

Chapter 11: Excepted Service Appointments Natures of Action 130, 170, 171, 190, 570, 571, 590, 760

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1. Coverage

This chapter covers all appointments, conversions to appointments, and extensions of temporary appointments that are made without regard to the competitive requirements of civil service rules and regulations, and that are not to positions in the Senior Executive Service (SES). Instructions for SES appointments are published in Chapter 13 [of this guide](#).

2. Definitions

- a. **Appointment.** Any personnel action that brings an individual onto the rolls (staff) of an agency.
- b. **Conversion.** The changing of an employee from one appointment to another *** (under *** the same or a different authority) in the same agency with *** a break [in service](#) of 3 days or less.
- c. **Extension.** The continuation of a time-limited appointment ([i.e.](#), one with a [not-to-exceed](#) [NTE] date) up to the maximum time allowed by the authority under which it was effectuated.
- d. **Provisional Appointment.** *** [A designation an agency may give to a temporary appointment made under conditions specified in 5 CFR 316.403 when the agency intends later to convert the employee to a nontemporary appointment when required conditions are met. This designation provides eligibility for retirement coverage, health benefits, and life insurance pending such conversion.](#)
- e. [Provisional Appt NTE.](#) The nature of action used for a temporary appointment made under conditions specified in [5 CFR 316.403](#) when the agency intends later to convert the employee to a nontemporary appointment when required conditions are met. Appointments designated as provisional provide eligibility for retirement coverage, health benefits, and life insurance.
- f. **Time-Limited Appointment.** A non-permanent appointment made for more than 1 year.

3. Special Conditions

When making appointments in the excepted service, certain special conditions may impact the documentation of the personnel actions and

require additional instructions.

- a. **Person is retired.** When the person being appointed is retired from Federal civilian service, you must follow the instructions in Chapter 3 >(Figure 3-4) as< appropriate for excepted service appointments.
- b. **Separations by RIF.** If an employee who is >about< to be separated by reduction in force (RIF) procedures accepts a nonpermanent appointment in the same agency, each action must be documented separately, regardless of when the new appointment begins. >In this scenario,< the losing office processes a 356/Separation-RIF and the gaining office processes the new appointment. If an employee accepts an offer of assignment under *** RIF regulations to a specifically temporary position (e.g., a career employee accepts an offer >for< *** a position scheduled to be abolished in a year), >process the employee's movement to the new position< *** as a Reassignment, Position Change, >or other action according to the< instructions in Chapter 14 of this Guide.
- c. **Concurrent employment.** If >an< employee will be employed concurrently in two (or more) agencies, follow instructions in the [Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance: A Handbook for Employees, Annuitants, Compensationers and Employing Offices](#) and the [Federal Employees' Health Benefit Program: A Handbook for Enrollees and Employing Offices](#) to determine how >life insurance and< health benefits >should< *** be handled, and >how< to document those determinations on the [SF-52](#) and [SF-50](#)).
- d. **Appointments funded by >certain laws.< ***>Some** appointments are cited with a second legal authority to document that they are funded by a specific law. For these appointments, cite the first legal authority code(s) according to Tables 11-A through 11-C and cite the second legal authority as:<

Law Number	Law Title	Effective Date	Second LAC/Authority
Public Law 111-5	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA)	February 17, 2009	ZEA: Pub. L. 111-5
Public Law 117-58	Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)	November 15, 2021	ZBB: P.L. 117-58

Job Aid

Instructions for Processing Personnel Actions on Appointments in the Excepted Service

Step	Action
1	<p>When actions involve persons new to your agency's rolls, compare data on the SF-52 submitted by the requesting office with the >job< application and other documents submitted >for the appointee<.</p> <p>When actions involve persons already on your agency's rolls, compare data on the SF-52 submitted by the requesting office with the last action in the employee's Official Personnel Folder (OPF) to be sure it is correct. ***</p> <p>If the employee is being converted to a new appointment on the same date that he or she returns to duty from nonpay status, both the return-to-duty (RTD) action and the conversion must be documented. Follow the instructions in Chapter 16 to document the RTD and the instructions in this chapter to document the conversion. If the actions are being documented on a single SF-52 and SF-50, enter the nature of action and authority for the RTD in blocks 5A-5F.</p> <p>If the employee will change >their< *** work schedule, or the number of hours >they work< *** on a part-time basis will change as a result of the conversion action, the new schedule/hours must be documented. Follow the instructions in Chapter 24 to select the nature of action, authority, and remarks for the change in work schedule or hours action.</p> <p>If the conversion and the change in work schedule or hours are being documented on the same SF-52 and SF-50, enter the nature of action and authority for the change in work schedule or hours in blocks 6A-6F; for a Change in Hours action, enter the new hours per pay period in block 33.</p>

Step	Action
	<p>>If< an RTD and a conversion are effective on the same date as a change in work schedule or hours, and the RTD and conversion are being recorded on the same SF-52 and SF-50, >document the return to duty in blocks 5A-5F, the conversion in blocks 6A-6F,< the new work schedule in block 32, and the new hours in block 33. *** >You do not need an additional SF-52/50 to document the change in work schedule or hours.<</p> <p>If the employee is voluntarily converting from a competitive service appointment to an excepted service appointment, obtain a statement from >them that they are< *** leaving the competitive service voluntarily to accept an appointment in the excepted service.</p>
2	<p>Use Table 11-A or Table 11-B to select the nature of action and authority for the appointment or conversion and put them in blocks 5A-5F of the SF-52.</p> <p>If the action is being taken under an authority that is unique to your department or agency, cite that authority (along with the authority code approved by OPM) instead of the authority and code shown in this chapter.</p>
3	<p>Use Table 11-C to select remarks *** required by OPM for the action and enter them in Part F of the SF-52.</p> <p>Also enter in Part F any additional remarks *** that are required by your agency's instructions or that are necessary to explain the action.</p>
4	<p>>Check< Chapter 3 to see what forms must be obtained or prepared with the action. You may need information from them to complete the SF-52. Follow instructions in that chapter to complete and distribute them.</p>
5	<p>Complete the SF-52 as required by instructions in Chapter 4.</p> <p>>For< an excepted appointment that is "conditional," enter "2" in block 24 of the SF-52. For an excepted appointment that is "indefinite" or "provisional," enter "3" in block 24 of the SF-52.</p> <p>Follow your agency's procedures to get the approval signatures on the SF-52.</p>

Step	Action
6	Follow instructions in Chapter 4 to complete the SF-50 ; follow your agency's instructions to have the SF-50 signed or authenticated.
7	<p>Check The Guide to Personnel Recordkeeping to decide if any of the documents submitted with or created in connection with the action should be filed on the right side of the employee's Official Personnel Folder.</p> <p>Follow your agency's instructions to dispose of those not filed in the folder.</p>
8	<p>Prepare and distribute required notices:</p> <p>If the employee is coming from another agency with no break in service (or with a break of 3 calendar days or less), make another copy of the SF-50 (or list form of notice) and send it to the servicing personnel office in the "losing" agency, requesting that employee's Official Personnel Folder and SF-1150, Leave Record, be forwarded to your office.</p> <p>If you cannot send a copy of the appointment SF-50 (the "pick-up 50") to the losing agency within 5 days of the effective date of the appointment, send a copy of the appointment SF-52 instead. The copy must be signed by the appointing official in Part C, block 2 of the SF-52.</p> <p>Note: When the gaining agency is using an OPM-approved electronic SF-52 or SF-52 signature system, use a letter or other written document as required by the losing agency to request the OPF. The request letter or other written document as required by the losing agency must be signed by the appointing official, and contain the information in Part B, blocks 1-6 and 15-22 of the SF-52.</p> <p>>If the employee< *** is being converted to a new appointment and will be serviced by a new payroll office, give the employee a completed SF-8, Notice to Federal Employee About Unemployment Insurance, before the effective date of the conversion. Show the full name and address of the payroll office where the individual's records are maintained.</p>
9	Follow your agency's instructions for distributing the *** SF-50 .

Tables

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<i>If Excepted Appointment Is</i>	<i>Go to Rules</i>
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Table 11-A. Excepted Appointments that Are Not Based on Exercise of Reemployment or Restoration Rights

Rule	If the Person	And the Appointment	And the Person	Then NOAC Is	NOA Is	Auth Code Is	And Authority Is (See Notes 1-4, 9)	Notes	Remarks
1	Is being employed under a Schedule A, B, or C authority that is not specifically covered by the rules below	Is without time limitation	Is not on your agency's rolls	170	Exc Appt	(Cite code for Schedule A, B, or C authority that authorizes the appt. or conversion)	(Cite authority under Schedule A, B, or C that authorizes the appointment or conversion)	1. >In addition to any other authorities required by this table, you may cite< "ZLM: Other Citation (law, E.O., or Reg.)" >as a second authority when appropriate.< If a SF-59, Request for Approval of Non-Competitive Action , was obtained from OPM for the action, also include with the authorities "ABM: SF-59 approved (date)." Cite ABM as the last authority. 2. If appointment was made using special priority under the agency's Career Transition Assistance Program (CTAP), cite "ABR: Reg 330.608 " following authorities required by this table and ZLM, if used. 3. *** >Reserved< 4. For information on Schedule A, B, C, and D, see 5 CFR 213 . For authority codes for Schedules A, B, C, and D, see Figure 11-1 , or The Guide to Data Standards . 9. Use Secondary LAC "ZBB" for actions in support of the (BIL) Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117- 58) .	Use as many remarks from Table 11-C as are applicable.
2			Is already on your agency's rolls	570	Conv to Exc Appt				
3		Is temporary or time-limited	Is not on your agency's rolls	171	Exc Appt NTE (date)				
4			Is already on your agency's rolls	571	Conv to Exc Appt NTE (date)				
5	Is being appointed on a temporary basis to a continuing position when the agency intends later to convert the employee to a non-temporary position and has current authority for such conversion		Is not on your agency's rolls	190	Provisional Appt NTE (date)	(Cite code for the Sch A, B, or C, statutory, or regulatory authority for the appointment)	(Cite the Sch A, B, or C, statutory, or regulatory authority for the appt)		
6			Is already on your agency's rolls	590	Conv to Provisional Appt NTE (date)				
7	Is already employed under the Veterans Recruitment Appointment (VRA) in a different agency	Is to a VRA position without a break in service		130	Transfer	J8M	Pub. L. 107-288		

Table 11-A. Excepted Appointments that Are Not Based on Exercise of Reemployment or Restoration Rights, Continued

Rule	If the Person	And the Appointment	And the Person	Then NOAC Is	NOA Is	Auth Code Is	And Authority Is (See Notes 1-4, 9)	Notes	Remarks	
8	Is being employed under the Veterans Recruitment Appointment (VRA) on an appointment without time limitation (See Note 5)		Is not on your agency's rolls	170	Exc Appt	J8M	Pub. L. 107-288	<p>1. >In addition to any other authorities required by this table, you may cite< "ZLM: Other Citation (law, E.O., or Reg.)" >as a second authority when appropriate.< If a SF-59, Request for Approval of Non-Competitive Action, was obtained from OPM for the action, also include with the authorities "ABM: SF-59 approved (date)." Cite ABM as the last authority.</p> <p>2. If appointment was made using special priority under the agency's Career Transition Assistance Program (CTAP), cite "ABR: Reg 330.608" following authorities required by this table and ZLM, if used.</p> <p>3. *** >Reserved<</p> <p>4. For information on Schedule A, B, C, and D, see 5 CFR 213. For authority codes for Schedules A, B, C, and D, see Figure 11-1, or The Guide to Data Standards.</p> <p>5. Individuals receiving Veterans Recruitment Appointments are placed in Tenure Group II of the Excepted Service.</p> <p>6. These instructions apply only when the Veterans Recruitment Appointment is to a position in an excepted service agency or organization. When a Veterans Recruitment Appointment is made on a temporary basis to a competitive service position, follow the instructions in Chapter 10.</p> <p>9. Use Secondary LAC "ZBB" for actions in support of the (BIL) Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117- 58).</p>	Use as many remarks from Table 11-C as are applicable.	
9			Is already on your agency's rolls	570	Conv to Exc Appt					
10	Is being employed under the Veterans Recruitment Appointment (VRA) on a temporary appointment (See Note 6)		Is not on your agency's rolls	171	Exc Appt NTE (date)					
11			Is already on your agency's rolls	571	Conv to Exc Appt NTE (date)					
12	Is converted from an SES career appointment under which the individual had guaranteed placement rights to an appointment in the excepted service	Is based on unacceptable performance during SES probationary period	Is already on your agency's rolls	570	Conv to Exc Appt	(Cite code for authority under which conversion is based) and VDJ	(Cite the authority under which the conversion is based) and 5 U.S.C. 3594(a)			
13						Is based on less than fully successful performance following SES probationary period	(Cite code for authority under which conversion is based) and VCS			(Cite the authority under which the conversion is based) and 5 U.S.C. 3594(b)(1)
14						Is based on a reduction in force in SES	(Cite code for authority under which conversion is based) and VCT			(Cite the authority under which the conversion is based) and 5 U.S.C. 3594(b)(2)
15	Reserved	***	***	***	***	***	***			

Table 11-A. Excepted Appointments that Are Not Based on Exercise of Reemployment or Restoration Rights, Continued

Rule	If the Person	And the Appointment	And the Person	Then NOAC Is	NOA Is	Auth Code Is	And Authority Is (See Notes 1-4, 9)	Notes	Remarks
16	Is appointed by President with advice and consent of Senate (See Note 7)	Is without time limitation	Is not on your agency's rolls	170	Exc Appt	ZNM	(Enter Law, E.O., or Reg. that authorizes Presidential appointment with advice and consent of Senate)	1. >In addition to any other authorities required by this table, you may cite< "ZLM: Other Citation (law, E.O., or Reg.)" >as a second authority when appropriate.< If a SF-59, Request for Approval of Non-Competitive Action , was obtained from OPM for the action, also include with the authorities "ABM: SF-59 approved (date)." Cite ABM as the last authority. 2. If appointment was made using special priority under the agency's Career Transition Assistance Program (CTAP), cite "ABR: Reg 330.608 " following authorities required by this table and ZLM, if used.	Use as many remarks from Table 11-C as are applicable.
17			Is already on your agency's rolls	570	Conv to Exc Appt				
18		Is temporary	Is not on your agency's rolls	171	Exc Appt NTE (date)				
19			Is already on your agency's rolls	571	Conv to Exc Appt NTE (date)				
20	Is appointed by President when advice and consent of Senate is not required (See Note 7)	Is without time limitation	Is not on your agency's rolls	170	Exc Appt	ZKM	(Enter Law, E.O., or Reg. that authorizes Presidential appt)	3. *** >Reserved< 4. For information on Schedule A, B, C, and D, see 5 CFR 213 . For authority codes for Schedules A, B, C, and D, see Figure 11-1 , or The Guide to Data Standards . 7. Employee is placed in Tenure Group 0. 9. Use Secondary LAC "ZBB" for actions in support of the (BIL) Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117- 58) .	
21			Is already on your agency's rolls	570	Conv to Exc Appt				
22	Is appointed by the President when advice and consent of the Senate is not required (See Note 7)	Is temporary	Is not on your agency's rolls	171	Exc Appt NTE (date)	ZKM	(Enter Law, E.O., or Reg. that authorizes Presidential appt)		
23			Is already on your agency's rolls	571	Conv to Exc Appt NTE (date)				
24	Is an expert or consultant appointed under 5 U.S.C. 3109 and agency's appropriation act or other statute	Is without time limitation	Is not on your agency's rolls	170	Exc Appt	H2L	Reg. 304.103		

Table 11-A. Excepted Appointments that Are Not Based on Exercise of Reemployment or Restoration Rights, Continued

Rule	If the Person	And the Appointment	And the Person	Then NOAC Is	NOA Is	Auth Code Is	And Authority Is (See Notes 1-4, 9)	Notes	Remarks
25	Is an expert or consultant appointed under 5 U.S.C. 3109 and agency's appropriation act or other statute	Is without time limitation	Is already on your agency's rolls	570	Conv to Exc Appt	H2L	Reg. 304.103	<p>1. >In addition to any other authorities required by this table, you may cite< "ZLM: Other Citation (law, E.O., or Reg.)" >as a second authority when appropriate.< If a SF-59, Request for Approval of Non-Competitive Action, was obtained from OPM for the action, also include with the authorities "ABM: SF-59 approved (date)." Cite ABM as the last authority.</p> <p>2. If appointment was made using special priority under the agency's Career Transition Assistance Program (CTAP), cite "ABR: Reg 330.608" following authorities required by this table and ZLM, if used.</p> <p>3. *** >Reserved<</p> <p>4. For information on Schedule A, B, C, and D, see 5 CFR 213. For authority codes for Schedules A, B, C, and D, see Figure 11-1, or The Guide to Data Standards.</p> <p>9. Use Secondary LAC "ZBB" for actions in support of the (BIL) Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117- 58).</p>	Use as many remarks from Table 11-C as are applicable.
26		Is temporary	Is not on your agency's rolls	171	Exc Appt NTE (date)				
27		Is already on your agency's rolls	571	Conv to Exc Appt NTE (date)					
28	Is a foreign national recruited overseas for an overseas position	Is without time limitation	Is not on your agency's rolls	170	Exc Appt	BPM	CS Rule 8.3		
29			Is already on your agency's rolls	570	Conv to Exc Appt				
30		Is temporary	Is not on your agency's rolls	171	Exc Appt NTE (date)				
31			Is already on your agency's rolls	571	Conv to Exc Appt NTE (date)				
32	Is selected under Intergovernmental Personnel Act (IPA)	Is under the authority of 5 U.S.C. 3374	Is not on your agency's rolls	171	Exc Appt NTE (date)	VPE	5 U.S.C. 3374		

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Rule	If the Person	And the Appointment	And the Person	Then NOAC Is	NOA Is	Auth Code Is	And Authority Is (See Notes 1-4, 9)	Notes	Remarks
33	Is employed under the authority of Sch A, 213.3102(i) in a position for which a critical hiring need exists	Is temporary	Is not on your agency's rolls	171	Exc Appt NTE (date)	W9P	Sch A, 213.3102(i)(2)	<p>1. >In addition to any other authorities required by this table, you may cite< "ZLM: Other Citation (law, E.O., or Reg.)" >as a second authority when appropriate.< If a SF-59, Request for Approval of Non-Competitive Action, was obtained from OPM for the action, also include with the authorities "ABM: SF-59 approved (date)." Cite ABM as the last authority.</p> <p>2. If appointment was made using special priority under the agency's Career Transition Assistance Program (CTAP), cite "ABR: Reg 330.608" following authorities required by this table and ZLM, if used.</p> <p>3. *** >Reserved<</p> <p>4. For information on Schedule A, B, C, and D, see 5 CFR 213. For authority codes for Schedules A, B, C, and D, see Figure 11-1, or The Guide to Data Standards.</p> <p>9. Use Secondary LAC "ZBB" for actions in support of the (BIL) Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117- 58).</p>	Use as many remarks from Table 11-C as are applicable.
34			Is already on your agency's rolls	571	Conv to Exc Appt NTE (date)				
35		Is without time limitation on a less than full-time basis	Is not on your agency's rolls	170	Exc Appt				
36			Is already on your agency's rolls	570	Conv to Exc Appt				
37	Is employed as an Intern	Is under the Internship Program of the Pathways Program	Is not on your agency's rolls	170	Exc Appt	YEA	Sch D, 213.3402(a)		
38			Is already on your agency's rolls	570	Conv to Exc Appt				
39			Is not on your agency's rolls	171	Exc Appt NTE (date)				
40	Is employed as an Intern	Is under the Internship Program of the Pathways Program	Is already on your agency's rolls	571	Conv to Exc Appt NTE (date)	YEA	Sch D, 213.3402(a)		

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Rule	If the Person	And the Appointment	And the Person	Then NOAC Is	NOA Is	Auth Code Is	And Authority Is (See Notes 1-4, 9)	Notes	Remarks
41	Is employed as a Recent Graduate	Is under the Recent Graduates Program of the Pathways Programs	Is not on your agency's rolls	170	Exc Appt	YEB	Sch D, 213.3402(b)	<p>1. >In addition to any other authorities required by this table, you may cite< "ZLM: Other Citation (law, E.O., or Reg.)" >as a second authority when appropriate.< If a SF-59, Request for Approval of Non-Competitive Action, was obtained from OPM for the action, also include with the authorities "ABM: SF-59 approved (date)." Cite ABM as the last authority.</p> <p>2. If appointment was made using special priority under the agency's Career Transition Assistance Program (CTAP), cite "ABR: Reg 330.608" following authorities required by this table and ZLM, if used.</p> <p>3. *** >Reserved<</p> <p>4. For information on Schedule A, B, C, and D, see 5 CFR 213. For authority codes for Schedules A, B, C, and D, see Figure 11-1, or The Guide to Data Standards.</p> <p>9. Use Secondary LAC "ZBB" for actions in support of the (BIL) Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117- 58).</p>	Use as many remarks from Table 11-C as are applicable.
42			Is already on your agency's rolls	570	Conv to Exc Appt				
43	Is already employed as a Recent Graduate in a different agency		Is not on your agency's rolls	170	Exc Appt	YEP	Reg. 362.304		
44	Is employed as a Presidential Management Fellow	Is under the Presidential Management Fellows Program of the Pathways Program	Is not on your agency's rolls	170	Exc Appt	YEC	Sch D, 213.3402(c)		
45			Is already on your agency's rolls	570	Conv to Exc Appt				
46	Is already employed as a Presidential Management Fellow in a different agency	Is under the Presidential Management Fellows Program of the Pathways Program	Is not on your agency's rolls	170	Exc Appt	YER	Reg. 362.406		
47	Is being readmitted as a Presidential Management Fellow		Is not on your agency's rolls	170	Exc Appt	YES	Reg. 362.407		
48			Is already on your agency's rolls	570	Conv to Exc Appt				

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Rule	If the Person	And the Appointment	And the Person	Then NOAC Is	NOA Is	Auth Code Is	And Authority Is (See Notes 1-4, 9)	Notes	Remarks
49	Is currently serving on a SCEP appt which is being converted to an appt under the Internship Program of the Pathways Programs under Sch D, 213.3402(a) (See Note 8 BEFORE citing this rule)	Is without time limitation	Is already on your agency's rolls	570	Conv to Exc Appt	YEF	Sch D, 213.3402(a) - SCEP	<p>1. >In addition to any other authorities required by this table, you may cite< "ZLM: Other Citation (law, E.O., or Reg.)" >as a second authority when appropriate.< If a SF-59, Request for Approval of Non-Competitive Action, was obtained from OPM for the action, also include with the authorities "ABM: SF-59 approved (date)." Cite ABM as the last authority.</p> <p>2. If appointment was made using special priority under the agency's Career Transition Assistance Program (CTAP), cite "ABR: Reg 330.608" following authorities required by this table and ZLM, if used.</p> <p>3. *** >Reserved<</p> <p>4. For information on Schedule A, B, C, and D, see 5 CFR 213. For authority codes for Schedules A, B, C, and D, see Figure 11-1, or The Guide to Data Standards.</p> <p>8. Conversion under this authority may only occur with prior approval from OPM. Please contact the Student Programs Office at pathways@opm.gov for additional information.</p> <p>9. Use Secondary LAC "ZBB" for actions in support of the (BIL Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117- 58)).</p>	Use as many remarks from Table 11-C as are applicable.
50	Is currently serving on a STEP appt which is being converted to an appt under the Internship Program of the Pathways Programs under Sch D, 213.3402(a) (See Note 8 BEFORE citing this rule)	Is temporary	Is already on your agency's rolls	571	Conv to Exc Appt NTE (date)	YEG	Sch D, 213.3402(a) - STEP		
51	Is currently serving on a PMF appt (Reg. 213.3102(ii)) and appt is being converted to an appt under the PMF Program of the Pathways Programs under Sch D, 213.3402(c) (See Note 8 BEFORE citing this rule)	Is without time limitation	Is already on your agency's rolls	570	Conv to Exc Appt	YEH	Sch D, 213.3402(c) - PMF		

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Rule	If the Person	And the Appointment	And the Person	Then NOAC Is	NOA Is	Auth Code Is	And Authority Is (See Notes 1-4, 9)	Notes	Remarks
52	Is employed under the authority of any other law, Executive Order or Reg. not covered in the preceding rules of this Table (including Experts and Consultants employed under agency authority similar to that of 5 U.S.C. 3109)	Is without time limitation	Is not on your agency's rolls	170	Ext Appt	ZLM	(Enter Law, E.O., or Reg. that authorizes the appointment or conversion)	1. >In addition to any other authorities required by this table, you may cite< "ZLM: Other Citation (law, E.O., or Reg.)" >as a second authority when appropriate.< If a SF-59, Request for Approval of Non-Competitive Action , was obtained from OPM for the action, also include with the authorities "ABM: SF-59 approved (date)." Cite ABM as the last authority. 2. If appointment was made using special priority under the agency's Career Transition Assistance Program (CTAP), cite "ABR: Reg 330.608 " following authorities required by this table and ZLM, if used. 3. *** >Reserved< 4. For information on Schedule A, B, C, and D, see 5 CFR 213 . For authority codes for Schedules A, B, C, and D, see Figure 11-1 , or The Guide to Data Standards . 9. Use Secondary LAC "ZBB" for actions in support of the (BIL) Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117- 58) .	Use as many remarks from Table 11-C as are applicable.
53			Is already on your agency's rolls	570	Conv to Exc Appt				
54		Is temporary	Is not on your agency's rolls	171	Exc Appt NTE (date)				
55		Is already on your agency's rolls	571	Conv to Exc Appt NTE (date)					
56	Previously served on a STEP appt which was converted to an appt NTE under the Internship Program of the Pathways Programs	Is being extended	Is already on your agency's rolls	760	Ext of Appt NTE (date)	YEA	Sch D, 213.3402(a)		
57	Is serving on an Exc Appt NTE that is not described in rule 56 above								

Table 11-B. Excepted Appointments Based on Exercise of Reemployment or Restoration Rights

Rule	If the Person	And	Then NOAC Is	NOA Is	Auth Code Is	And Authority Is (See Notes 1-4, 6)	Notes	Remarks
1	Is exercising statutory restoration rights upon return from uniformed service	Appointment held prior to the separation upon which restoration is based was without time limitation	170	Exc Appt	QAK and (Cite auth code for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which restoration is based)	Reg. 353.207 and (Cite authority for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which restoration is based)	<p>1. >In addition to any other authorities required by this table, you may cite< "ZLM: Other Citation (law, E.O., or Reg.)" >as a second authority when appropriate.<</p> <p>2. If an SF-59, Request for Approval of Non-Competitive Action, was obtained from OPM for the action, also include with the authorities "ABM: SF-59 approved (date)." Cite ABM as the last authority.</p> <p>3. For information on Schedule A, B, C, and D, see 5 CFR 213. For authority codes for Schedules A, B, C, and D, see Figure 11-1, or The Guide to Data Standards.</p> <p>4. On a restoration or reemployment action, cite as the second authority the one that was used for the last appointment or conversion to appointment that occurred before the employee left their agency. Use The Guide to Data Standards to identify the code for that legal authority.</p> <p>5. If MSPB determines restoration was improper, cancel it following instructions in Chapter 32 of this Guide.</p> <p>6. Use Secondary LAC "ZBB" for actions in support of the (BIL) Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117- 58).</p>	Use as many remarks from Table 11-C as are applicable.
2		Appointment held prior to the separation upon which restoration is based was temporary	171	Exc Appt NTE (date)				
3	Is ordered by MSPB directive to be restored to duty when person appeals failure to restore or improper restoration after uniformed service (See Note 5)	Appointment held prior to the separation upon which restoration is based was without time limitation	170	Exc Appt	ALM and (Cite auth code for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which restoration is based)	MSPB Directive—US and (Cite authority for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which restoration is based)		
4		Appointment held prior to the separation upon which restoration is based was temporary	171	Exc Appt NTE (date)				
5	Is exercising statutory restoration rights upon full recovery from a compensable injury		170	Exc Appt	QBK and (Cite auth code for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which reemployment is based)	Reg. 353.301 and (Cite authority for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which restoration is based)		
6	Is appointed based on their partial recovery from a compensable injury				QCK and (Cite auth code for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which reemployment is based)	Reg. 353.301(d) and (Cite authority for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which reemployment is based)		

Table 11-B. Excepted Appointments Based on Exercise of Reemployment or Restoration Rights, Continued

Rule	If the Person	And	Then NOAC Is	NOA Is	Auth Code Is	And Authority Is (See Notes 1-4, 6)	Notes	Remarks
7	Is ordered by MSPB Directive to be restored to duty after person appeals failure to restore or improper restoration upon recovery from compensable injury (See Note 5)		170	Exc Appt	AQM and (Cite auth code for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which restoration is based)	MSPB Directive Inj and (Cite authority for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which restoration is based)	1. >In addition to any other authorities required by this table, you may cite< "ZLM: Other Citation (law, E.O., or Reg.)" >as a second authority when appropriate.< 2. If an SF-59, Request for Approval of Non-Competitive Action , was obtained from OPM for the action, also include with the authorities "ABM: SF-59 approved (date)." Cite ABM as the last authority.	Use as many remarks from Table 11-C as are applicable.
8	Exercises reemployment rights after having moved between executive agencies during an emergency				PWM and (Cite auth code for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which reemployment is based)	Reg. 352.204 and (Cite authority for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which reemployment is based)	3. For information on Schedule A, B, C, and D, see 5 CFR 213 . For authority codes for Schedules A, B, C, and D, see Figure 11-1 , or The Guide to Data Standards .	
9	Exercises reemployment rights after having transferred to an international organization	Is not on your agency's rolls	170	Exc Appt	P3M and (Cite auth code for the appointment held prior to separation upon which reemployment is based)	Reg. 352.311 and (Cite authority for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which reemployment is based)	4. On a restoration or reemployment action, cite as the second authority the one that was used for the last appointment or conversion to appointment that occurred before the employee left their agency. Use The Guide to Data Standards to identify the code for that legal authority.	
10	Exercises reinstatement rights after serving in the Agency for International Development under sections 233(d) and 625(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act				P5M and (Cite auth code for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which reemployment is based)	Reg. 352.507 and (Cite authority for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which reemployment is based)	5. If MSPB determines restoration was improper, cancel it following instructions in Chapter 32 of this Guide.	
11		Is already on your agency's rolls	570	Conv to Exc Appt			6. Use Secondary LAC "ZBB" for actions in support of the (BIL) Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117- 58) .	

Table 11-B. Excepted Appointments Based on Exercise of Reemployment or Restoration Rights, Continued

Rule	If the Person	And	Then NOAC Is	NOA Is	Auth Code Is	And Authority Is (See Notes 1-4, 6)	Notes	Remarks
12	Exercises reemployment rights after service with the American Institute in Taiwan	Is not on your agency's rolls	170	Exc Appt	P7M	Reg. 352.803	<p>1. >In addition to any other authorities required by this table, you may cite< "ZLM: Other Citation (law, E.O., or Reg.)" >as a second authority when appropriate.<</p> <p>2. If an SF-59, Request for Approval of Non-Competitive Action, was obtained from OPM for the action, also include with the authorities "ABM: SF-59 approved (date)." Cite ABM as the last authority.</p>	Use as many remarks from Table 11-C as are applicable.
13	Exercises reemployment rights under circumstances not covered in Rules 1-12			ZRM and (Cite auth code for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which reemployment is based)	(Cite authority for the reemployment) and (Cite authority for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which reemployment is based)	<p>3. For information on Schedule A, B, C, and D, see 5 CFR 213. For authority codes for Schedules A, B, C, and D, see Figure 11-1, or The Guide to Data Standards.</p>		
14		Is already on your agency's rolls	570	Conv to Exc Appt	ZRM and (Cite auth code for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which reemployment is based)	(Cite authority for the reemployment) and (Cite authority for the appointment held prior to the separation upon which reemployment is based)	<p>4. On a restoration or reemployment action, cite as the second authority the one that was used for the last appointment or conversion to appointment that occurred before the employee left their agency. Use The Guide to Data Standards to identify the code for that legal authority.</p> <p>6. Use Secondary LAC "ZBB" for actions in support of the (BIL) Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117- 58).</p>	

Table 11-C. Remarks to Be Shown on SF-50

Use as many remarks as are applicable.

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<i>Rule</i>	<i>If</i>	<i>And</i>	<i>Then Remark Code Is</i>	<i>And Remark Is</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1	Employee was required to complete an appointment affidavit, SF-61		M01	Appointment affidavit executed (date).	9. The first character of the code must be either Y or Z and the agency's remark should address the duration of the trial period. Further guidance on establishing remarks internal to an agency is in Chapter 1 , Section 1-4c (2) of this Guide.
2	Action is an appointment or a conversion to appointment		M39	Creditable Military Service: (enter yrs and mos, e.g., "6 yrs, 7 mos") [This remark is not required for reemployed Civil Service annuitants. For others enter "none" or follow the instructions in Chapter 6 to calculate years and months of service.]	
3			M40	Previous Retirement Coverage: (enter "never covered" or "previously covered") ["Previously covered" means employee was previously covered by CSRS or FERS.]	
4		Employee is a Recent Graduate or Fellow under the Pathways Programs	A36	The duration of a Pathways appointment under Sch D is a trial period.	
5		Appointment or conversion to appointment action requires employee to complete a trial period and Rule 4 is not applicable	Employee has not completed that trial period	Determined by employing agency (See Note 9)	
6		Employee has already completed that trial period	E03	Trial period completed.	
7	Employee is given excepted appointment in an agency which uses an appointment system equivalent to the career-conditional appointment system in the competitive service	Employee has not completed the service requirement for Tenure Group I	T09	Service counting towards permanent tenure from (date).	
8		Employee has completed the service requirement for Tenure Group I	T08	Service counting towards permanent tenure from (date) to (date).	

Table 11-C. Remarks to Be Shown on SF-50, Continued

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Use as many remarks as applicable.

Rule	If	And	Then Remark Code Is	And Remark Is	Notes
9	Employee qualified for position under a training agreement under which he or she is placed directly into target occupation without first meeting qualification standards		E56	Qualified for this position only under training agreement. Not eligible for other positions in this series until satisfactorily completes prescribed training.	<p>3. Be sure to attach >the employment or working agreement< to the *** SF-50.</p> <p>4. Tenure group in block 24 changes to "3."</p> <p>5. Service year means a consecutive 12-month period beginning with date of the first appointment under a specific authority. Calendar year means the 12-month period beginning on January 1 and ending on December 31. Unless otherwise stated, appointments limited to a specific number of hours during a year refer to a "service year." Thus, if an appointment is limited to 1040 hours during a year, the year begins on date of the appointment and runs for 12 consecutive months from that date.</p>
10	Employee is a seasonal employee, i.e., one who is employed under conditions requiring a recurring period of employment of less than 2080 hours per year in which he or she is placed in nonpay status in accordance with pre-established conditions of employment		A01	Appointment is on a seasonal basis; the employee is subject to release to nonpay status and recall to duty to meet workload requirements as a condition of employment in accordance with the attached agreement. (See Note 3)	
11	Appointment is indefinite, i.e., nonpermanent without a definite time limitation, and there is no plan (or employee is not eligible under any existing plan) for movement into the agency's permanent workforce without new examination of qualifications		E01	Appointment is indefinite.	
12	Employee is currently serving in tenure group "0"	Has completed one year of current continuous employment	T11	Completed 1 year of current continuous service. (See Note 4)	
13	Action is a Provisional Appt NTE or a Conversion to Provisional Appt NTE		E58	Appointment is on a provisional basis. You are eligible for retirement coverage and for health benefits and life insurance. If your performance is satisfactory, and you meet all legal, qualifications, and other applicable requirements, you may be converted to a nontemporary appointment before this appointment expires.	
14	Employee is given a time-limited appointment (NOA 171), or a time-limited appointment is extended		M06	Reason for temporary appointment: (state reason)	
15	Appointment is made under Schedule A, Sec. 213.3102(o)	This is the employee's first appointment under the authority during the service year (See Note 5)	A11	Employment under this appointment must not exceed (number) working days a year.	

Table 11-C. Remarks to Be Shown on SF-50, Continued

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Rule	If	And	Then Remark Code Is	And Remark Is	Notes
16	Appointment authority limits the number of days employee may work during a service year	Employee is served in your agency under another appointment under the same authority within the past year (See Note 5)	A12	Employment under this and previous appointment must not exceed (number) working days a year.	<p>5. Service year means a consecutive 12-month period beginning with date of the first appointment under a specific authority. Calendar year means the 12-month period beginning on January 1 and ending on December 31. Unless otherwise stated, appointments limited to a specific number of hours during a year refer to a "service year." Thus, if an appointment is limited to 1040 hours during a year, the year begins on date of the appointment and runs for 12 consecutive months from that date.</p> <p>6. Employees are placed in Tenure Group II.</p>
17	Appointment authority limits the number of hours employee may work during a service year	This is the employee's first appointment under this authority during the service year (See Note 5)	A07	Employment under this appointment must not exceed (number) hours a year.	
18	Appointment authority limits the number of hours employee may work during a service year	Employee has served in your agency under another appointment under this authority within the past year (See Note 5)	A08	Employment under this and previous appointment must not exceed (number) hours a year.	
19	Appointment is made under Schedule A, Sec. 213.3102(e)		A22	This appointment cannot be renewed. Upon admission to the Bar, you will be eligible for appointment as attorney in accordance with (agency) appointment procedures.	
20	Employee is subject to the SL or ST pay system	Rate of basic pay is equal to or above the limit that subjects an employee to coverage by post-employment restrictions under 18 U.S.C. 207(c) (i.e., 86.5% of the rate for level II of the Executive Schedule)	M97	Employee subject to post-employment restrictions under 18 U.S.C. 207(c)	
21	Appointment is made under the Pathways Programs as a Recent Graduate or Fellow under Sch D, 213.3402(b) or (c) (See Note 6)		A37	Appointment cannot exceed 2 years plus any agency approved extension of no more than 120 days. Upon satisfactory completion of the program, you may be noncompetitively converted to a permanent appointment. If your performance is not satisfactory or if you fail to satisfactorily complete this program employment will be terminated.	

Table 11-C. Remarks to Be Shown on SF-50, Continued

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Rule	If	And	Then Remark Code Is	And Remark Is	Notes
22	Appointment is made under the Pathways Programs under Sch D, 213.3402 as an Intern, Recent Graduate, or Presidential Management Fellow (See Note 6)	The employee is currently employed under a nontemporary appointment in the competitive service	A38	Employee informed in advance of the conditions of appointment under the Pathways Programs	6. Employees are placed in Tenure Group II. 12. Employees are placed in Tenure Group 0.
23	Appointment is made under the Pathways Programs as an Intern under Sch D, 213.3402(a) (See Note 6)		A39	This appointment is intended to continue through completion of education and work requirements. An agency may noncompetitively appoint you to a term, career or career-conditional appointment in the competitive service within *** >180< days after satisfactory completion of your educational program and satisfactory completion of at least *** >480< hours of career-related work experience. The work experience must have been completed prior to or concurrently with the completion of the requirements of your educational program.	
24	Appointment is made under the Internship Program on a NTE basis (Sch D, 213.3402(a) and Reg. 362.203(d)(ii)) (See Note 12)	Appointment does not confer eligibility to be noncompetitively converted to Term, career, or career-cond. appointment	A32	This appointment does not confer eligibility to be noncompetitively converted to a term, career or career-conditional appointment in the competitive service.	
25		Appointment may confer eligibility to be noncompetitively converted to a term, career, or career-conditional appointment	A35	This appointment may confer eligibility to be noncompetitively converted to a term, career or career-conditional appointment in the competitive service.	
26	Employee is eligible for Sole Survivorship veterans' preference	Block 23 of the SF-50 reflects "7"	E59	When "7" is reflected in block 23 employee is entitled to: No Points/Sole Survivorship Preference	
27	Appointment is made under the Veterans Recruitment Appointment (VRA) per 5 CFR 307 (See Note 6)	Appointment is to a competitive service agency and not to an excepted service agency or organization	A03	This appointment is intended to continue for 2 years. Upon satisfactory completion of 2-year trial period, you will be noncompetitively converted to career-conditional or career appointment. If performance is not satisfactory or you fail to satisfactorily complete program, employment will be terminated.	

Table 11-C. Remarks to Be Shown on SF-50, Continued

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Rule	If	And	Then Remark Code Is	And Remark Is	Notes
28	Employee is already on your agency's rolls	Will serve on two (or more) appointments at the same time	M36	Concurrent employment: (identify position or agency unit where concurrently employed)	7. Send copy of appointment SF-50 to employee's servicing personnel office in the other agency (reference 5 U.S.C. 5533).
29	Action is a conversion to another appointment of an employee who is being retained on the agency's rolls under a temporary exception to RIF release	The retention has been documented with a 755/Exception to RIF Release action	K60	Action is in lieu of RIF separation of employee retained under temporary exception.	
30	Employee is on the rolls of another agency on a part-time or intermittent appointment (See Note 7)	Will continue in that status after appointment in your agency	M34	On part-time or (intermittent) appointment in (agency).	
31	Employee is on the rolls of another agency in a nonpay status (See Note 7)		M33	On nonpay status in (agency).	
32	Employee is moving between executive agencies	Has reemployment rights in former agency or office	M02	You have reemployment rights for two years in (former agency) granted under Req. 352.204 and OPM letter of (date).	
33	Employee is a Special Government Employee as defined in 18 USC 202		E21	You are subject to regulations governing conduct and responsibilities of Special Government Employees.	
34	Employee is converted from an SES appointment	Action is because of employee's less than fully successful performance in the SES or employee's failure to be recertified in the SES	M58	No SES reinstatement rights.	
35	Employee declined conversion to an SES appointment	Position to which employee is being assigned is an SES position	M52	Employee declined conversion to the Senior Executive Service and continues under (enter type of appointment) with all associated rights and benefits.	
36	Employee receives Presidential appointment that requires Senate confirmation	Appointment follows an SES Career Appt without a break in service and the employee elects to continue SES pay and/or benefits	E54	Employee elects to continue appropriate SES provisions under 5 U.S.C. 3392	

Table 11-C. Remarks to Be Shown on SF-50, Continued

Use as many remarks as applicable.

Rule	If	And	Then Remark Code Is	And Remark Is	Notes
37	Employee was a career appointee in the SES who voluntarily requested a change to a position in the excepted service		M20	Action at employee's request.	Reserved
38	Appointment is at salary rate above minimum rate of the grade		P04	Pay set using the superior qualifications and special needs pay-setting authority under 5 CFR 531.212 .	
39	Employee is appointed to or converted to a position for which special higher-than-usual pay rate has been established under 5 U.S.C. 5305 to recruit and retain qualified employees		P05	Special rate under 5 U.S.C. 5305 .	
40	Employee is appointed to or converted to a supervisory GS position in which he or she supervises higher paid employees under another pay system	Employee receives a supervisory differential	P72	Salary in block 20 includes supervisory differential of \$_____.	
41	Employee's salary will be based on their highest previous rate of pay	Salary for current action is based on that higher rate	P01	Previously employed at (pay plan; grade, level, or band; rate).	
42		Agency cannot verify salary before action is effective	P03	Pay rate shown is subject to upward retroactive adjustment upon verification of prior service.	
43	Rate increase (other than a WGI) is due on effective date of action	A separate SF-50 is not being processed for the rate increase	P02	Pay rate fixed to include rate increase due on same date.	
44	Employee is returning after service with the American Institute in Taiwan an international organization, military service, or absence due to compensable injury	Rate of pay includes increases he or she earned while absent	P06	Pay rate includes rate changes (e.g., within-grade increases) to which employee would have been entitled had he or she remained continuously in Federal service.	
45		Employee was promoted or reassigned while absent	K38	Promoted (or reassigned) from (former position and grade, level, or band), effective (date).	

Table 11-C. Remarks to Be Shown on SF-50, Continued

Use as many remarks as applicable.

Rule	If	And	Then Remark Code Is	And Remark Is	Notes	
46	Employee is entitled to grade retention under 5 U.S.C. 5362		X37	Employee is entitled to retain grade of (pay plan and grade) through (date).	8. Use this remark in addition to those required under Rules 45-48.	
47			X61	Retained grade will not be used for purposes of reduction-in- force.		
48			X45	Retained grade will be used to determine employee's pay, retirement and insurance benefits, and promotion and training eligibility.		
49			Retained grade is equivalent to grade actually held by the employee prior to the reduction which entitled employee to grade retention	X35 (See Note 8)		The retained pay plan and grade (pay plan and grade) is equivalent to (pay plan and grade), the position from which reduced.
50			Employee will be entitled another period of grade retention when the current period has ended	X38 (See Note 8)		On (date) employee will be entitled to retain grade of (pay plan and grade) through (date) provided the preceding period of grade retention is not terminated earlier.
51	Employee was entitled to grade retention under 5 U.S.C. 5362 on previous position	Employee has accepted a change to a lower grade position for personal cause	X36	Grade retention entitlement terminated. No further entitlement to grade or pay retention.		
52	Employee was entitled to grade retention under 5 U.S.C. 5362 on previous position	Employee has accepted a change to a lower grade position for personal cause	X49	Change to lower grade, level, or band is for personal cause.		
53	Employee who is moved out of SES is entitled to a retained rate of pay higher than the pay of the position in which he or she is placed		X40	Employee is entitled to pay retention.		
54	Employee is entitled to pay retention under 5 U.S.C. 5363					
55	Employee's salary is 150% of the maximum rate of the grade to which assigned				X41	Salary is 150% of maximum rate of grade, level, or band to which assigned.

Table 11-C. Remarks to Be Shown on SF-50, Continued

Use as many remarks as applicable.

Rule	If	And	Then Remark Code Is	And Remark Is	Notes
56	Employee was entitled to pay retention under 5 U.S.C. 5363 on previous position	Employee has accepted a change to a lower grade position for personal cause	X49	Change to lower grade, level, or band is for personal cause.	Reserved
57			X42	Pay retention entitlement is terminated.	
58	Employee has been receiving severance pay or is eligible to begin receiving severance pay from another agency.	Is given a temporary appointment.	N24	Severance pay suspended by (agency paying the full severance pay) until termination of this appointment.	
59			Appointment is not described in Rule 58	N25	
60	Employee is a senior political appointee whose position is subject to the pay freeze for certain senior political officials		P83	*** >The employee occupies a position subject to the pay freeze for certain senior political officials. Notwithstanding otherwise applicable pay statutes and regulations, pay may be set and adjusted only in accordance with applicable provisions of the pay freeze statute.<	
61			P81	Salary in block 20 includes AUO of \$_____.	
62					
63			P99	Salary in block 20 includes availability pay of \$_____.	
64	Employee who is reemployed under FICA, CSRS, or CSRS-Offset, is eligible to elect FERS as provided in Chapter 11 of The CSRS and FERS Handbook	Employee has been given SF-3109 , FERS Election of Coverage, and receipt copy has been filed in employee's OPF	B60	Eligible to elect coverage under the Federal Employees Retirement System (FERS) within 6 months of the effective date of this personnel action. SF-3109 provided to employee.	
65	Employee's retirement code will be C, E, K, L, M, or N		M38	Frozen Service: (enter yrs and mos, e.g., "20 yrs, 5 mos")	
66	Employee's retirement code will be K, L, M, or N	Employee previously elected coverage under FERS	M46	Employee is covered by FERS because of previous election.	
67	Employee's retirement code will be K, KF, KR, L, LF, LR, M, MF, MR, N, NF, NR, or OF	Rule 66 does not apply	M45	Employee is automatically covered under FERS, FERS-RAE or FERS-FRAE.	
68	Employee has elected to retain coverage under a retirement system for NAF employees		B63	Elected to retain coverage under a retirement system for NAF employees.	

Table 11-C. Remarks to Be Shown on SF-50, Continued

Use as many remarks as applicable.

Rule	If	And	Then Remark Code Is	And Remark Is	Notes
69	Employee is eligible for life insurance coverage	Is working on a part-time schedule	B51	Basic Life insurance coverage and Additional Optional coverage (if elected) are based on the rate of annual salary payable to you as a part-time employee, not the full-time salary rate shown in block 20 of the SF-50. However, Basic Life insurance coverage is always at least \$10,000.	Reserved
70	Employee is eligible for health benefits coverage	Is working on a part-time schedule of 16-32 hours per week covered by the Federal Employees Part-Time Career Employment Act of 1978	B43	Government share of premium for health benefits coverage will be reduced because you are working part-time. You will have to pay the employee share of the premium plus the difference between what the Government pays for your enrollment and the amount the Government pays for a full-time employee.	
71	Employee elected health benefits coverage on last appointment	That coverage will continue	B44	Health benefits coverage continues.	
72	Employee moves from the jurisdiction of one payroll office to the jurisdiction of another (whether in same agency or in another agency)	Elected not to enroll health benefits plan while in previous agency or office	B02	Elected not to enroll for health benefits.	
73		Canceled enrollment while in previous agency or office	B01	Canceled health benefits.	
74	Employment is on a short-term basis (i.e., employee is expected to work less than 6 months in each year) or is working on an intermittent basis		B03	Ineligible for health benefits.	
75	Action is appointment NTE or conversion to appointment NTE (NOA 171 or 571)	Is not described in Rule 74, use of remark code T11 is not applicable, and employee has not already made a health benefits enrollment decision	B52	Ineligible for health benefits until you complete 1 year of current continuous employment. Then you may elect health benefits for which you will be charged the full premium.	
76	Conversion is from intermittent employment without compensation (WC)		G29	Intermittent employment totaled (number) hours in work status from (date) to (date).	

Table 11-C. Remarks to Be Shown on SF-50, Continued

Use as many remarks as applicable.

Rule	If	And	Then Remark Code Is	And Remark Is	Notes
77	Conversion is from intermittent employment with pay		G30	Intermittent employment totaled (number) hours in pay status from (date) to (date).	<p>10. When the employee submits the notice of annuity adjustment, follow your agency's procedures to forward it to the payroll office.</p> <p>11. To determine the annual (pa) rate, multiply by 12 the gross monthly annuity shown on the notice of annuity adjustment from OPM.</p>
78	Reserved	***	***	***	
79	Employee is not eligible to earn annual or sick leave		B04	Ineligible for leave.	
80	Office that provides personnel service (including OPF maintenance) is not at the same location or is not part of the same organization as the one to which the employee is assigned (e.g., employee is located in Europe and OPF is maintained in Washington, DC, or employee works for agency A and receives personnel service from agency B).		M10	OPF maintained by (name and address of office).	
81	Will be reemployed annuitant		A17	As a reemployed annuitant, you serve at the will of the appointing officer.	
82	Will be reemployed annuitant	Salary will be reduced by the amount of the annuity because neither the Office of Personnel Management nor the agency has approved a waiver under 5 CFR, part 553	P08	Annual salary to be reduced by the amount of your retirement annuity and by further cost of living increases.	
83			P90	You are required to submit to the personnel office a copy of any subsequent notice from OPM of any change in your gross annuity rate. (See Note 10)	
84			P10	Annuity at present is \$ pa. (See Note 11)	
85	Reserved	***	***	***	
86	Appointment is for a temporary, seasonal, or intermittent employee	Employee is expected to work a schedule of less than 130 hours in a calendar month or is expected to work at least 130 hours in a calendar month for less than 90 days	B07	Ineligible for health benefits if you are a temporary, seasonal, or intermittent employee who is expected to work a schedule of less than 130 hours in a calendar month or you are expected to work at least 130 hours in a calendar month but for less than 90 days.	

Table 11-C. Remarks to Be Shown on SF-50, Continued

Use as many remarks as applicable.

Rule	If	And	Then Remark Code Is	And Remark Is	Notes
87	Employee receiving credit for non-Federal service under Section 6303(e) of title 5, United States Code , that otherwise would not be creditable		B73	You are receiving (enter yrs. and mos., e.g., 2 yrs., 6 mos.) credit towards your SCD-Leave shown in Block 31 for the following period(s) of non-Federal service: (list all applicable "from" and "to" dates). This time is permanently creditable unless you fail to complete 1 full year of continuous service with this agency.	Reserved
88	Employee receiving credit for active-duty uniformed service under Section 6303(e) of title 5, United States Code , that otherwise would not be creditable		B74	You are receiving (enter yrs. and mos., e.g., 2 yrs., 6 mos.) credit towards your SCD-Leave shown in Block 31 for the following period(s) of active-duty military service: (list all applicable "from" and "to" dates). This time is permanently creditable unless you fail to complete 1 full year of continuous service with this agency.	

Figures

Figure 11-1. Legal Authority Codes Used for Schedule A, B, C, and D Appointments

<i>For Appointments under</i>		<i>Use Legal Authority Code</i> (See The Guide to Data Standards for Translations)
Sch A	213.3102(a)	WAM
Sch A	213.3102(c)	WCM
Sch A	213.3102(d)	WDM
Sch A	213.3102(e)	WEM
Sch A	213.3102(i)(1)	W9N
Sch A	213.3102(i)(2)	W9P
Sch A	213.3102(i)(3)	W9R
Sch A	213.3102(j)	WJM
Sch A	213.3102(k)	WKM
Sch A	213.3102(l)	WLM
Sch A	213.3102(n)	WNM
Sch A	213.3102(o)	W6M
Sch A	213.3102(r)	W9S
Sch A	213.3102(s)	W9T
Sch A	213.3102(u) - Severe Physical Disabilities	WUM
Sch A	- Intellectual Disability	WTA
Sch A	- Psychiatric Disability	WTB
Sch A	213.3102(x)	WXM
Sch A	213.3102(z)	WZM
Sch A	213.3102(aa)	XAM
Sch A	213.3102(bb)	XBM
Sch A	213.3102(ff)	XFM
Sch A	213.3102(ll)	XXM

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Sch A	213.31xx – Agency-unique Sch A authority	>XZM<
Sch B	213.3202(j)	YJM
Sch B	213.3202(m)	YMM
Sch B	213.3202(n) ¹	YKB
Sch B	213.32xx. Agency-unique Sch B authority	Y5M
Sch C	213.33xx. Agency-unique Sch C authority	Y7M
Sch C	213.3302(a) Temp. transitional Sch C	Y9K
Sch C	Authority other than Sch C, 213.33xx, (i.e., law or E.O. that establishes a Sch C position)	Y8M
Sch D	213.3402(a) Intern Program	YEA
Sch D	213.3402(b) Recent Graduates Program	YEB
Sch D	213.3402(c) Presidential Management Fellows Program	YEC

¹ Effective November 30, 1999, agencies may no longer make new appointments under this authority; however, prior appointees under this authority may be promoted, demoted, or reassigned within the appointing agency while remaining under this appointing authority as long as there is no break in service.