

### **Occupy Assembly Area**

**7-3/4-1136**

- Leader designates a quartering party (Key Actions: secures AA; reconnoiters for presence of enemy; determines initial positions; ensures mutual support of positions; guides main body into AA)
- Maintain local security (Key Actions: assigns sectors of fire to ensure mutual support; designates OP positions; ensures OP has communications)
- Establish a priority of work IAW METT-T (Key Actions: Positions assets, crew served weapons and OPs; clear fields of fire; range cards and sector sketches; adjacent unit coordination; prepares fighting positions; establishes fire control measures)
- Provide sector sketch to higher
- Continue to improve position

### **Prepare for Combat**

**7-3/4-1606**

- Receive the mission, conduct TLP
- Inspect personnel and equipment (Key Notes: weapons, NODs, communications equipment, NBC, special equipment, test fire weapons if METT-T permits)
- Issue OPORD within 1/3 (1/3 - 2/3 rule) time constraints
- Coordinate CSS assets; fire plans; maneuver considerations; intelligence requirements; control measures; communications and signals; time schedules; support requirements; transportation requirements
- Receive attachments; brief plan, integrate into element
- Supervise subordinate preparation; monitors higher, adjacent, supporting unit actions
- Rehearse mission specific tasks; Issues orders or modifies plan as needed

### **Develop and Communicate a Plan**

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- Receive WARNO from higher
- Begin TLP
- Develop a tentative plan based on METT-T; prepare a WARNO based on tentative plan
- Issue WARNO: articulates available information. Provide at a minimum; revised mission statement, OPORD time and place, special instructions
- Ensure subordinate leaders initiate TLP
- Conduct mission analysis, updates initial WARNO as information becomes available (Key Notes: considers OKOCA; troops strengths, organization, location, disposition, supplies and capabilities; time available)
- Analyzes various COAs. Compares and decides on a COA
- Identify main and supporting efforts
- Assign essential task and purpose to each subordinate element
- Complete tentative plan
- Begin necessary movement

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- Conduct reconnaissance to confirm or change tentative plan (METT-T and OKOCA)
- Complete the plan
- Issue plan in OPORD format

### **Perform Actions at Danger Area**

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- Direct actions on encountering a danger area (Key Notes: signals "danger

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area", halts and maintains security, confirms danger area)

- Conduct recon of danger area (Key Notes: directs route or bypass if applicable, controls crossing, minimize time spent in danger area, designates near side and far side security, designates crossing point)
- Direct far side clearing technique
- Establishes far side OP forward of cleared area
- Cross danger area (group, wedge, file, line), near side overwatches
- Establish local security, continues mission, accounts for members
- Maintain proper formation and interval

#### **Move Tactically**

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- Determine route based on map recon and METT-T

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- Designate appropriate movement technique and adjusts based on METT-T; covered and concealed route, maintains security
- Control movement, aware of location

#### **Process Enemy Prisoners of War/Captured Material**

**7-3/4-1503**

- Leaders supervise soldiers properly executing the 5-S's on capturing an enemy (Key Actions: Search, Segregate, Silence, Speed, Safeguard)

#### **Maintain Operations Security (OPSEC)**

**7-3/4-1409**

- Leaders protect friendly information (Key Actions: prohibit fraternization)

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with civilians, control maps, conduct inspections and brief soldiers not to carry personal military related items, safeguard weapons, ammunition, sensitive items, sanitize planing areas and positions before departure)

- Employ active and passive security measures (Key Actions: counter-reconnaissance patrols, stand-to procedures, establishes local security, establishes levels of alert)
- Uses camouflage
- Enforce litter discipline
- Enforce radio discipline
- Enforce noise and light discipline
- Use hand and arm signals during movements

- Plan IAW T&EO 7-3/4-1605, Develop and Communicate a Plan
- Organize unit into support, breach and assault elements
- Conduct a reconnaissance to determines breach point
- Plan and directs indirect fires to support breach
- Prepare for the breach IAW T&EO 7-3/4-1606, Prepare for Combat
- Conduct breach IAW T&EO 7-3/4-1403, Conduct an Initial Breach of a Mined Wire Obstacle

#### **Breach an Obstacle**

**7-3/4-1402**

- Conduct troop leading procedures

#### **Conduct an Initial Breach of a Mined Wire Obstacle**

**7-3/4-1403**

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- PL, RATELO, FO, MG, move forward to lead squad (Key Notes/Actions: leader assesses the situation, determines, notifies higher, determines breach point, and route to point, identifies SBF position)
- PL directs a squad to SBF movement of other squads to breach point, gives instructions for lifting/shifting fires
- PL designates breach squad and assault squad
- Assault squad adds fire to support breach squad
- PSG assume control of SBF
- Breach element prepares to breach (Key Notes/Actions: demo, body armor, pro-mask, wire cutters, obscurant)
- PL initiates base of fire(**SUPPRESS**)SBF (Key Notes/Actions: destroys crew served weapons, obscures enemy vision of breach site, sustains suppressive fire)
- PL leads breach and assault squads to breach site
- FO calls indirect fires to support the breach element at breach point
- Breach SL directs actions of breach element (Key Notes/Actions: bounds fire teams to breach point, ensures continuous suppressive fires, leads breach team to breach point, uses smoke to **OBSCURE** breach site)
- PL directs SBF/base of fire to shift away from breach element
- FO shifts indirect fires away from breach site
- Breach TL and AR position on near side of breach, to provide close security (**SECURE**)
- Breach team RF and GR probe to obstacle, marking trip wire and mines and path to breach point

**Conduct an Initial Breach of a Mined Wire Obstacle (cont.)**  
**7-3/4-1403**

- Breach team either cuts wire or positions explosives to cut wire  
(**REDUCE**)
- Breach TL and AR move to far side with RF and GR, signals when breach is clear
- PL reports breach is open
- PL leads assault through breach
- Breach squad widens the breach by reducing the obstacle, and marks a lane through the breach
- PL send SITREP to Commander and brings SBF element through breach
- PL leaves NLT two men to guide follow-on forces through breach point/lane

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**Take Action on Contact**  
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- Element in contact reacts to fire (Key Actions: immediately return fire, takes up covered position, alerts higher to the direction of the enemy)
- Leader controls rate and distribution of fire (Key Notes: locate enemy positions with well aimed fire, maintain control of the unit, check status of personnel, pass information to higher, maintain contact with higher)
- Leader coordinates with subordinate leader (Key Notes: determines if the element must move out of an engagement area, are fires suppressing the enemy?)
- Leader assesses the situation (Key Notes: identifies enemy position, size of the enemy, selects a course of action, reports situation to higher)
- Leader calls for and adjusts indirect fire
- Leader develops a plan (Key Actions: issues a FRAGO with a minimum of task and purpose for each subordinate element, coordinates required support)
- Execute plan

(References: Execute Assault 7-3/4-1103, Breach an Obstacle 7-3/4-1402, Perform Overwatch/Support by Fire 7-3/4-1108, or Break Contact 7-3/4-1111)

**Employ Fire Support  
7-3-1200**

- Leader develops tentative fire support plan
- Offensive Operations: Plan fires based on a leader's reconnaissance (based on

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METT-T) (Key Notes: known enemy locations, dominant and key terrain, enemy counterattack routes, targets of concern, possible enemy locations)

- Defensive Operations: Plan fires based on leader's reconnaissance (Key Notes: enemy avenues of approach, possible dead space, to cover planned and existing obstacles in engagement area, FPFs in front of battle positions, fires to the rear of the battle position)
- Plan for consolidation phase fires (Key Notes: cover enemy counterattack routes, enemy withdrawal routes, possible enemy positions in the area of operations, targets that support resuming the offense)
- Plan type of munitions needed to accomplish the desired results (Key Notes: HE w/fuse combinations, smoke or obscuration, DPICM, illumination)
- Leader synchronizes fires with scheme of maneuver and plan (Key Notes: determine effects desired; suppress, isolate, obscure, neutralize, destroy,

deceive, disrupt; request type fires, priority of fires, priority targets, fire control measures, restrictions to type of fires)(Key Actions: leader provides fire support execution matrix to subordinate leaders and higher, includes fire support plan in rehearsals)

- Leader and FO execute fire support (Key Actions: timely manner that accomplishes the desired results, hit critical and vulnerable areas of the enemy, stop or slow enemy movement, suppresses enemy fires, employment of smoke does not degrade the mission, adjusts priorities of fire as battle progresses)

**Employ Fire Support**  
**7-3-1200 (cont.)**

- Leader reports battle damage assessment by indirect fires to higher at the close of each mission

**Treat and Evacuate Casualties**  
**7-3/4-1504**

- Perform medical treatment (Key Actions: categorizes casualties, administers first aid, stabilizes casualties, begins life saving measures)
- Report casualties as combat conditions permit
- Evacuate casualties to the casualty collection point (Key Notes: retains classified materials and mission essential material (NOD, weapons, etc.)
- Evacuate casualties to the next higher collection point
- Request helicopter evacuation based on METT-T (Key Notes: uses 9-line request format, secures LZ, assists in loading casualties on aircraft)
- Evacuate NBC contaminated casualties (Key Actions: covers casualties if decon not possible, begins decon if possible, ensures casualties are appropriately marked so that they are not evacuated to a "clean" facility)
- Evacuate EPW casualties with the same standard of US casualties

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- Evacuates KIA to a designated collection point

**Perform Combat Service Support Operations  
7-3/4-1501**

- Leader request resupply (Key Note: requested early enough so that it does not effect mission)
- PSG/Asst. PL ensure that sufficient basic load is on hand and distributed IAW plan
- Conduct aerial resupply (Key Actions: secures LZ/DZ, assigns a recovery and

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distribution element and a security element)

- Conduct vehicle resupply (Key Actions: selects a covered and concealed unloading site, maintains security)
- Conduct tactical feeding (Key Actions: maintains local security, maintains OPSEC IAW 7-3/4-1409)
- Perform maintenance functions (Key Actions: maintains weapons, leaders inspect, establishes a priority of cleaning)
- Leader requests necessary transportation support
- Perform personnel service functions
- Perform health support functions (Key Notes: rest plan, uniform selection, soldier's load, well-being of soldiers, personal hygiene, bath and change cloths)
- Perform field sanitation (Key Notes: treats water, latrines away from soldiers, wash hands)

**Perform Consolidation and Reorganization  
7-3/4-1607**

- Leader positions an OP forward to provide security
- Occupy positions around objective and establishes 360 degree security
- Leaders adjust positions and position crew served weapons (Key Notes: cover likely avenues of approach, ensure

mutual support, assign sectors of fire, coordinate with adjacent units)

- Secure the area of enemy forces
- Reestablish the chain of command, fill key positions
- Reestablish communication nets (Key Notes: higher to lower, left to right, FSO net, higher net)
- Man key weapons
- Redistribute ammunition
- Submit ACE (ammunition, casualties and equipment report) to higher
- PSG/Asst. PL request resupply
- Collect and disseminate information about the completed operation
- Clear the objective of casualties
- Make necessary repair or replacement (Key Notes: mines, obstacles, booby traps, fighting positions, relocate key weapons)

#### **Movement to Contact**

**7-3/4-1134**

- Plan the Movement to Contact IAW T&EO 7-3/4-1605, Develop and Communicate a Plan
- Leader determines technique (Search and attack or approach march)
- Supervise preparations IAW T&EO 7-3/4-1606, Prepare for Combat
- Maintain security IAW T&EO 7-3/4-1409 Maintain Operations Security

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- Reconnoiter route to LD
- Crosses LD on time starts MTC
- Move IAW T&EO 7-3/4-1134 Move Tactically
- Platoon Leader directs Search and Attack technique (Key Notes/Actions: coordinates small-units to find, fix or finish enemy; determines size of the areas the units will be operating in; locates the enemy without being detected; once engaged, fixes and maneuvers on the enemy; maintains security throughout the action)
- Platoon Leader directs the approach-march technique (Key Notes/Actions: selects movement technique and formation; maintains contact once contact is made)
- Platoons take action on contact IAW T&EO 7-3/4-1107 Take Action on Contact
- Platoon reorganizes IAW T&EO 7-3/4-1607, Perform Consolidation and Reorganization

#### **Execute Defense**

#### **7-3/4-1115**

- Conduct Leader's Recon of defensive position (Key Notes: issues contingency plan, approaches from the rear, takes appropriate subordinates, confirms or modifies plan, secures position, assigns subordinate leader sections and OP positions, designates CP location, positions crew served weapons)
- Position main body (Key Notes: uses covered and concealed route, enforces

noise and light discipline, maintains security, occupies simultaneously)

- Occupy position (Key Notes: maintains security, identifies engagement area, adjusts positions as necessary, assigns sector of fire, engagement priorities, fire control measures, alternate and supplementary positions, direct fire and fire support plan, final protective fire, communication plan, adjacent unit coordination, R+S plan, sector sketches to higher)
- Prepare fighting positions (Key Notes: emplace mines, reconnoiter forward, adjacent unit coordination, clear fields of fire, range cards, aiming stakes, camouflage)
- Emplace obstacles (Key Notes: covered by direct fire, employed in depth, ties in with existing obstacles)
- Update fire plan (Key Notes: avenues of approach, likely enemy positions, FPF)
- Contact with enemy (Key Actions: alerts higher and subordinates, call in OP (METT-T), calls of indirect fire, initiates direct fire)

- Assess the Situation (Key Notes: initiate FPF, directs automatic weapons fire, cover dead space, reports to higher, withdraws to supplementary/alternate position)
- Consolidates and Reorganizes (7-3/4-1607)

#### **Perform Air Assault**

**7-3/4-1126**

- Leader organizes load based on aircraft ACL stated in OPORD (Key Actions: assigns chalk leaders, maintains tactical integrity, maintains self-sufficiency, cross loads key personnel)
- Leader briefs the air movement plan (Key Information: helicopter formation, LZ, PZ and rendezvous points, type of aircraft, aircraft ACL, down aircraft contingency)
- Chalk leaders brief chalk personnel (Key Information: where to sit on the aircraft, emergency procedures, what to do when the aircraft lands)

- Leader establishes a priority of loading (Key Notes: priority aircraft loads, bump plan, unloading plan)
- Leader supervises equipment preparation
- PZ posture (Key Actions: personnel are dispersed covered and concealed, approach aircraft (from the proper direction) only after it has touched down, maintain a low profile when approaching or departing aircraft)
- Leader ensures safety measures are enforced (Key Notes: weapons on safe, radio antennas secured, hand grenades secured)
- Leader supervises dismount (Key Notes: after aircraft lands, move out 20 meters to side of aircraft and get in prone position, watch for enemy)
- Move to assigned positions and provide 360 degree security
- Evacuate casualties on departing aircraft or as stated in plan

- Proceed with the mission

**Perform Point Ambush  
7-3/4-1145**

- Plans IAW T&EO 7-3/4-1605 (Develop and Communicate a Plan) designate an assault, support, and security element
- Plan indirect fires to destroy the enemy in the kill zone and cover the withdrawal
- Prepare to conduct a leader's recon (Key Notes: designates key leaders to accompany including FO, element leaders, communications; forms a security element; designates ORP chain of command; issues 5-point plan)
- Conduct leader's recon (Key Notes/Actions: recon party is undetected, confirms OBJ location and kill zone, posts security element and leaves 5-point plan)
- Adjust plan based on recon

- Designate ambush formation (i.e. linear or L-shaped)
- Position security teams to the flanks to provide early warning of the enemy approach
- Position the support element (Key Notes/Actions: use covered concealed route, emplace mines/obstacles, positions all weapons (especially MGs); emplace limiting stakes, claymore, overwatches the assault element into position)
- Position the assault element (Key Notes/Actions: identifies individual sectors of fire, emplace claymore mines to cover dead space, camouflage position, takes weapons off safe)
- Security spots enemy and alerts leader (size, direction, special weapons disseminates information, accounts for personnel, follow-on forces)

**Perform Point Ambush  
7-3/4-1145 (cont.)**

- Leader alerts others on receipt of report and determines if enemy force is to large to engage (Key Notes/Actions: directs execution or to allow enemy to pass, if enemy is allowed to pass, leader sends a SALUTE report)
- Leader initiates ambush with highest casualty producing weapon
- Leader controls assault and support fires, illuminates kill zone as necessary
- Leader signals to shift or lift fire
- Assault element assaults before the enemy can react (Key Notes/Actions: kills/captures enemy in kill zone, establishes security for special teams, uses IMT to cross kill zone)
- Specialty teams accomplish their task after assault

- Leader covers withdrawal with planned indirect fires
- Platoon returns to ORP and accounts for equipment, reports to higher

**Reconnoiter Area**  
**7-3/4-1003**

- Occupies ORP
- Leader organizes subordinate elements (Two methods available; separate reconnaissance and security (R&S) elements or combined R&S/security elements)
- Conduct a leaders recon to confirm the objective and plan (Key Actions: issue 5-point contingency plan, identifies objective, employs surveillance, maintains communications, leaves surveillance team to keep objective under surveillance)
- PSG/APL maintains security in ORP (Key Actions: positions security teams on likely avenues of approach)
- Leader returns to ORP with leaders recon (Key Actions: confirms recon plan or issues change through FRAGO,

allows subordinates leaders time to brief/update subordinates)

- Conducts reconnaissance by long range or short range observation and surveillance (Key Actions: selects observation point that offers cover and concealment, gathers IR (information requirements) using SALUTE, establishes one or more OPs as necessary)
- Teams return undetected to ORP and disseminate information through element
- Reports information of immediate effect and departs

### **Execute Assault**

**7-3/4-1103**

- Preparation for the assault (Key Actions: final check of weapons and equipment, establishes sectors of fire, attempts to locate enemy positions, leaders report to higher when they are ready to begin)
- Leader updates situation and issues a FRAGO (Key Actions: determines how to defend following the assault, selects the best route to assault the enemy flanks, positions support element and confirms direction of fire, reports situation to higher, directs the assault to begin)
- Support element initiates fire (Key Actions: continuous, well aimed fire, adjusts indirect fire, shifts fires as directed)
- Assault element conducts the assault (Key Actions: obscures movement if available, does not mask support elements fires, calls for indirect fires, signals to support to shift

fires, delivers sustained accurate fires during the assault, uses IMT to move through the objective, clears and secures the objective)

- Support element moves onto the objective, and prepares for enemy counterattack, reports to higher
- Element begins Consolidation and Reorganization tasks  
7-3/4-1607

**Perform Overwatch/Support by Fire 7-3/4-1108**

- Leader's recon designates support position and routes to it (Key Actions: establishes local security, ensures that it provides overwatch of objective and assault element, able to place suppressive fires on the objective, addresses the contingency plan if position is control by the enemy)
- Support element takes covered and concealed route towards SBF position
- Leaders supervise the occupation and preparation of the position (Key Actions: assigns positions and sectors of fire)
- Overwatch the assault elements movement to the assault position (Key Actions: maintains communications with assault element, does not block assault elements movement by fire, alerts assault element of a change in the enemy)

situation, suppresses the objective with direct fire)

- Control fires on the objective
- Reduce volume of fire when fires become ineffective
- Lift/shift fires as the assault begins or directed

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- If engaged element reacts IAW 7-3/4-1107 Take Action on Contact
- If not engaged, leader makes an estimate of the situation (Key Notes: identifies other supporting positions and vulnerable flank, covered and concealed route to vulnerable flank)
- Leader directs which bunker to knock out first (Key Actions: designates an element not in contact to engage bunker with AT weapon, establishes a base of fire to isolate and suppress the bunker)
- Leader leads the element to the bunkers' vulnerable flank using a covered and concealed route (Key Actions: shifts support fire as he approaches flank, directs a rifleman to grenade bunker, automatic rifleman clears bunker with fires, leader inspects bunker)
- Element continues to destroy bunkers as directed
- Report situation to higher

#### Knock Out a Bunker

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- Perform Consolidation and Reorganization 7-3/4-1607
- Prepare to pass another unit through

- Leader plans for the mission IAW Develop and Communicate a Plan 7-3/4-1605 (Key Actions: designates a security element, assault element, and support element, coordinates with higher for resources)
- Platoon prepares for mission IAW Prepare for Combat 7-3/4-1606 (Key Actions: identifies special teams, conducts rehearsals)
- Platoon moves to ORP (Key Actions: secures ORP, prepares for Leader's recon)
- PL conducts a leader's recon (Key Actions: selects key personnel to go along, leaves a 5-point contingency plan, confirms the objective, route, leaves a surveillance team in place)
- Leader's recon returns to ORP and adjusts raid plan based on current intelligence (Key Actions: assigns positions for all elements, designates routes, designates control measures, informs higher of situation)
- Elements prepare to move into position, conduct final preparation checks

**Perform Raid**  
7-3/4-1102

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- Security elements occupy designated positions
- Support element moves into position
- Platoon leader moves with the assault element into the assault position
- Leaders communicate when ready to begin
- Platoon leader directs support element to fire
- Assault element approaches the objective
- Platoon leader orders the assault (Key Actions: directs the lifting or shifting of support fires, directs security element to seal objective area
- Assault element attacks and secures the objective (Execute Assault 7-3/4-1103)
- Leaders account for personnel, disseminate IR, redistribute ammunition, begin evacuating the wounded
- Platoon leader reports to higher

**Perform Raid**

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- Assault element withdraws as directed
- Support element shifts fire back onto the objective
- Subordinate elements withdraw from the objective as designated in the plan

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