

COMMISSIONED OFFICER VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

NEW YORK AIR NATIONAL GUARD
106th RESCUE WING
F.S. Gabreski Airport
150 Old Riverhead Road
Westhampton Beach, NY 11978-1201

ANNOUNCEMENT #: FY26-006

POSTING DATE: 10 JUL 2026

CLOSING DATE: 10 AUG 2026

UNIT: 102d Rescue Squadron

AFSC: 11HXJ (Entry Level or Qualified)

POSITION TITLE: RESCUE PILOT, HC-130J
(THIS IS A DRILL STATUS POSITION)

AREA OF CONSIDERATION:

Nationwide All candidates may apply who meet the basic qualification for position and are eligible for membership in the NYANG.

MAX AVAILABLE GRADE: MAJOR

SPECIALTY SUMMARY

Pilots rescue aircraft and commands crews to accomplish combat, training, and other missions. Related DoD Occupational Group: 220300.

QUALIFICATIONS AND SELECTION FACTORS:

- Selection for this position will be made without regard to race, religion, color, creed, gender, or national origin.
- Applicants are subject to review by the FSS and as mandatory requirements are met, as outlined in applicable regulations, applicants must meet an Officer Screening and Interview Board (OSIB).
- The requirements and qualifications prescribed in this announcement are the minimum for nomination for appointment consideration. Appointment is not assured merely by meeting these requirements. Persons considered must further qualify with requirements outlined in applicable regulations.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Applicant must be less than 33 years old upon entering Undergraduate Pilot Training. Must satisfactorily complete an appointment physical. Must qualify for a Top Secret security clearance. Applicants must be able to meet all requirements PRIOR to submission of package, to include: obtaining a passing score on the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test (AFOQT), meeting the Air Force Fitness standards as well as the Weight and Body Fat standards. Must be a proficient swimmer.

MANDATORY SCHOOL & TRAINING:

Upon selection, candidate must attend Total Force Officer Training (TFOT), 40 training days at Maxwell AFB, then complete the Initial Flight Screening, 30 days. To be awarded AFSC 11H2J, completion of transition and operational training in the HC-130J aircraft include: Air Force Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training, 6 months. Operational Aircraft Training, 6 months. Mission Qualification, 5 months. Combat & Water Survival Training, 45 days and required Mission Essential Skills Training.

EDUCATION:

For entry into this specialty, an undergraduate degree is required. Specialization in physical sciences, mathematics, administration, or management is desirable.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Plans and prepares for mission. Reviews mission tasking, intelligence, and weather information. Supervises mission planning, preparation and filing of flight plan, and crew briefing. Ensures aircraft is preflight, inspected, loaded, equipped, and manned for mission.
- Pilots' aircraft and commands crew. Operates aircraft controls and equipment. Performs, supervises, or directs navigation, in-flight refueling, rescue operations and cargo and passenger delivery.
- Conducts or supervises training of crewmembers. Ensures operational readiness of crew by conducting or supervising mission specific training.
- Develops plans and policies, monitors operations, and advises commanders. Assists commanders and performs staff functions related to this specialty.

KNOWLEDGE:

Knowledge is mandatory of theory of flight, air navigation, meteorology, flying directives, aircraft operating procedures, and mission tactics.

EXPERIENCE:

For upgrade to AFSCs 11H2X/3X, Unit Commander determines proficiency based on performance, experience, and completion of minimum training requirements. For award of AFSC 11H3X, certification of aircraft commander qualification by appropriate operations authority.

OSIB:

An Officer Screening and Interviewing Board (OSIB) will convene to interview all eligible applicants. Applicants will be informed in writing, or telephonically, of date and time to appear.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

Packages MUST be received no later than 2359 on the vacancy announcement closing date above*. Applicants will prepare and email their application package in one (1) PDF file (Portfolio format WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED). The file will be titled with the follow naming convention: VAFY-006 LAST FIRST (ex. VAFY-006 SMITH JOHN) and will include all the following content**:

- Cover Letter
- Resume
- Letter of Recommendation (Limited to 3)
- AF Form 24
- College transcript(s) – Possess a bachelor's degree from and accredited college/university or be currently enrolled as a senior in an accredited college/university and expected to complete all degree requirements within the current academic year.
- AFOQT Scores
- Test of Basic Aviation Skills (TBAS) results (Optional)
- vMPF Records Review (RIP), Career Data Brief, or SURF (Prior Service Candidates ONLY)
- Last three (3) OPB's or EPB's (Prior Service Candidates ONLY)
- Record of Separation/Discharge from the US Armed Forces (if applicable)

ALL of the above are required for the application package, unless otherwise stated.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION:

Please email all applications to: 106RQW.OfficerAccessions@us.af.mil. Packages accepted via **EMAIL ONLY**

Applicants who submit their application during business hours will receive a confirmation email upon submission. Submissions outside of business hours will be confirmed the next business day.

* Packages that are late or not in a single PDF file will **NOT** be accepted.

**Incomplete submissions, missing any of the required contents detailed above, will not be considered.

Inquiries for the above position can be made to: Capt Nicholas Napolitano, 631-723-7175,
nicholas.napolitano@us.af.mil

Send questions or concerns regarding the application process to: 106RQW.OfficerAccessions@us.af.mil