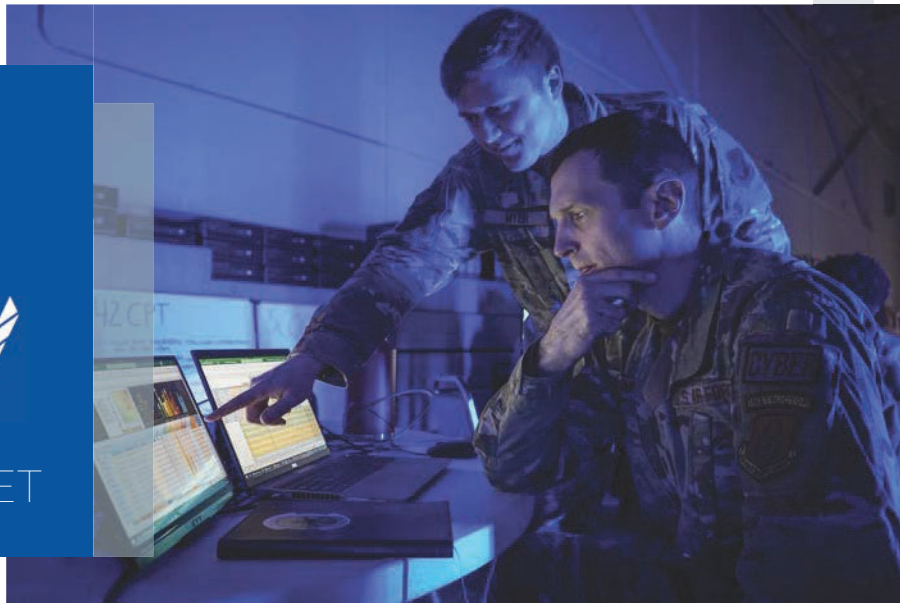


United States Air Force

# WARRANT OFFICER



FACT SHEET



## What is a Warrant Officer?

Air Force Warrant Officers are Professional Warfighters, Credible Advisors, Technical Integrators who stay on the cutting edge of their fields, ensuring they can provide the best solutions and technical mentorship for the Joint Force.

### KEY ATTRIBUTES

- ✓ Professional Warfighter that exemplifies DAF standards, professional ethics, and embodies a warrior ethos.
- ✓ Credible advisor that aids in the decision-making process by lending specialized knowledge to leaders due to superior technical knowledge, skills and attributes.
- ✓ Technical Integrator that develops personal and professional networks necessary to facilitate coordination among military capabilities, technical requirements and command teams.
- ✓ Understands how to apply problem-solving skills to various teams, organizations and systems to ensure unity of effort across the joint force.

### MISSION FOCUSED

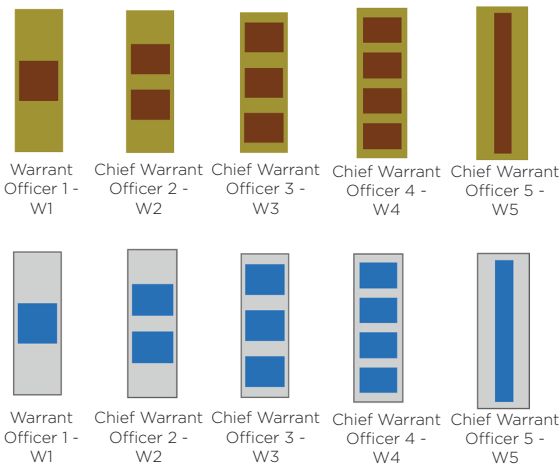
- ✓ Warrant Officers enhance the technical readiness and operational effectiveness within the force.
- ✓ Their warrior-minded approach, coupled with specialized expertise and mentorship abilities, enables them to contribute significantly to mission success across all domains.

### WHERE DO WARRANT OFFICERS FIT?

- ✓ SNCOs provide leadership, mentorship, and expertise to ensure mission success and the professional development of Airmen.
- ✓ Warrant officers provide expert tactical and technical advice, knowledge, and counsel. They can command detachment-level units. Serve as role models and mentors for officers and NCOs.
- ✓ Officers lead Airmen to execute the mission. They can command units and they manage resources while balancing risks, caring for their people and families, and improving the unit.

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## CUSTOMS & COURTESIES

### ADDRESS

Written:  
WO1: "Mr./Ms." or "Warrant Officer"  
WO2-5: "Mr./Ms." or "Chief Warrant Officer"  
Verbal:  
"Mr./Ms.," "Warrant," "Sir/Ma'am"

### SALUTING

Enlisted members will salute warrant officers, who will return the salute.  
Warrant officers will salute ranking officers, to include commissioned officers.