



FACT SHEET

Technical Certification and Promotion Points

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In a continuing effort to improve the enlisted promotion system, the Army G1 has approved the initiative to award promotion points for technical certifications to soldiers competing for promotion to Sergeant and Staff Sergeant.



Look for this icon on the COOL web site to see which certifications related to a particular MOS have been approved for promotion points. See <https://www.cool.army.mil/>

How Promotion Points are Awarded

- Ten promotion points for each awarded technical certification
- A maximum of 50 promotion points are authorized for technical certifications
- No additional promotion points are authorized for recertification
- Promotion points will be awarded under civilian education on the DA Form 3355

Certification Requirements

- The certification must be listed on the approved TRADOC matrix which can be accessed at <https://www.perscomonline.army.mil/select/TechCert.htm>.
- Soldiers interested in a certification that is not included on the TRADOC matrix should contact their personnel proponent SGM.
- The certification must be current as required by the certifying authority.
- The original certification documents must be presented to the promotion work center prior to the awarding of promotion points.

Promotion Links

SGT/SSG Trend Report – <https://www.perscomonline.army.mil/EPptrend/ptrend.htm>

SGT/SSG Promotion System – <https://www.perscomonline.army.mil/select/JrEnSys.htm>

SGT/SSG Cutoff Score Memorandum – <https://www.perscomonline.army.mil/select/Enlisted.htm>

Information Papers – <https://www.perscomonline.army.mil/select/Enlisted.htm>

Army Times Promotion Points Article – <https://www.cool.army.mil/pubs/armyTimesPromotionPoints.htm>