



Special Security Instructions (SSI)

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343d Training Squadron
Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas
OPR: BDC

COMPLIANCE WITH THIS INSTRUCTION IS MANDATORY

Failure to observe prohibitions and mandatory provisions of this document may be a violation of Article 92, Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ). All students must comply with Department of the Air Force Instruction (DAFI) 36-2903, *Dress and Personal Appearance of United States Air Force and United States Space Force Personnel*. You are responsible for seeking clarification with a Military Training Leader (MTL) or Cadre of any standards.

This SSI applies to all Non-Prior Service (NPS) and Prior Service (PS) Basic Defender Course students assigned to the Security Forces Academy.

1. REPORTING STATEMENT: (NPS) Before speaking to a Non-Commissioned Officer (NCO), Senior Non-Commissioned Officer (SNCO), Commissioned Officer, or Department of the Air Force Civilian Cadre, NPS students will stand at attention, state the full rank and name of the person being addressed and use the following reporting statement: “(Rank + Last Name), Airman (Last Name) reports as ordered”. Airmen will remain at the position of attention unless directed otherwise. Once dismissed, Airmen will return to the position of attention and execute proper facing movement(s) to depart the area. NPS students do not give reporting statements to PS students. (PS) Although prior service students are not required to provide a reporting statement, they will address permanent party personnel in a professional manner (parade rest, using proper rank, etc.).

2. FLIGHT STRUCTURE: Teams will be divided into two flights, Alpha and Bravo. If the team does not exceed 52, the team will be one flight. Each flight will be broken into 12-member squads with a Cadre-designated Squad Leader. Each squad will be composed of 3 Fire Teams of approximately 4 students. The ranking PS student will serve the role as Flight Chief, unless otherwise directed by Cadre. All remaining PS students will fill the roles of Squad Leaders. If no PS students are available (or not enough), the team Cadre will determine who will fill those roles.

3. GENERAL POLICIES:

3.1. (PS): The academic day begins at first accountability. The academic day ends when released by Cadre. PS students will not be released until all NPS students have departed for the day or at the discretion of the team Cadre.

3.2. (PS & NPS): All appointments require Cadre (PS & NPS) and MTL (NPS only) notification and an appointment slip from either. Students will notify their Continuity Instructor (CI) or Instructor Supervisor (IS) of any prescription medication, profiles, or medical waivers, or of a prior heat casualty. Students with an identified sickle cell trait will notify Cadre and wear issued red dog tag visibly on left boot laces and left PT shoe. NOTE: The use of over-the-counter medication is not authorized unless prescribed by the Military

Treatment Facility or authorized by an MTL/Cadre and must remain in original packaging. Additionally, expired medication or medication outside of intended use will not be consumed by any student.

3.3. (PS & NPS): Students will march in formation during the duty day and will only utilize the approved marching routes as outlined in the 37 TRG Student Guide. Additionally, when training on Chapman Training Annex, students will not march or walk on the Special Warfare training pad. When marching, formations will be properly sized at all times. Do not cut through grass, dirt, drill pads, or parking lots. Students will not march at ease unless temperatures meet Black Flag conditions. Students will make every attempt to avoid walking in mud when training at Carter Hall.

3.4. (PS & NPS): Students will not possess or use any personal electronic devices (i.e. cell phones, smart watches, Fitbits, handheld electronic devices, headphones, earbuds, etc.) during the academic day. NOTE 1: Students may wear digital or analog watches.

3.5. (PS & NPS): Students will not possess or use any type of tobacco, nicotine, or tobacco alternative products (such as: cigarettes, vapes, smokeless tobacco, tobacco less nicotine pouches, coffee pouches, etc.) during the academic day.

3.6. (PS & NPS): Students will not wear any claw clips, cosmetics, makeup, artificial cosmetic additives (i.e. false eyelashes/extensions, etc.), perfume, cologne, or scented body sprays during the academic day. During combatives, all students must have nails trimmed to the maximum extent possible.

3.7. (PS & NPS): When in OCPs, the only authorized undershirt is the plain coyote brown t-shirt with no graphics, designs, or wording. Exception: Coyote brown squadron morale t-shirts may be worn on Fridays or other special events designated by the 343 TRS Commander.

3.8. (PS & NPS): While wearing the PTU, the PTU shirt will always be tucked in, whether on or off duty.

3.9. (PS & NPS): If wearing a mask, only black, white, or OCP pattern masks are authorized. Neck gators and ski masks are not authorized, except during training at Camp Bullis when authorized by Cadre.

3.10. (PS & NPS): Students will not wear contact lenses during the academic day. If required, students must wear government issued glasses or during the academic day. Civilian eyeglasses are not authorized during the academic day.

3.11. (PS & NPS): Students will not wear jewelry of any kind during the duty day (i.e., earrings, necklaces, rings, bracelets, etc.). Exception: Silicon wedding rings of a conservative color (black, silver, gold, tan) may be worn during training, however, they will all be removed at Camp Bullis during training lanes, combatives, searching, handcuffing, CATM, and rifle fighting. Air Force accommodations granted during the member's accessions process (pre-approved through Recruiting/MEPS and documented appropriately) will be considered.

3.12. (PS & NPS): Tactical caps or baseball style hats are not authorized. Students will only wear patrol caps while in OCPs. Watch caps, beanies, or skull caps will not be worn when the temperatures are above 50 degrees on or off duty while in uniform (PTU/OCP).

3.13. (PS & NPS): Sleeves will not be rolled up at any time during the training day. During Black Flag, students may remove their OCP tops if training in an area out of direct sunlight (i.e. under an overhang).

3.14. (NPS): Students are prohibited from returning to their dorm rooms during the duty day unless given permission from Cadre and MTL.

3.15. (NPS): Ropes will only be worn during indoor classroom objectives. They will be removed during outdoor objectives. Ropes may be placed around backpacks.

3.16. (PS & NPS): Regardless of location (not just training locations), "Standby" will be announced anytime

within 6 paces of a Cadre (Military and Civilian) or MTLs unless one is already present. All students will immediately stand at parade rest until given further instructions.

3.17.(PS & NPS): Regardless of location, the area will be called to "Attention" anytime an officer approaches within 6 paces by the first student identifying the officers presence. All students will stand at attention; the student who called the area to attention will render a hand salute. Regardless of a Cadre/MTL being present, do not call "Standby" if an officer is already present.

3.18.(PS & NPS): Students will have a wingman with them at all times during the training day.

4. STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

4.1.(PS & NPS): Must read, adhere to, and reference the 37 TRG Student Guide, 343 TRS Supplement.

4.2.(PS & NPS): Uphold Air Force Core Values: Integrity First, Service Before Self, and Excellence In All We Do.

4.3.(PS & NPS): Will not consume alcohol within 12 hours prior to the next duty day.

4.4.(PS): Monitor and control all team movements and enforce all standards that are listed in the SSI's during the training day. PS students will maintain professionalism at all times when interacting with NPS (i.e. no cussing, touching, disrespecting, degrading, bullying, hazing, off duty contact, allow to ride in POV, etc.).

4.5. (PS): Will mirror NPS uniform of the day.

4.6.(PS): The use of POVs is authorized for travel while training on Lackland and Chapman Training Annex. At no point will PS students go to their POVs once the duty day has started unless released for chow (Lackland training sites only) or with approval from Cadre. Students will park in the designated areas as directed by Cadre. If PS student does not have a POV, they are authorized to utilize student transportation or ride with fellow PS students.

4.7. (PS): When training is being conducted at JBSA Lackland, PS students have the option to utilize the DFAC (cash only) or any establishment on JBSA Lackland. PS students are not permitted to exit JBSA Lackland during the duty day.

4.8. (PS): When training is being conducted at Chapman Training Annex, PS students may eat at the DFAC (cash only), bring their own food, or visit the AAFES Shoppette. Students will not utilize their POV during the training day. EXCEPTION: While at CATM, the use of MREs is required.

4.9. (PS): When training at Camp Bullis, PS students will be required to eat MREs when directed and utilize the DFAC when at the detachment (cash only).

4.10.(PS): PS students may not utilize their POV for transportation to or from training at Camp Bullis. PS students must utilize provided Government transportation (buses). Any exceptions to this must be approved by no lower than the Camp Bullis Operations Superintendent or Operations Officer.

4.11.(PS & NPS): Students will not order food/have food delivered during the duty day to training sites or dormitories.

4.12.(PS & NPS): While eating at the DFAC, students will not loiter inside of the DFAC. Students will exit the DFAC immediately as soon as they have finished eating to allow other teams the opportunity to eat. After eating, students will stand in formation outside to prepare for their movement back to the training location. Additionally, rucksacks will remain outside with two gear guards. Gear will be lined up in flight formation. When utilizing gear guards, two forward gear guards will be the first in their team's line to get their food to go

and replace the two rear gear guards, allowing them to get food. The two rear gear guards stay with the team's gear until the forward gear guards replace them. NOTE: Backpacks are authorized inside of the DFAC but must be placed under the table/chair or hang on the back of the chair.

5. MANDATORY EQUIPMENT:

5.1. Students will carry the following at all times:

5.1.1. Common Access Card

5.1.2. State issued Driver's License

5.1.3. At least three (3) properly filled out AETC 341s (NPS ONLY)

5.1.4. Properly filled out transition/phase card (NPS ONLY)

5.1.5. Squadron information/we care card

5.1.6. Any applicable waivers/profiles (NOTE: it is the student's responsibility to keep the waiver/profile current and updated. Expired waivers/profiles will not be accepted).

5.1.7. Reflective belt will be placed around backpacks/rucksacks. NOTE: Reflective belts will not have any markings other than the student's last name written in black ink.

5.1.8. One (1) FULL 2qt canteen and two (2) FULL 1qt canteens with water only. Canteens and canteen slings/pouches will not be modified in any way (i.e., lanyards, drawings, stickers, etc.). Canteens will be hand-carried when UOD is service dress. BMT issued water bottles are not authorized. The primary water source is the 2qt canteen.

5.1.9. Poncho (ECWW)

5.1.10 Gloves

5.1.11. Issued eye protection

5.1.12. Note taking material (pen/pencil, notebook)

5.1.13. Student handouts (SSIs, study guide)

5.1.14. Two (2) sealed MREs

5.2. (PS & NPS): Students will place required gear in their black book bags or issued rucksacks (depending on which bag is needed for the DOT). Book bags, rucksacks, or any issued gear will not have any patches, chains, jewelry, lanyards, carabiners, 550 cord, etc. affixed. Students may place one approved Air Force Velcro OCP name tag & rank on the bag. Lettering and rank will be coyote brown only.

5.3. Students are encouraged to bring sanitation items, sunscreen, bug spray, scentless lotion, deodorant (not perfume or cologne), and a conservatively colored towel. Female students may bring feminine hygiene products and an additional pair of OCP pants.

5.4. Any other items not listed above are not authorized.

5.5. (PS & NPS): Students may have and consume one 32 oz. electrolyte drink (i.e. Gatorade, Powerade, Pedialyte) during outdoor objectives only. Healthy snacks are authorized (fruits/vegetables, trail mix, protein bars). Students will not have electrolyte drinks or snacks in their hands while in formation. Possessing or chewing gum is not authorized during duty day, including gum from MREs. NOTE 1: Electrolyte additives or

any other drink additives are not authorized. NOTE 2: Electrolytes and snacks are not authorized inside of Carter Hall.

5.6. (PS & NPS): Students will drink one-half to three-fourths of a canteen of water per hour when engaged in normal training activities. Students should never drink more than 12 canteens in any 24-hour period, or more than two canteens of fluids in a one-hour period.

5.7. (PS & NPS): Students will not consume soda carbonated beverages, or energy drinks during the academic day.

6. CLASSROOM/TRAINING AREAS:

6.1. Carter Hall

6.1.1. (PS & NPS): Students will walk on the right side of the hallways in a single file line. Students will not loiter in the hallways or latrines and will not talk in the hallways. Students will not lean on walls.

6.1.2. (PS & NPS): Students will not line up or wait in the hallways in Carter Hall unless reporting to the TOC. Students will enter from outside and head directly into the classroom.

6.1.3. (PS & NPS): Students will utilize handrails when ascending and descending the stairwells.

6.1.4. (PS & NPS): Students are permitted to take breaks in-place in the classroom, in between lectures.

6.2. OUTSIDE TRAINING AREAS

6.2.1. (PS & NPS): Students will wear issued helmets, gloves, and issued eye-protection while riding in tactical vehicles.

6.2.2. (PS & NPS): While at outdoor training areas, students will wear all gear to include helmets, gloves, eye protection, elbow pads, and knee pads unless otherwise directed by Cadre.

6.2.3. (PS & NPS) Students will double time in the training areas except when on a waiver, arming/de-arming or otherwise instructed by Cadre.

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