

Arnold Air Society Detachment 380 (Det 380) Practice Test (Sample)

Study Guide



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Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

Remember: successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:

1. Start with a Diagnostic Review

Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.

2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions

Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 - 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.

3. Learn from the Explanations

After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.

4. Track Your Progress

Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.

5. Simulate the Real Exam

Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.

6. Repeat and Review

Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.

There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!

Questions

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- 1. Which of the following is NOT a duty of the Financial Management Officer (FM)?**
 - A. Budget**
 - B. Collect dues**
 - C. Keep financial records**
 - D. Public relations**

- 2. The Executive Board's functions are restricted by which documents?**
 - A. The AAS Constitution and the National Conclave**
 - B. The NATCON charter**
 - C. The Dougherty Cup rules**
 - D. The Joint National Project guidelines**

- 3. What is the First Objective of AAS?**
 - A. To create a more efficient relationship among Air Force officer candidates, particularly within the AFROTC.**
 - B. To recruit more cadets into ROTC**
 - C. To publish a biannual journal**
 - D. To provide scholarships**

- 4. How often and where do the Executive Board of Directors meet?**
 - A. Twice per year, once in Washington, D.C., and again at NATCON**
 - B. Once per year in New York**
 - C. Quarterly online**
 - D. Monthly in Arlington**

- 5. Which statement is true about the National Awards?**
 - A. They are presented at NATCON**
 - B. They are presented at local squadrons only**
 - C. They are presented at regional conferences only**
 - D. They are not awarded**

- 6. Who are the non-voting members for the Executive Board of Directors?**
- A. Several Arnold Air Society and Silver Wings Headquarters officers and consultants**
 - B. AAS Region Commanders**
 - C. Regional presidents**
 - D. National Commander**
- 7. The Air and Space Forces Magazine covers information about which groups?**
- A. The Air Force and Space Force**
 - B. The Army**
 - C. The Navy**
 - D. The Marine Corps**
- 8. What is the Second Objective of AAS?**
- A. To aid in the development of effective Air Force officers**
 - B. To improve base security**
 - C. To fund aviation research**
 - D. To organize annual air shows**
- 9. What does blue represent in AAS?**
- A. The color of the sky in which we fly.**
 - B. The blood shed by Americans fighting for freedom.**
 - C. The wings with which we fly and warrior courage.**
 - D. The purity of our intent.**
- 10. In blues, which two items are worn together as part of the uniform?**
- A. AAS rank pin and fourragère.**
 - B. AAS ribbon and fourragère.**
 - C. Rank pin and ribbon.**
 - D. Ribbon and cap.**

Answers

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1. D
2. A
3. A
4. A
5. A
6. A
7. A
8. A
9. A
10. A

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Explanations

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1. Which of the following is NOT a duty of the Financial Management Officer (FM)?

- A. Budget**
- B. Collect dues**
- C. Keep financial records**
- D. Public relations**

Public relations is not a duty of the Financial Management Officer. The FM handles money matters: creating and overseeing the budget, collecting dues, and keeping financial records to ensure funds are managed responsibly and reported transparently. Public relations, instead, focuses on the organization's image, outreach, and communications with members and the public, which belongs to a PR/Communications role. So while the FM may provide financial information for outreach, the primary duties listed—budgeting, dues collection, and keeping financial records—are financial tasks, not PR duties.

2. The Executive Board's functions are restricted by which documents?

- A. The AAS Constitution and the National Conclave**
- B. The NATCON charter**
- C. The Dougherty Cup rules**
- D. The Joint National Project guidelines**

Executive Board actions are limited by the organization's governing documents. The AAS Constitution lays out the structure, powers, and procedures for governance, defining what the EB can and cannot do. The National Conclave is the supreme governing body that can amend the Constitution and its by-laws, further shaping and restricting the EB's authority. Other documents—such as the NATCON charter, Dougherty Cup rules, or Joint National Project guidelines—relate to specific events or programs, not the EB's overall governance. So the combination of the AAS Constitution and the National Conclave best constrains the Executive Board's functions.

3. What is the First Objective of AAS?

- A. To create a more efficient relationship among Air Force officer candidates, particularly within the AFROTC.**
- B. To recruit more cadets into ROTC**
- C. To publish a biannual journal**
- D. To provide scholarships**

The key idea here is that Arnold Air Society is about building a strong, functioning network among Air Force officer candidates. The first objective focuses on creating a more efficient relationship among those candidates, especially within AFROTC. That means improving communication, coordination, and mutual support so cadets can learn from each other, develop leadership, and prepare together for officer roles. Other activities like recruiting more cadets, publishing a journal, or providing scholarships may occur, but they aren't the central purpose; the core aim is to foster a cohesive, professional community among Air Force officer candidates.

4. How often and where do the Executive Board of Directors meet?

- A. Twice per year, once in Washington, D.C., and again at NATCON**
- B. Once per year in New York**
- C. Quarterly online**
- D. Monthly in Arlington**

The question checks how the organization runs its national leadership meetings. The Executive Board of Directors meets twice a year to oversee governance and set policy. One meeting is held in Washington, D.C., which keeps the board connected to national-level resources and headquarters. The second meeting occurs during NATCON, the organization's annual national convention, where delegates from across regions gather and decisions can be aligned with the wider membership. This arrangement provides ongoing national oversight while ensuring coordination with the annual conference. Other options—monthly in Arlington, quarterly online, or a single annual meeting—don't fit how the board operates across the year and with NATCON.

5. Which statement is true about the National Awards?

- A. They are presented at NATCON**
- B. They are presented at local squadrons only**
- C. They are presented at regional conferences only**
- D. They are not awarded**

National Awards are presented at NATCON, the annual national convention of Arnold Air Society. This event is the designated venue where honors at the national level are conferred, bringing together squadrons from across the country to recognize exceptional contributions at the highest level of the organization. Local squadrons handle internal awards, and regional conferences handle regional honors; national recognition happens specifically during NATCON. Saying there are no national awards would misstate the established process.

6. Who are the non-voting members for the Executive Board of Directors?

- A. Several Arnold Air Society and Silver Wings Headquarters officers and consultants**
- B. AAS Region Commanders**
- C. Regional presidents**
- D. National Commander**

Non-voting members on the Executive Board are there to provide guidance, expertise, and continuity without having a vote. They usually come from Arnold Air Society and Silver Wings Headquarters and include officers and consultants who contribute policy insight, historical perspective, and specialized knowledge to board discussions. This setup lets the board benefit from HQ-level experience while preserving decision-making power for the voting members, who carry the accountability for the organization's directions. The remaining governance roles are typically involved in voting and leadership decisions, not in a non-voting advisory capacity.

7. The Air and Space Forces Magazine covers information about which groups?

- A. The Air Force and Space Force**
- B. The Army**
- C. The Navy**
- D. The Marine Corps**

The magazine focuses on the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Space Force. The title itself points to these two communities, and its content centers on news, policies, people, programs, and issues related to air and space power. It's published to serve readers interested in those two services, not the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps, which have their own dedicated publications. The Space Force's developments are included alongside air-power topics, reflecting its place within the broader air-and-space mission. So, information about the Air Force and Space Force is exactly what this magazine covers.

8. What is the Second Objective of AAS?

- A. To aid in the development of effective Air Force officers**
- B. To improve base security**
- C. To fund aviation research**
- D. To organize annual air shows**

The second objective is to aid in the development of effective Air Force officers. This mirrors the core purpose of Arnold Air Society as a professional cadet organization focused on shaping future leaders for the Air Force. In practice, that means activities and experiences that build leadership, professional character, discipline, and a strong understanding of Air Force ideals, so members are prepared to serve as officers. While base security, aviation research funding, or organizing air shows might come up in various contexts, they are not the formal objective guiding the organization's primary mission.

9. What does blue represent in AAS?

- A. The color of the sky in which we fly.**
- B. The blood shed by Americans fighting for freedom.**
- C. The wings with which we fly and warrior courage.**
- D. The purity of our intent.**

Blue in AAS symbolizes the sky—the realm we operate in as airmen and the aviation-centered service of the organization. It reflects the broad reach and elevated perspective of our mission, tying directly to the Air Force heritage and the space we pursue. The other ideas don't align with how the colors are used to represent our values and identity: blood shed isn't a positive emblem for the color, the notion of wings and warrior courage isn't the official color meaning, and purity of intent is typically linked to white, not blue.

10. In blues, which two items are worn together as part of the uniform?

- A. AAS rank pin and fourragère.**
- B. AAS ribbon and fourragère.**
- C. Rank pin and ribbon.**
- D. Ribbon and cap.**

In blues, you wear two insignia together to show membership and rank: the AAS rank pin and the fourragère. The fourragère is the distinctive shoulder cord that marks active Arnold Air Society membership, typically worn on the left shoulder. The rank pin is a small emblem that indicates your position within the organization, worn on the lapel near the heart. Together they communicate both who you belong to and what role you hold, which is why this pairing is the standard. The other items either belong to different parts of the uniform or aren't paired in this way for the blues look.

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Next Steps

Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.

As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.

If you need help, have suggestions, or want to share feedback, we'd love to hear from you. Reach out to our team at hello@examzify.com.

Or visit your dedicated course page for more study tools and resources:

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We wish you the very best on your exam journey. You've got this!

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