



**AME CAREER PATH  
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The Aviation Structural Mechanic – (Safety Equipment) (AME) maintains and repairs utility systems throughout the aircraft. They work on systems such as air conditioning, heating, pressurization and oxygen, plus multiple safety devices.					
<b>YEARS OF SERVICE</b>	<b>CAREER MILESTONES</b>	<b>AVERAGE TIME TO PROMOTE</b>	<b>COMMISSIONING OR OTHER SPECIAL PROGRAMS</b>	<b>SEA/SHORE FLOW</b>	<b>TYPICAL CAREER PATH DEVELOPMENT</b>
26-30	AFCM	23.3 Yrs	CMC	36	Follow on Shore Tours
23-26	AFCM AMCS	23.3 Yrs 19.6	CMC, CMD SCPO, CWO	36	4 <sup>th</sup> Sea Tour Billet: Prod/Maint LCPO/CMC/ Dept LCPO. Duty: RDC/Detailer/Recruiter/ Squadron/AIMD/Staff. Qualification: SEA.
20-23	AFCM AMCS AMEC	23.3 Yrs 19.6 14.7	CWO, CMC, CMD SCPO, Brig Duty	36	3 <sup>rd</sup> Shore Tour Billet: Staff LCPO/Prod LCPO/SEA/CSC. Duty: TYCOM/AIMD/NAR. Qualification: SEA.
16-20	AMCS AMEC AME1	19.6 Yrs 14.7 9.9	MECP, OCS, LDO, CWO, CMD SCPO, RDC, Equal Opportunity Advisor, Drug and Alcohol Counselor, Brig Duty,	36	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sea Tour Billet: Maint LCPO/Dept LCPO/QA. Duty: RDC/Detailer/Recruiter/Squadron/ Wing Staff.
12-16	AMCS AMEC AME1	19.5 Yrs 14.7 9.9		36	2 <sup>nd</sup> Shore Tour Billet: Instructor/Recruit Company CDR/Staff/ Div/Prod/Maint CPO/ Command Chief. Duty: RDC/Detailer/ Fleet Replacement Squadron/AIMD/NAR.
8-12	AMEC AME1 AME2	14.7 Yrs 9.9 4.5		54	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sea Tour Billet: Maint Tech/WC Sup/QA/LPO. Duty: Squadron. Qualification: EAWS/LPO
4-8	AME1 AME2 AME3	9.9 Yrs 4.5 2.7	MECP, STA-21, Naval Academy, NROTC, LDO, RDC, Recruiter, Drug and Alcohol Intern, USS CONSTITUTION, Brig Duty	36	1 <sup>st</sup> Shore Tour Billet: Maint Tech/WC Sup/Instructor/QA. Duty: NAS/AIMD/NAR.
1-4	AME2 AME3	4.5 Yrs 2.7		52	1 <sup>st</sup> Sea Tour Billet: Maint Tech/Plane Captain/ CDI/Maint Turn Qual. Duty: Squadron/AIMD. Qualification: EAWS.
1+/-	AMEAN AMEAA Accession Training	9 Months			Recruit Training (8 weeks)/ 'A' School (9 weeks)/'C' School for aircraft platform or AIMD billet.