

# What is the Arctic ASI?



The Arctic ASI/SQIs are a series of codes used to identify those personnel who have completed Arctic/Cold Weather training in Alaska. Any Soldier who satisfies the criteria below and meets eligibility requirements can submit for the ASI through IPPS-A. Soldiers do not have to be in Alaska to submit for these ASI/SQIs.

## **Arctic Skills Specialist (J1)**

1. Must successfully complete 24 months in an active duty, Army Reserve or National Guard capacity in any MOS while assigned to an Alaska unit and not have any adverse action during assignment.
2. Within the period of assignment in (1) above, must complete CWIC levels I, II and III.
3. Have a current and valid ACFT or appropriate service fitness test & meet height/weight standards.

***\*This ASI/SQI is initiated by the Soldier after completing 24 months TOS & is VOLUNTARY***

***\*\*Former Arctic Soldiers are allowed to retroactively request this ASI if they have five years or less since their PCS from Alaska***

## **Arctic Soldier (J6)**

1. Must successfully complete Cold Weather Leaders Course (CWLC).
2. Have a current and valid ACFT & meet height/weight standards.
3. Must not have a P-2 or temporary profile(s) under the P, U, or L columns of the physical profile or a temporary/permanent profile restricting exposure to cold temperatures.

***\*\*There is no time requirement for requesting this ASI***

## **Arctic Leader (E9)**

1. Must successfully complete Cold Weather Orientation Course (CWOC).
2. Have a current and valid ACFT or appropriate service fitness test & meet height/weight standards.
3. Must not have a P-2 or temporary profile(s) under the P, U, or L columns of the physical profile or a temporary/permanent profile restricting exposure to cold temperatures.

***\*\*There is no time requirement for requesting this ASI***

## **Arctic Aviator/Operator (E2)**

1. Must successfully complete Isolation Survival (Cold Region) Course or Arctic Survival Training School.
2. Have a current and valid ACFT & meet height/weight standards.
3. Must not have a P-2 or temporary profile(s) under the P, U, or L columns of the physical profile or a temporary/permanent profile restricting exposure to cold temperatures.

***\*\*There is no time requirement for requesting this ASI***

# Arctic ASI Submission: Required Documents and Approval



## Submission for Arctic Skills Specialist (J1) – Admin Record Corrections PARS-Other – System Admin Update

Any Soldier that successfully completes 24 months in an active duty, Army Reserve or National Guard capacity in any MOS while assigned to an Alaska unit and did not have any adverse actions during their assignment will have to submit a Personnel Action Request (PAR) in IPPS-A through their unit S1 to the first O-5 in the Soldier's **current chain of command**.

### **Required documents needed for submission:**

- (1) Copy of orders bringing the Soldier to Alaska
- (2) Current Soldier's Talent Profile showing the Soldier completed their 24 month tour based off their Assignment History

## Submission for Arctic Soldier (J6), Arctic Leader (E9) & Arctic Aviator/Operator (E2)-Admin Record Corrections PARS-Other – System Admin Update – System Admin Update

### **Course Completion Prior to 1 May 2023 for J6, E9, E2**

Any Soldier that completed Cold Weather Leaders Course, Cold Weather Orientation Course or Isolation Survival (Cold Region) Course/Arctic Survival Training School prior to 1 May 2023 and would like to submit for the corresponding ASI, will have to submit a Personnel Action Request (PAR) in IPPS-A through their unit S1 to the first O-5 in the Soldier's **current chain of command**.

### **Required documents needed for submission :**

- (1) Certificate of completion from course
- (2) Current & valid ACFT card & DA Form 5500/5501 (if applicable)

### **Course Completion After to 1 May 2023 for J6, E9, E2**

Any Soldier that completes Cold Weather Leaders Course, Cold Weather Orientation Course or Isolation Survival (Cold Region) Course/Arctic Survival Training School after 1 May 2023, the system will automatically generate the ASI and course to the Soldier's record. The Soldier will then take their certificate to their unit S1 to upload into their OMPF file and ensure the ASI and course have been added to their Soldier's Talent Profile. If ATTRs does not automatically upload the ASI and course, the Soldier will have to submit a Personnel Action Request (PAR) in IPPS-A through their unit S1 to the first O-5 in the Soldier's **current chain of command**.

***\*\*It is on the individual Soldier to ensure their ASI/SQI and course have been updated and reflects on their record.***

***\*\*All ASI/SQIs will be submitted through the Soldier's current chain of command and does not have to be submitted through the 11th Airborne Division***