## Military Separation Codes — Alphabetical Codes (Separation Program Numbers)

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Hidden on practically every veteran's DD-214 discharge papers are secret code letters and numbers called Separation Program Numbers (SPN numbers) that might make obtaining veterans benefits difficult if not impossible. Here are these secret alphabetic codes that may make a difference in your future.

These codes are contained in your military records and may be annotated on various military separation documents. These codes are subject to change, and the Department of Defense will no longer allow the military services to release the meanings of these codes to the general public. The below definitions were obtained before this prohibition went into effect.

**B70** – Death, Battle Casualty – Navy

**B79 – Death, Battle Casualty – Navy** 

BDK - Security reason

BFS - Good of the Service, conduct triable by court martial

BHJ – Unsuitability (Reason Unknown)

BHK – Unsuitability, substandard performance

BKC - See BRA

**BLC** – Homosexuality

BLF - Drug use

BLM – Unfitness (Reason Unknown)

**BML** – Homosexuality

BMN – Unsuitability (Reason Unknown)

BNC - Misconduct, moral or professional dereliction or in interests of national security

BRA – Engaged or attempted to engage in, or solicited another to engage in homosexual act(s)

BRB – See JRB, BKC

BRC - See JRC, BKC

CBL – Unsuitability (Reason Unknown)

DCH – Early Release – To teach

**DER - Disability - Non EPTS - No Severance Pay** 

DFS - Good of the Service, conduct triable by court martial

**DLC - Homosexuality** 

EKD - AWOL, Desertion

ELPAC - Entry Level Performance & Conduct FBC - Other FBK - Expiration of Term of Service FBL – Expiration of Term of Service FCM – Conscientious Objector FDF - Pregnancy FDG - Parenthood FDL - See JDL FFT - Physical standards, no disability FGM – To accept commission FHC - In lieu of discharge FHG – Serving under suspended sentence to dismissal FKD - AWOL, Desertion FND – Misc reasons (Unqualified resignation) GDK - Security reason GFN – Released for Conditions Existing Prior to Service GFT - Unqualified for Active Duty - Other GFV – Unqualified for Active Duty – Other GHF - Other GHJ – Unsuitability (Reason Unknown) GHK - Unsuitability (Reason Unknown) GJB - Court Martial GKA - Discreditable Incidents - Civilian or Military **GKB - Civil Court conviction GKC – Homosexuality** GKD - AWOL, Desertion **GKE – Financial Irresponsibility GKG – Fraudulent Entry GKH – Lack of Dependent Support** GKK – Drug use **GKL – Sexual Perversion** GKQ - No listing at this time. However, all GK - Series appears ineligible for re - enlistment. GKS - AWOL, Desertion GLB – Discreditable Incidents – Civilian or Military **GLC** – Homosexuality

GLF - Drug use

GLG - Financial Irresponsibility

**GLH – Lack of Dependent Support** 

GLJ - Shirking

**GLK - Unsanitary Habits** 

**GLL - Sexual Perversion** 

GMB - Character or Behavior Disorder

**GMC – Enuresis** 

GMD - Inaptitude

**GMF - Sexual Perversion** 

GMG - Alcoholism

**GMH – Financial Irresponsibility** 

**GMJ** – Motivational problems

GMJ - Shirking

**GMK - Character or Behavior Disorder** 

**GML** – Homosexuality

GMM - Drug use

GMN - Unsuitability (Reason Unknown)

**GMP - Unsanitary Habits** 

GNC - Misconduct (Reason Unknown)

GPB - Drug use

H21 – H23 – Death – , Non – Battle, Other (USMC)

H25 – H59 – death, Non – Battle, Other (USMC)

H31 – Death, Non – Battle, Other (USMC)

H4G – Death, Non – Battle, Other (USMC)

H51 – Death, Non – Battle, Other (USMC)

H61 – 1169 – Death, Battle Casualty – Marine

HBF – Early Release – To attend school

HCR - No listing at this time.

**HDF – Pregnancy** 

HDK - Security reason

HFT – Unqualified for Active Duty – Other

HFV – Unqualified for Active Duty – Other

HGH – [No definition for this code at this time]

HHJ – Unsuitability (Reason Unknown)

HJB - Court Martial

HKA – Discreditable Incidents – Civilian or Military

HKB - Civil Court conviction

HKD - AWOL, Desertion

HKE - AWOL, Desertion

HKE - Financial Irresponsibility

**HKG – Fraudulent Entry** 

HKH – Lack of Dependent Support

HKJ - Shirking

HKK - Drug use

HKL - Sexual Perversion

HKQ - No information on file

HLB – Discreditable Incidents – Civilian or Military

**HLC – Homosexuality** 

HLF - Drug use

**HLG – Financial Irresponsibility** 

**HLH – Lack of Dependent Support** 

HLJ - Shirking

**HLK - Unsanitary Habits** 

**HLL - Sexual Perversion** 

HMB - Character or Behavior Disorder

**HMC - Enuresis** 

HMD – Inaptitude

HMF - - Sexual Perversion

HMG - Alcoholism

HMJ – Motivational problems

HMM – Drug use

HMN – Financial Irresponsibility

HMN - Unsuitability (Reason Unknown)

**HMP – Unsanitary Habits** 

HNB - Character or Behavior Disorder

HNC - Misconduct (Reason Unknown)

HPD - No information at this time

**HRC** – Homosexuality

HRG – No information at this time

**HWL – Homosexuality** J11 – USAF Other JBB - Involuntary discharge, age, USAF JBB - Other JBC - Other JBD - Retirement - 20 - 30 Years Service JBH - Other JBK – Expiration of Term of Service JBK – Involuntary discharge at end active obligated service, USN – Enlisted JBM – Early Release – Insufficient time left in service after returning from overseas or other duty JBM – Within 3 months of end active obligated service, USN – Enlisted JCC – Early Release – Reduction in authorized strength JCC - General demobilization. Reduction in authorized strength, USN - Enlisted JCM – Conscientious Objector JCP - Other, Alien not lawfully admitted JDA – Fraudulent entry JDF - Pregnancy JDG – Parenthood JDJ - Early Release - In the national interest JDK - Security reason JDL – Withdrawal of ecclesiastical endorsement JDM - Early Release - Other JDN – Lack of jurisdiction (other than void enlistment) JDP - Breach of Contract JDR - Early Release - Other JDR – Strength reduction. first term airman, USAF JDT – USN, USMC, Failure to meet minimum qualifications for Retention JED - Early Release - Insufficient Retainability JEH – USAF Expeditious Discharge JEM – Army Trainee Discharge JEM – USAF Expeditious Discharge JEM – USN, USMC Failure to meet minimum qualifications for Retention JET – Army Trainee Discharge JET – USAF Trainee Discharge (See also JGA)

JFA – No description at this time.

JFB - Minority, Underage

JFBI – Physical disability that existed prior to entry. was revealed by Marine during enlistment processing and was waived by AFEES or higher headquarters, USMC

JFC - Enlisted/reenlisted/extended/inducted in error/ Erroneous Enlistment or Induction

JFC1 – Erroneous enlistment; a medical board determined that Marine failed to meet required physical standards for enlistment. Marine was not aware of defect and defect was not detected or waived by AFEES, USMC

JFF - Secretarial Authority

JFG(1-7) - USMC Other, for the Good of the Service

JFG(9) – USMC Trainee Discharge

JFG(B) - USMC Expeditious Discharge

JFG – Army, Navy, USAF Discharge by competent authority w/o Board Action. (Failure to resign – failed to meet entrance physical requirement)

JFL – Physical Disability – Severance Pay or Juvenile Offender

JFL – Physical disability. entitled to severance pay., USN – Officers

JFL1 - Physical disability with severance pay, USAF

JFL2 – Physical disability that existed prior to service but was aggravated by the Service, with severance pay, USAF

JFM – Physical disability existing prior to entry on active duty established by physical evaluation board proceedings. Not entitled to severance pay., USN – Enlisted

JFM – Physical disability existing prior to service as established by physical evaluation board. Not entitled to severance pay., USN Officers

JFM - Released for Conditions Existing Prior to Service

JFM2 – Physical disability that existed prior to entry. disability was unknown by Marine but was detected and waived by AFEES or higher headquarters, USMC

JFM3 – Physical disability that existed prior to entry for any reason not falling within the purview of JFM1 or JFM2, USMC

JFN – Physical disability existing prior to service as established by medical board. not entitled to severance pay., USN – Officers

JFN - Released for Conditions Existing Prior to Service

JFN1 – Physical disability determined by a medical board that existed prior to entry. disability was revealed by Marine during enlistment processing and waived by AFEES or higher headquarters, USMC

JFN2 – Physical disability determined by a medical board that existed prior to entry. disability was unknown to Marine but detected and waived by AFELS or higher headquarters, USMC

JFN3 – Physical disability determined by a medical board that existed prior to entry; any reason not falling within the purview of JFN1 or JFN2, USMC

JFP – Misconduct (Reason Unknown) or Disability not in the line of duty

JFR – Disability – Non EPTS – No Severance Pay

JFR – Physical disability not existing prior to entry on active duty established by physical evaluation board processing. Not entitled to severance pay., USN – Enlisted

JFR1 – Physical disability that existed prior to service and not aggravated by the Service, without severance pay, USMC

JFS - See KFS

JFT - Unqualified for Active Duty - Other

JFU – Positive Urinalysis

JFV - Physical condition, not a disability, interfering with performance of duty, USN - Enlisted

JFV1 - Discharge because of a physical condition which is not disabling. involuntary, USMC

JFV5 – Medical board determination of obesity, USMC

JFV6 – Discharge because of a physical condition which is not disabling (Pseudofolliculitis Barbae), USMC

JFX – Personality disorder (See also JMB)

JFW - No definition on file at this time.

JG7 - Army, Navy, USMC Failure to meet minimum qualifications for Retention

JG7 – USAF Trainee Discharge

JGA – Entry level status performance and conduct or entry level status performance – pregnancy

JGB – Failure of selection for permanent promotion

JGB - Failure to select for promotion. not retirement eligible, USN - Officers

JGC – Failure to select for promotion. not retirement eligible, USN – Officers

JGC1 – Failure of selection for promotion, USAF

JGF – Failure to meet minimum qualifications for Retention

JGH – Army, Air Force Expeditious Discharge

JGH – USN, USMC Failure to meet minimum qualifications for Retention

JHD – Disqualified from officer candidate training physical, USN – Enlisted

JHD - Navy Expeditious Discharge

JHD - Other

JHE – Failure to meet minimum qualifications for Retention

JHF – Failed to meet course standards

JHJ – Army, USMC, USAF Unsuitability (Reason Unknown)/ Unsatisfactory performance

JHK – Unsuitability, substandard performance

JHM - Misconduct (Reason Unknown)

JIV - Unqualified for Active Duty - Other

JJB – Court Martial

JJC - Court Martial, Desertion

JJD - Court Martial, Other

JKA – Discreditable Incidents – Civilian or Military

JKB - Civil Court conviction

JKC - Homosexuality JKD - AWOL, Desertion JKE - Financial Irresponsibility JKF – Army, Navy Air Force AWOL, Desertion JKG - Fraudulent Entry JKH - Lack of Dependent Support JKJ - See JHJ JKK - Character or Behavior Disorder (see also JPC) JKK - Drug use JKL – Sexual Perversion (see also JPD) JKL - Shirking JKM – Misconduct, pattern of misconduct (See also JKE) JKN - Misconduct, minor disciplinary infractions (See also JKF) JKQ - Misconduct, commission of a serious offense (See also JKH) JKV - Unsanitary Habits JLB – Discreditable Incidents – Civilian or Military JLC - Homosexuality JLF - Drug use JLG - Financial Irresponsibility JLH – Lack of Dependent Support JLJ - Shirking JLK - Unsanitary Habits JLL - Sexual Perversion JMB - Character or Behavior Disorder JMC - Enuresis JMD – Inaptitude JMF - Sexual Perversion JMG - Alcoholism JMH – Financial Irresponsibility JMJ - Motivational problems JML - Homosexuality JMM - Drug use JMN - Navy, USMC, USAF Unsuitability (Reason Unknown)

JMP - Unsanitary Habits

JNC – Misconduct, moral or professional dereliction

JND - Other, Concealment of arrest record

JNF - Army Trainee Discharge

JNF - Navy, USMC, USAF Other

JNG - Unfitness (Reason Unknown)

JPB - Drug use

JPC – Drug abuse rehabilitative failure

JPD - Alcohol abuse rehabilitative failure

JRA - Engaged, attempted to engage or solicit another to engage in a homosexual act

JRB - Admission of Homosexuality or bisexuality

JRC – Marriage or attempted marriage to a person known to be of the same biological sex

KAK – Expiration of Term of Service

KBD - Retirement - 20 - 30 Years Service

KBH - Other

KBJ - Other

**KBK – Normal expiration of Service** 

KBM - Early Release - Precluded from attaining eligibility for retirement with pay

KCC - Early Release - Other

KCE – Early Release – To attend school

KCF - Early Release - To attend school

KCK – Early Release – In the national interest

**KCM – Conscientious Objector** 

**KCO – Sole surviving son** 

KCP - Other

KCQ – See MCQ

**KDB** – Dependency or Hardship

**KDF – Pregnancy** 

KDG - Parenthood

**KDH** – Dependency or Hardship

KDJ – Early Release – In the national interest

KDK – Security program

**KDM** – Early Release – Other

KDM1 – Marine Corps order applicable to all members of a class, USMC

KDN - Other

**KDP – Breach of Contract** 

**KDQ – Breach of Contract** 

**KDR – Early Release – Other** 

**KDS – Breach of Contract** 

**KEA – Expiration of Term of Service** 

KEB - Early Release - Other -

**KEC – Expiration of Term of Service** 

KFB - Minority

KFF - Secretarial Authority, to be discharged or retire as an officer

KFG - Other

KFN - Released for Physical disability Existing Prior to Service

KFS - Good of the Service, in lieu of court martial

KFT - Failure to qualify medically for flight training, no disability

KFV – Unqualified for Active Duty – Other

KGF - Failure to meet minimum qualifications for Retention

KGH - No information on this code at this time.

KGL - Officer or Warrant Officer Commission program

**KGM – Officer Commission program** 

KGN – Officer Warrant Officer Commission program in another service

**KGS – Officer Commission program** 

KGT - Warrant Officer program

**KGU – Service Academy** 

KGX - Officer Commission program

**KHC – Immediate reenlistment** 

KHD - Other

KHF - Other

KHK - Substandard performance

**KLG – Financial Irresponsibility** 

KLM – Unfitness (Reason Unknown)

KMN – Army Expeditious Discharge

KNC - See BNC

KND – No definition on this code at this time

KNF - Other

KNL - Good of the Service

**KOG – Early Release – Police Duty** 

KOJ – Early Release – Seasonal Employment

L68 – Involuntary release: nonselection for Indefinite Reserve status, USAF

LBB – Involuntary release maximum age, USN – Officers

LBB - Maximum age

LBC – Involuntary release completion of maximum period service according to grade, USN – Officers

LBC - Maximum service

LBH - Early Release - Insufficient Retainability

LBK - Expiration of Term of Service

LBK – Involuntary discharge at end active obligated service, USN – Enlisted

LBM – Navy, USMC, USAF Short length of time remaining after return from overseas or other duty

LBM – Within 3 months of end active obligated service, USN – Enlisted

LCC – Early Release – Reduction in authorized strength

LCC - General demobilization. reduction in force, USN - Enlisted

LDG - Inability to perform prescribed duties due to parenthood

LDK - Security reason

LDL - See JDL

LDM – Strength adjustment, USN – Officers

LDN – Early Release – Lack of jurisdiction (other than void enlistment)

LDP - Breach of Contract

LDP6 – Nonfulfillment of service contract. convenience of the government, with breach of contract payment, USAF

LDP7 – Nonfulfillment of service contract, with breach of contract and readjustment payment, USAF

LDP8 – Nonfulfillment of service contract. failure of selection for promotion, with breach of contract payment, USAF

LDP9 – Nonfulfillment of service contract. request for extension of active duty disapproved, with breach of contract and readjustment payment, USAF

LDPA – Nonfulfillment of service contract. failure of selection for promotion, with breach of contract and readjustment payment, USAF

LDPB – Nonfulfillment of service contract. convenience of the government, with readjustment payment, USAF

LDPC – Nonfulfillment of service contract, with readjustment payment, USAF

LDPD – Nonfulfillment of service contract. termination of extended active duty, with breach of contract payment, USAF

LDR - Early Release - Other

LED - CONUS based airman lacks retainability for assignment, USAF

LED – Early Release – Insufficient Retainability

LET – Entry level status performance and conduct or pregnancy

LFC – Erroneous entry

LFF - Directed by service authority

LFG - Other

LFN – Physical disability existing prior to service as established by medical board. not entitled to severance pay., USN – Officers

LFR – Revert to inactive status. Retire age 60. No disability severance pay, USAF

LFT – Erroneous Enlistment or Induction or Unqualified for Active Duty – Medical

LGA - See LET

LGB – Failure of selection for permanent promotion

LGB – Failure of selection for permanent reserve promotion, USN – Officers

LGB – Involuntary release. Failed permanent promotion or removed from list, USAF

LGC – Failure of selection for temporary promotion

LGC – Involuntary release: twice failed temporary promotion, USAF

LGH - Failure to meet minimum standards of service

LGJ – Early Release – Disapproval of request for extension of service

LGJ – Involuntary release: disapproved request for extension of tour, USAF

LGJ – Request for extension of active duty denied (USNR), USN – Officers

LGJ1 – Request for extension of service denied upon initial EAS without readjustment pay/not selected for retention, USAF

LGJ2 – Request for extension of service denied upon extended EAS without readjustment pay/not selected for retention, USAF

LHD - Other

LHF – Navy, USMC, USAF Other

LHH – Service under sentence to dismissal awaiting appellate review

LHJ – Unsatisfactory performance

LIF - Secretarial Authority

LLM - Army Trainee Discharge

LMJ - See LHJ

LND – Misc reasons (medical service personnel who receive unfavorable background investigation or National Agency check

LNF – Army Trainee Discharge

MBD - Hardship

MBH – Early Release – Insufficient Retainability

MBK – Completion of active duty service commitment or expiration of term of service, USAF

**MBK – Expiration of Term of Service** 

MBN – (ANGUS) (USAFR) Release from active duty completion of required service, USAF

MBN – Expiration of Term of Service

MCF – To attend educational facility

MCK - Early Release - In the national interest

MCQ - Sole surviving son, daughter or family member MDB - Hardship **MDF – Pregnancy** MDG - Parenthood MDH – Dependency or Hardship MDJ – National interest MDL - Early Release - To attend school MDM – Early Release – Other MDN - Other MDP – Breach of Contract MDR – Early Release – Other MDS - Breach of Contract MEB – Early Release – Other MEC – Completed extended enlistment, USAF MEC - Erroneous Enlistment or Induction MEC – Expiration of Term of Service MFA – Expiration of Term of Service MFF - Secretarial Authority MFG - Other MGC – Early Release – Other MGH – Warrant Officer program MGJ – Early Release – Other MGM – To accept commission MGO - Early Release - Police Duty or Seasonal Employment MGP – Interdepartmental transfer MGR – Revert to Regular Army warrant officer status **MGU – To enter Service Academy** MGX – Officer Commission program MHC - Immediate enlistment MND – Misc reasons (in lieu of serving in lower grade than Reserve grade or by request – includes MC and DC officers) or in lieu of unqualified resignation MNF - Other MOD – Sole surviving son MOJ – Early Release – In the national interest

NBD – Retirement – 20 – 30 Years Service

NDB – Dependency or Hardship

NDH - Early Release - To teach

NEF - Secretarial Authority

NET - Unqualified for Active Duty - Other

**NVC - Erroneous Enlistment or Induction** 

**PGU – Service Academy** 

RB - retirement - Over 30 Years Service

**RBB** – Retirement – Other

RBD - Retirement - 20 - 30 Years Service

RFJ - Permanent Disability - Retired

RFJ1 – Permanent disability retired list, USAF

RFK - Temporary Disability - Retired

RFK1 – Temporary disability retired list, USAF

SBB - Attain maximum age. mandatory retirement, USN - Officers

SBB – Mandatory retirement on established date, maximum age, USAF

SBC – Attain maximum time in grade/service. mandatory retirement, USN – Officers

SBC - Mandatory retirement on established date. maximum years of service, USAF

SBD – Retirement – 20 – 30 Years Service

SFE – Placed on temporary disability retired list, USN – Officers

SFJ - Permanent Disability - Retired

SFJ – Permanent disability retirement, USAF

SFJ – Permanent disability, USN – Enlisted

SFJ – Permanent disability, USN – Officers

SFK - Place on temporary disability retired list, USAF

SFK – Placed on temporary disability retired list, USN – Enlisted

SFK – Temporary Disability – Retired

SGB – Failure of selection for promotion, permanent, USN – Officers

SGB – Retired on established date nonselection permanent promotion or retained for retirement nonselection permanent promotion, USAF

SGC - Failure of selection for promotion, temporary, USN - Officers

SKU – No definition at this time

TCC - See LCC

VFJ - Permanent Disability - Retired

VFJ – Revert to retired list with permanent disability, USAF

VFK - Revert to retired list and placed on temporary disability retired list, USAF

VFK – Temporary Disability – Retired

VNF - Other

WFK - Temporary Disability - Retired

XBK - Retirement - Other

**XDM** – Early Release – Other

**XET – Unqualified for Active Duty – Other** 

XND - Other

**XOH – Dependency or Hardship** 

**XOP – Breach of Contract** 

**XOS** – Retirement – Other

YBK - Retirement - Other

YCP - Other

**YDN** – Other

YFB - Minority

YKG - Fraudulent Entry

YND - Other