

A new tool used to predict an applicant's AFQT score

#### **Benefits**

- Shorter than the CAT-ASVAB, iCAT and PiCAT
- Includes 20 questions: 4 arithmetic reasoning, 8 word knowledge, 3 paragraph comprehension and 5 mathematics knowledge
- Can be taken multiple times
- No time limits (ASVAB and CAT-ASVAB have time limits)
- APT does not affect an applicant's ability to take PiCAT or the ASVAB
- High performance on the APT leads to a better chance of qualifying for entry into the military or for select jobs in the military

#### For Recruiters

- APT registration is the same as PiCAT registration under the APT Tab
- All recruiters and Site Security Managers (SSMs) with access to the PiCAT will automatically have access to the APT
- Register applicants and access their scores in the "Authorization and Reporting" application
- To gain access to the "Authorization and Reporting" application, contact and request instructions from the local SSM in your chain of command
- Recruiters will provide applicants with an access code and instructions on how to take the APT
- The APT is intended as a prescreen tool to the PiCAT and Vtest
- Scores are available as soon as an applicant completes the APT

## **APT For Applicants**

- To obtain an access code that is good for 30 days: contact a military recruiter
- Upon using the access code, you have 48 hours to complete the APT
- You can obtain an access code more than one time
- Take the APT anywhere you can access a high-speed connection to the Internet - e.g., at home, in the library, or in a recruiter's office
- Do not take the APT on a mobile device like a smart phone or tablet
- For best performance, plan to take the APT - uninterrupted - during a period of 20-30 minutes
- Refrain from looking up answers or obtaining answers from others - a valid APT score will better predict how you will perform on the AFQT
- Use Internet Explorer or Chrome browsers to take the APT at https://icat.dmdc.mil/icat/apt
- To obtain your APT score: contact the recruiter who registered you for the test

For more information please contact local Military Entrance **Processing Station** 



## **United States Military Entrance Processing Command**

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An ASVAB alternative tool for Recruiters



Pending Internet Computerized Adaptive Test

An applicant aptitude ASVAB test taken prior to the applicant going to MEPS or a MET site to take the Verification Test

stands for

An unproctored, full version of the ASVAB

- Requires only a 25-30 minute proctored verification test to confirm the applicant's PiCAT results and validate the test scores for use as the official ASVAB score of record
- Verification tests do not provide a score – they only validate or invalidate the PiCAT score

#### CAT IVB

- When PiCAT scores are not verified, applicants will take a full-length ASVAB, and the resulting ASVAB score will be the score of record
- The PiCAT is an alternative to the current ASVAB testing procedures – saving recruiters' time, and speeding up the enlistment process
- The Vtest can be taken at a MET Site or MEPS

# **How It Works**

The **PiCAT** requires the use of two web applications

- Military recruiters use an "Authorization and Reporting" application to register applicants and look up their scores
- Applicants use a second application to take the PiCAT on any computer using Internet Explorer or the Chrome Browser

#### **Recruiters**

- Contact your local Site Security Manager (SSM) in your chain of command – to request instructions and gain access to the "Authorization and Reporting" application
- When a recruiter has access, he or she can register applicants to take the PiCAT
- The registration process provides an access code that the recruiter gives to the applicant



## Applicants

- Recruiters can provide an applicant with instructions and an access code that is valid for 30 days
- When an applicant logs in with their name and access code, he or she has 48 hours to complete the PiCAT
- Upon completing the PiCAT, the applicant has 30 days to take the Vtest

## Scores

CAT IIIA CAT IIIB

CAT IVA

CAT IVE

CAT IVC

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Recruiters can access their applicant's score in the "Authorization and Reporting" application as soon as an applicant completes the PiCAT