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Subject: OPM Drops Proposal to Abolish Time-In-Grade Requirements

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Because the issue came up a few months back that at the very end of the Bush Administration OPM had proposed rules to abolish the time-in-grade requirements for promotions. The Obama Administration put those rule changes on hold to enable them to gather more comments on the proposed rule change.

OPM decided yesterday to axe the proposed rule change. So the same time-in-grade requirements that have been place since 1949 remain.

Under the GS pay system you normally have to spend one-year in grade (unless otherwise authorized) before you are eligible for promotion to the next higher grade. Other additional requirements for promotion may also apply (i.e., completing qualifications for the final career ladder promotion, applying and competing against other qualified candidates, etc.,).

V/R,
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