§ 700.301 Responsibilities of the Secretary of the Navy.

The Secretary of the Navy is responsible to the Secretary of Defense for:

(b) The functioning and efficiency of the Department of the Navy;
(c) The formulation of policies and programs by the Department of the Navy that are fully consistent with national security objectives and policies established by the President or the Secretary of Defense;
(d) Carrying out the functions of the Department of the Navy so as to fulfill (to the maximum extent practicable) the current and future operational requirement of the unified and specified combatant commands;
(e) Effective cooperation and coordination between the Department of the Navy and the other military departments and agencies of the Department of Defense to provide for more effective, efficient and economical administration and eliminate duplication;
(f) The presentation and justification of the position of the Department of the Navy on the plans, programs and policies of the Department of Defense;
(g) The effective supervision and control of the intelligence activities of the Department of the Navy; and
(h) Such other activities as may be prescribed by law or by the President or Secretary of Defense.

§ 700.302 Responsibilities within the Department of the Navy.

The Secretary is the head of the Department of the Navy. The Secretary is responsible for, and has the authority necessary to conduct, all affairs of the Department of the Navy, including the following functions:

(a) Recruiting;
(b) Organizing;
(c) Supplying;
(d) Equipping (including research and development);
(e) Training;
(f) Servicing;
(g) Mobilizing;
(h) Demobilizing;
(i) Administering (including the morale and welfare of personnel);
(j) Maintaining;
(k) The construction, outfitting and repair of military equipment; and
(l) The construction, maintenance and repair of buildings, and interests in real property necessary to carry out the responsibilities specified in this article.

§ 700.303 Succession.

If the Secretary of the Navy dies, resigns, is removed from office, is absent or is disabled, the person who is highest on the following list, and who is not absent or disabled, shall perform the duties of the Secretary until the President directs another person to perform those duties or until the absence or disability ceases:

(a) The Under Secretary of the Navy;
(b) The Assistant Secretaries of the Navy, in the order prescribed by the Secretary of the Navy and approved by the Secretary of Defense;
(c) The Chief of Naval Operations;