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**CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS  
TITLE 2. ADMINISTRATION  
DIVISION 1. ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL  
CHAPTER 1. STATE PERSONNEL BOARD  
SUBCHAPTER 1.3 CLASSIFICATIONS, EXAMINATIONS, AND APPOINTMENTS  
ARTICLE 9. PROMOTION**

§ 242. Promotions In Place.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (b), an employee with permanent civil service status in their current position, regardless of time base, may receive a promotion in place where all of the following apply:

(1) The employee has demonstrated satisfactory or higher job performance in his or her current position and shown the ability and willingness to succeed at the higher level classification.

(2) The position currently occupied by the employee is reallocated to the "to" class without a change of unit or location.

(3) The employee's "from" class has the same job functions as the "to" class but at a higher level and the appointing power documents how the promotion in place meets this criteria.

~~(3)~~ (4) The promotion in place is not from a rank-and-file classification to a supervisory or managerial classification.

~~(4)~~ (5) The promotion in place is not from a supervisory classification to a managerial classification.

~~(3)~~ ~~(5)~~ (6) The employee competed in and passed an examination for the “to” class and is currently placed on the employment list for that examination in one of the top three ranks or has reinstatement eligibility for the “to” class.

(i) When determining whether the employee is in one of the top three ranks, reemployment and the Department’s State Restriction of appointment (SROA) lists shall not be considered, since the promotion in place is an appointment to a classification to which the employee’s position has been reallocated, rather than an appointment to a vacant position.

(ii) If the employee to be promoted is not in one of the top three ranks, the appointing power may not try to clear ranks by sending employment inquiries to candidates ranked higher than the employee.

~~(4)~~ (7) The appointing power documents the reasons why the selected employee was chosen for the promotion in place. The documentation shall be maintained pursuant to section 26.

(b) If some, but not all, eligible employees in a unit are selected for a promotion in place, the appointing power shall ensure that those eligible employees not selected are informed ~~in person and in writing verbally in person and in writing~~ of the reasons for the decision and provided the opportunity to obtain the competencies necessary for a promotion in the future. ~~If an eligible employee not selected requests that the reasons for the decision be made in writing, then the department shall document the reasons in writing and provide them to the employee.~~ In addition to documenting the reasons for the decision, the appointing power shall document the date and time and any other relevant information regarding the meeting with the employee. This documentation shall be maintained pursuant to section 26. However, this documentation shall not be placed in the eligible employee’s official personnel file. For purposes of this section, an eligible employee is any person, within a unit, who satisfies the minimum qualifications to examine for the “to” class being considered for promotion in place and, when applicable, meets the criteria set forth in sections 233, 234, 235, and 237.

(c) If there is a true vacancy in the unit, the appointing power may promote in place the employee before filling the true vacancy, if the criteria set forth in subdivision (a) are satisfied. Filling the true vacancy may be subject to the provisions of the Department’s SROA program.

(d) Nothing in this section prohibits a promotion in place from a rank and file or supervisory classification to a higher level ~~specialist~~ classification utilized in a non-supervisory specialist capacity where all elements of subdivision (a) are met.

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regardless of whether the specialist classification is designated as **supervisory or managerial.**

(e) Law school graduates currently enrolled in the State Bar Provisional Licensure Program in accordance with California Supreme Court administrative orders 9.49 and/or 9.49.1, may promote in place without acquiring permanent or probationary status in their current position where all other elements of subdivision (a) are met.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 18502, 18660, 18701 and 18804, Government Code.  
Reference: Sections 18500, 18951 and 19050, Government Code.