

Appendix D

STANDING OPERATING PROCEDURES

The intent of this appendix is to provide an outline as an aid for developing a regimental or squadron tactical SOP.

I. GENERAL.

A. Purpose: This tactical SOP prescribes standard procedures for use during all combat situations and provides a comprehensive reference for conducting operations in a field environment.

B. Conformity: All assigned, attached and OPCON personnel will read and comply with the provisions of this tactical SOP.

II. COMMAND AND CONTROL.

A. Command.

1. Organization.
 - a. Succession of command.
 - b. Cues for assuming command.
 - c. Operation of the command post.
 - (1) Shifts.
 - (2) Displacement/set-up/tear-down.
2. Troop-leading procedures.
 - a. Estimate input (checklist).
 - b. Precombat inspections.
 - c. Backbriefs.
 - d. Rehearsals.
 - e. Combat orders.
 - (1) Formats.
 - (2) Preparation.
 - (3) Reproduction.
 - (4) Dissemination.
3. Coordination with adjacent units (checklist).
4. Liaison with main body elements (checklist).

B. Control.

1. Combat graphics and symbols.
2. Control measures designation (numbering system).
3. Terrain index reference system (TIRS).
4. Operational terms.
5. Vehicle identification marking system.
6. Unit recognition symbols.
7. Communication.
 - a. Net diagrams.
 - b. Fixed call signs.
 - c. Brevity codes/cue words.
 - d. Antijamming actions.
 - e. Alternate means.
8. Reports.
 - a. Battle.
 - b. Intelligence.
 - c. Logistical.

III. MANEUVER.

- A. Readiness condition (REDCON).
- B. Quartering party.
- C. Road marches.
- D. Assembly areas.
- E. Squadron organization for combat.
- F. Formations.
- G. Battle plays.
 1. Actions on contact.
 2. Fix and bypass.
 3. Close assault.
 4. In-stride breach.
 5. Bridges/defiles.

6. Formation changes.
7. Passage of lines.
8. Hasty defense.
9. Consolidate on the objective.
10. Ambush.
11. Other plays.

H. Reconnaissance operations.

1. Zone reconnaissance.
 - a. Graphics.
 - b. Critical tasks.
2. Area reconnaissance.
 - a. Graphics.
 - b. Critical tasks.
3. Route reconnaissance.
 - a. Graphics.
 - b. Critical tasks.
4. Reconnaissance in force.
 - a. Graphics.
 - b. Critical tasks.

I. Security operations.

1. Screen.
 - a. Graphics.
 - b. Critical tasks.
2. Guard.
 - a. Graphics.
 - b. Critical tasks.
3. Cover.
 - a. Graphics.
 - b. Critical tasks.
4. Area security.
 - Route security.
 - Convoy security.
 - a. Graphics.
 - b. Critical tasks.

- J. Offensive operations.
 - 1. Movement to contact.
 - 2. Hasty attack.
 - 3. Offensive graphics.
- K. Defensive operations (defensive graphics).
- L. Limited visibility operations.
- M. Break in action (checklist).
 - 1. Redistribution of ammunition, personnel, and equipment.
 - 2. Evacuation of casualties and enemy prisoners of war.
 - 3. Redistribution of ammunition under fire.
- N. Relief in place.
 - 1. Relief in place graphics.
 - 2. Critical tasks.
- O. Air-ground teams.
 - 1. Command relationship.
 - 2. Formations/techniques of movement.
- P. Aviation.
 - 1. Air support coordination.
 - 2. JAAT operations (checklist).
 - 3. A2C2 control measures.

IV. MOBILITY AND SURVIVABILITY.

- A. Mobility.
 - 1. Standard tasks.
 - 2. Standard priorities.
- B. Countermobility.
 - 1. Standard tasks.
 - 2. Standard priorities.

C. Survivability.

1. Standard tasks.
2. Standard priorities
3. Engineer target turnover (checklist).

D. NBC defense.

1. NBC team organization and equipment.
2. Unit NBC equipment.
3. Defense against nuclear attack.
4. Defense against chemical/biological attack.
5. Decontamination.
6. NBC reconnaissance.

V. FIRE SUPPORT.

- A. Fire support request sequence.
- B. Fire support planning and execution matrix format.
- C. Graphics.

VI. AIR DEFENSE.

- A. Air defense warning and cue words.
- B. Weapons control status and cue words.

VII. INTELLIGENCE/ELECTRONIC WARFARE.

- A. Intelligence.
 1. Standard tasks.
 2. Standard priorities.
- B. Electronic warfare.
 1. Standard tasks.
 2. Standard priorities.
 3. Countermeasures.

VIII. COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT.

A. Resupply procedures.

1. LOGPAC procedures.
2. Battle loss actions.

B. Medical support.

1. Handling and treatment of casualties.
2. Field sanitation.

C. Maintenance support.

1. Battle damage assessment and repair.
2. Exchange criteria.
3. Cannibalization criteria.
4. Maintenance repair time guidelines.

D. Personnel.

1. Replacements.
2. Accountability.
3. Personnel actions.

E. Trains operations.

1. Field trains.
 - a. Layout.
 - b. Operations.
 - c. Displacement/set-up/tear-down.
2. Combat trains.
 - a. Layout.
 - b. Operations.
 - c. Displacement/set-up/tear-down.
3. Unit maintenance collecting point (UMCP).

IX. SAFETY.