

AFSC 11H4\*, Staff  
 AFSC 11H3\*, Aircraft Commander  
 AFSC 11H2\*, Qualified Pilot/Copilot  
 AFSC 11H1\*, Entry/Student

### RESCUE PILOT (Changed 30 Apr 23)

**1. Specialty Summary.** Pilots rescue aircraft and commands crews to accomplish combat, training, and other missions. Related DoD Occupational Group: 220300.

**2. Duties and Responsibilities:**

- 2.1. Plans and prepares for mission. Reviews mission tasking, intelligence, and weather information. Supervises mission planning, preparation and filing of flight plan, and crew briefing. Ensures aircraft is preflighted, inspected, loaded, equipped, and manned for mission.
- 2.2. Pilots aircraft and commands crew. Operates aircraft controls and equipment. Performs, supervises, or directs navigation, in-flight refueling, rescue operations and cargo and passenger delivery.
- 2.3. Conducts or supervises training of crewmembers. Ensures operational readiness of crew by conducting or supervising mission specific training.
- 2.4. Develops plans and policies, monitors operations, and advises commanders. Assists commanders and performs staff functions related to this specialty.

**3. Specialty Qualifications:**

- 3.1. Knowledge. Knowledge is mandatory of theory of flight, air navigation, meteorology, flying directives, aircraft operating procedures, and mission tactics.
- 3.2. Education. For entry into this specialty, an undergraduate degree specializing in physical sciences, mathematics, administration, or management is desirable.
- 3.3. Training. The following training is mandatory as indicated:
  - 3.3.1. For entry into this specialty, completion of Air Force Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training (SUPT).
  - 3.3.2. For award of AFSC 11H2X, completion of transition and operational training in the suffix designated aircraft.
- 3.4. Experience. For upgrade to AFSCs 11H2X/3X, unit commander determines proficiency based on performance, experience, and completion of minimum training requirements.
- 3.5. Other. The following are mandatory as indicated:
  - 3.5.1. For award and retention of this AFSC, current aeronautical rating and qualification for aviation service as pilot.
  - 3.5.2. For award of AFSC 11H3X, certification of aircraft commander qualification by appropriate operations authority.

**4. \*Specialty Shredouts:**

<i>Suffix</i>	<i>Portion of AFS to Which Related</i>
C	UH-1N
E	HH-60
F	CSAR-X
G	MH-139
J	HC-130J
P	HC-130 P/N
W	Combat Search and Rescue, General
Y	General
Z	Other