RUC: 20021
5. MCC: UCB
6. Post Title: Tiger-Cobra Exchange Pilot
7. Rank: Capt (Promotion to Major while in tour is acceptable)
8. Branch: Australian Army Aviation Corps
9. Sub-Branch/ Specialization: 7565
10. May be filled by: 7565
11. Handover Period: Summer
12. Type of Post: Rotary Wing Flying
13. Sex: No Preference
14. Security Clearance: NATO Secret or higher
15. Security Caveat: N/A
16. Brief Description of Duties: Operate as an Australian Army ARH Tiger pilot in an operational Squadron in all environments, by day and by night. Learn about the Australian Army and assist in the development of Australian tactics, techniques, and procedures. After initial ARH training, be prepared for duties one would expect as an NSI/WTI in an HMLA, including standardization, operations, and senior instructor responsibilities.
17. Qualification and Experience:
 - ❑ Essential:
 - Secret Clearance
 - NSI
 - 800 total flight hours minimum
 - 500 Rotary Wing flight hours minimum
 - 100 NVG hours
 - ❑ Highly Desirable:
 - WTI, FAC(A)I, MEU Experience



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18. Pre-Employment Training: None
19. Language Standard: English
20. Tour Length: 2 years (plus training of approx 6 months)
21. USMC Sponsor: HQ 16 Bde (Avn)
22. Post Sponsor: USMC Military Attaché, United States Embassy, Canberra.
23. Any Other Relevant Information: The USMC Exchange Officer should complete the ARH Tiger transition syllabus prior to assignment to an operational ARH squadron. Once assigned, the Exchange Officer can be expected to gain the following qualifications and designations throughout their tour:
- Combat Aircraft Captain
 - Flight Leadership equivalent to Cobra
 - Similar instructor qualifications held on Cobra
- Additional qualifications/courses that may be attained at the discretion of the Commanding Officer are:
- Joint Tactical Air Controller (JTAC)
 - Unit Maintenance Test Pilot (UMTP)
 - Electronic Warfare Officer (EWO)
 - Weapons Employment Course (WEC)
- The Exchange Officer is stationed at the 1st Aviation Regiment in Darwin, Northern Territory. Darwin is a remote duty station in a tropical environment but provides easy access to the Australian Outback and Southeast Asia. The 1st Aviation Regiment conducts domestic training activities throughout the year. The Exchange Officer can expect to be gone for approx 1-2 months a year. The initial ARH Tiger transition training takes place at the School of Army Aviation in Oakey, Queensland. This course transitions RW pilots to ARH Tiger. After arriving in the Regiment the Exchange Officer can expect to complete more advanced weapons practice before becoming an Aircraft Captain. After becoming an Aircraft Captain the Exchange Officer should expect to receive equivalent USMC AH-1 flight leadership and instructor qualifications, similar to WTO, NSI, and FAC(A)I. The Exchange Officer can expect to be intimately involved with the development of amphibious tactics while the Australians introduce two LHDs into service. The Exchange Officer can also expect to continue development of the Australian FAC(A) capability.