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**SUMMARY OF CHANGES**

This document is substantially revised and must be completely reviewed. Major changes include complete overhaul of CAA training in **Chapter 2**, removal of flying training from this regulation, added specific AFSC training to **Chapters 5-14**, and added **Attachments 2-4**. Tier requirements have been annotated.

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## Chapter 1

### POLICY

**1.1. General.** This instruction provides for training management of personnel assigned to, attached to, or augmenting CAA and Operational Aviation Detachment (OAD) operations. It also establishes a standardized training program.

1.1.1. The overall training program establishes procedures to:

1.1.1.1. Qualify all associated personnel in the mission as combat aviation advisors.

1.1.1.2. Specify continuation training requirements for all associated AFSCs.

1.1.2. For the purposes of this instruction, CAA aviators operate aboard three categories of aircraft. It is important to distinguish between the categories of aircraft. The Commander, Air Force Special Operations Air Warfare Center (AFSOAWC/CC) will make determination if in garrison aircraft fall under additional or supplemental category, and if aircraft specific addenda are required.

1.1.2.1. Standard/Organic Aircraft. Aircraft listed as part of the US Air Force (USAF) inventory. The training instructions for these aircraft are listed in the applicable AFI 112 Mission Design Series (MDS), Vol 1.

1.1.2.2. Additional Aircraft. Nonstandard aircraft that are not part of the USAF inventory, but are flown for the purposes of continuing and maintaining qualification and/or certification. The training instructions for these aircraft are normally listed in AFSOCI 11-219, Vol 1, *Additional Aircraft Training*.

1.1.2.3. Supplemental Aircraft. Nonstandard aircraft which are not part of the USAF inventory, and typically used for the purpose of conducting advisory operations. Usually not used for maintaining qualification. The training instructions for these aircraft are listed in AFSOCI 11219, Vol 1.

1.1.3. CAA mission qualification training (**Chapter 2**) establishes required Mission Ready (MR) training for personnel in the combat aviation advisor mission. It also covers training programs for augmenters supporting the advisory role.

1.1.4. Maintenance training (**Chapter 4**) establishes required training guidelines for maintenance personnel to fulfill unit mission requirements, supplementary aircraft training, and qualification training within the maintenance personnel's AFSC.

1.1.5. Special tactics training (**Chapter 5**) establishes required training for special tactics personnel to include Special Tactics Officer (STO) and Combat Control.

1.1.6. Combat Rescue Officer (CRO) and Pararescue (PJ) training (**Chapter 6**) establishes required training for CRO and PJ personnel.

1.1.7. Security forces training (**Chapter 7**) establishes required training for security forces personnel to fulfill mission requirements as security forces and antiterrorism officers.

1.1.8. Survival, Evasion, Resistance, and Escape (SERE) training (**Chapter 8**) establishes required training for SERE specialists.

1.1.9. Medical training (**Chapter 9**) establishes required training for medical personnel.

1.1.10. Intelligence training (**Chapter 10**) establishes required training for intelligence personnel.

1.1.11. Air transportation training (**Chapter 11**) establishes required training for air transportation personnel.

1.1.12. Communications training (**Chapter 12**) establishes training required for communications specialist personnel.

1.1.13. Logistics training (**Chapter 13**) establishes training required for logistics personnel.

1.1.14. Aircrew Flight Equipment (AFE) training (**Chapter 14**) establishes training required for AFE personnel.

1.1.15. Training records (**Chapter 15**) establishes detailed instructions for managing and completing documentation on all CAA personnel. Refer to AFI 11-2MDS, Vol 1, or AFSOCI 11219, Vol 1, regarding proper documentation of aircrew training records.

**1.2. Training Objective.** The CAA ground training program prescribed in this instruction facilitates immediate and effective employment of CAA capabilities across the operational continuum by developing and maintaining a high state of mission readiness.

1.2.1. Flying Training. All flying training will be accomplished and documented in accordance with the guidance governing the MDS and AFSOCI 11-219, Vol 1. All CAA specific training identified in the CAA Command Job Qualification Standard (CJQS) will be documented in accordance with AFI 36-2201, *Air Force Training Program*.

1.2.2. Non-Aircrew Training. All non-aircrew training will be accomplished and documented in accordance with AFI 36-2201, *Air Force Training Program*, and **Chapter 15** of this instruction.

### **1.3. Roles and Responsibilities.**

1.3.1. The AFSOAWC/CC will approve an established training program that is consistent with the policies and requirements of this instruction.

1.3.2. Initiate waiver requests for training requirements through AFSOAWC/CC. (T-3)

1.3.3. Commanders will:

1.3.3.1. Identify areas where additional training is needed, and direct training needs to unit training office.

1.3.3.2. Initiate action to obtain necessary training support.

1.3.4. Unit Training will:

1.3.4.1. Schedule and conduct required or directed training to ensure all unit members receive applicable training.

1.3.4.2. Submit waiver requests through the appropriate channels to AFSOAWC/CC.

1.3.4.3. Monitor status of training. Report deviations and document significant trends affecting unit or individual training status to unit commanders and operations officers.

1.3.4.4. Work with operations officers (DO), assistant operations officer(s) (ADO), flight commanders and/or flight chiefs to determine forecasted training requirements, both air and ground, for upcoming mission taskings.

1.3.4.5. Work with DO, ADO, flight commanders and/or flight chiefs to schedule required qualification, certification, currency, or proficiency training.

**1.4. Training Policy.** The primary training method for aircrew training will be IAW AFSOCI 11-219, Vol 1, or applicable 11-2MDS, Vol 1. Units will forward all locally developed syllabi for all flying training to HQ AFSOC/A3T for review and approval or as stipulated in guidance memorandums. Locally developed ground training syllabi will be forwarded to AFSOAWC training office. All combat aviation advisor and augments ground training will be conducted IAW **Chapter 2** of this instruction.

**1.5. Active Duty Service Commitments (ADSC).** Formal training, either primary or secondary method, conducted per this instruction may incur an active duty service commitment per AFI 362107, *Active Duty Service Commitments (ADSC)*. Refer to AFI 36-2107 for program specifics. Individuals will acknowledge the incurred ADSC by signing the AF Form 63, *Active Duty Service Commitment (ADSC) Acknowledgement Statement*, prior to entering training. The unit training officer will notify HQ AFPC/DPSFO via the servicing Military Personnel Flight (MPF) once training is complete.

**1.6. Waivers.** Except where otherwise noted, AFSOAWC/CC is the waiver authority for requirements listed in this instruction. Reference **Paragraph 2.9** of this instruction for the waiver authority for CAA imposed ground training requirements. All information will be provided in the following format. (T-3)

1.6.1. Tier requirements refer to waiver authority based on level of risk.

1.6.1.1. “Tier 0” (T-0) requirements are reserved for requirements that non-compliance is determined and waived by respective non-Air Force authority.

1.6.1.2. “Tier 1” (T-1) requirements are reserved for requirements that non-compliance may put airman, mission, or program strongly at risk, and may only be waived by the MAJCOM/CC or delegate with concurrence of publication approver. When multiple MAJCOMs are affected, then T-1 is appropriate.

1.6.1.3. “Tier 2” (T-2) requirements are reserved for requirements that potentially put the mission at risk or potentially degrade the mission or program, and may only be waived by the MAJCOM/CC or delegate.

1.6.1.4. “Tier 3” (T-3) requirements are reserved for requirements that non-compliance has a remote risk of mission failure, and may be waived by the Wing/CC but no lower than the OG/CC.

1.6.2. Identify waiver type (include paragraph within applicable instruction that requires waiver action).

1.6.3. Name and grade of individual requiring the waiver.

1.6.4. Unit of assignment. If attached, also provide flying unit attached to.

1.6.5. Total primary mission aircraft inventory flying time, including instructor or evaluator time (if applicable).

- 1.6.6. Crew qualification to which aircrew member is qualifying or upgrading (if applicable).
- 1.6.7. Scheduled training start date (if applicable).
- 1.6.8. Expected qualification or upgrade completion date (if applicable).
- 1.6.9. Date event last accomplished (if applicable).
- 1.6.10. Explanation of reason for waiver.
- 1.6.11. Summary of risk mitigation.
- 1.6.12. Requesting unit point of contact (include name, rank, office symbol, e-mail address, and telephone number).
- 1.6.13. Mailing address to which courseware should be sent (if applicable).
- 1.6.14. If the training requires an ADSC , in accordance with AFI 36-2107, include the following statement: “Individual acknowledged receipt of ADSC by signing AF Form 63 on (date AF Form 63 signed).”

**1.7. Initial Cadre.** Applies to aircrew only. See AFI 11-202, Vol 2, *Aircrew Standardization/Evaluation Program*, and AFSOC Sup 1.

**1.8. Changes.** Recommendations for changes or improvements to this instruction are encouraged. Forward recommendations to HQ AFSOC/A3V on an AF Form 847. All revision requests will be routed through the unit standardization/evaluation office.

**1.9. Deviations.** This instruction does not authorize deviations from approved flight manuals or any other AFI or Department of Defense (DOD) regulations. Flight and ground safety will be given prime consideration and must take precedence over the requirements and guidance of this instruction.

**1.10. Publication Administration.** This instruction will be made available to AFSOC and AFRC CAAs and augmenters. Electronic copies will be available on the AFSOC SharePoint site:

<https://teams.afsoc.af.mil/sites/StanEval/FormServerTemplates/CAA.aspx?PageView=Shared>, or via the Central Hub.

**1.11. Terms Explained.**

- 1.11.1. “Will” and “shall” indicate a mandatory requirement.
- 1.11.2. “Should” indicates a recommended procedure.
- 1.11.3. “May” indicates an acceptable or suggested means of accomplishment.

## Chapter 2

### COMBAT AVIATION ADVISOR MISSION QUALIFICATION (CAAMQC)

**2.1. Purpose.** The CAAMQC was designed to prepare selected members to perform duties as a combat aviation advisor and deploy as a member of an OAD. The course provides training for these personnel to gain the skills necessary to operate from austere locations, often without logistical support through normal DOD channels. A principal objective of this training is to give US personnel the skills necessary to facilitate the availability, reliability, safety, and interoperability of Partner Nation (PN) aviation resources to support combined Special Operations Forces (SOF), either through organic or supplemental aircraft.

2.1.1. CAAs are aircrew members or other specially trained personnel that accomplish SOF Irregular Warfare missions. Examples of other personnel include Security Forces, Crew Chiefs; Intelligence Personnel; Logisticians; SERE specialists; AFE specialists; Riggers; and International Health Medics. CAAs serve in squadrons specifically dedicated to the foreign internal defense (FID) mission.

2.1.2. CAA augmenters are other personnel who augment CAA missions but do not receive the same level of training. Examples of CAA augmenters include C-145A maintainers assigned to the 919 MXS and AFSAWC and AFSOC members with specialized skills necessary for specific irregular warfare missions.

**2.2. Scope of Training.** Mission qualification training is focused on providing trained personnel that support the five pillars of irregular warfare (IW): FID, , Counter Terrorism (CT) Counterinsurgency (COIN), Unconventional Warfare (UW), stability operations (stab ops), as well as the IW function of Security Force Assistance (SFA).

2.2.1. Collateral Activities. The mission arena also encompasses such collateral activities as advising on aviation support for disaster assistance and humanitarian aid.

**2.3. Qualification Training Requirements.** Qualification training guidance and requirements are based on AFDD 3-22, *Foreign Internal Defense*, AFDD 3-24, *Irregular Warfare*, JP 3-22, *Foreign Internal Defense*, and AFTTP 3-2.76 *Multi Service TTP for Advising Foreign Forces*. Training will be accomplished in accordance with AFI 10-403, *Deployment Planning and Execution*, and this instruction. Initial and recurring training events are listed in **Table 2.1**.

2.3.1. The CAAMQC was specifically designed to prepare selected members to perform duties as a combat aviation advisor in their specific specialty and deploy as a member of an OAD. Specific requirements for the CAAMQC are detailed in the CAA Command Job Qualification Standard (CJQS). See **Paragraphs 2.6** and **2.7** for the levels of MR skill status. The following outlines each phase of training and the time associated with completing each phase.

2.3.2. **Language Training Program.** Target language proficiency provides an indication of ability to succeed in performing the CAA mission and is linked directly to readiness. Language skills are highly perishable when not routinely practiced. Personnel must be given every possible opportunity to maintain or enhance critical language skills.

2.3.2.1. Language training programs consist of the following:

#### 2.3.2.2. Initial Acquisition Training (IAT).

2.3.2.3. Category I/II Languages: CAA Airmen assigned to study Spanish, Portuguese-Brazilian, Indonesian, or French will attend language training classes for 85 training days.

2.3.2.4 Category III Languages: CAA Airmen assigned to study Russian, Polish, Thai, or Tagalog will attend language training for 125 training days.

2.3.2.5. Category IV Languages: CAA Airmen assigned to study Arabic, Persian Farsi, Dari, Pashto, Urdu, or Korean will attend language training for 165 training days.

2.3.2.6. IAT includes intensive study to promote rapid retention of vocabulary and grammar. Upon completion of the course, each Airman must complete the OPI and the DLPT.

**2.3.3. Sustainment and Enhancement Training.** This training is designed to maintain and enhance the language proficiency. Personnel should accomplish 80-120 hours of training annually of which no more than 40 hours should be self-study (per USSOCOM M350-8). This will be scheduled through the ULM. Language Live Environment Training (LET) or immersion will meet this requirement.

2.3.3.1 LET is available to all CAAs who maintain a current DLPT of 1/1 or better. For LET in languages other than the one in which the member is billeted Sq/CC/ or DO are the approval authority. Language immersion should take place in a country in which the assigned language is primary. Ideally, the CAA should stay with a host nation family.

2.3.3.2. The squadron ULM will continually evaluate language programs to ensure their effectiveness in supporting mission requirements. Target language usage will be integrated in daily training activities, when feasible, and scheduled language-training sessions should be conducted in a timely manner with minimum interruptions.

2.3.3.3. The Sq/CC or DO is the approval authority for individual language training/LET. The squadron ULM will schedule the training based on mission requirements, partner nation practices, and security environment.

**2.3.4. Phase IV - Specialty Developmental Training.** Conducted in-unit in the individual squadrons.

**2.3.5. Methods of Instructor Course or equivalent.** This course is accomplished at USAFSOS. The course is geared to increasing the level of learning of USAFSOS students by providing instructors who can provide necessary academics in the most thought provoking and stimulating manner possible. Course length: 10 days. **Note:** Air Force aircrew personnel are normally not accepted to active-duty CAA units without previous instructor experience. Instructor experience is highly desired in all other applicable Air Force AFSCs that may be considered for Combat Aviation Advisory duties.

2.3.5.1. Aircrew will gain qualification in worldwide mobility requirements IAW specific AFI 11-2MDS, Vol 1, series. Non aircrew members will maintain worldwide deployment requirements in accordance with appropriate guidance.

2.3.6. **Special Category (SPECAT) Briefing, Department of State (DOS).** Conducted during base in-processing.

2.3.7. **Combat Survival Training/Refresher.** Due to the unique combat aviation advisory mission, all deployable CAAs will attend S-V80-A, Basic Combat Survival. Aircrew will follow AFI 11-2MDS guidance for initial and refresher training.

2.3.7.1. Stand-alone C-Level Peacetime Government Detention/Hostage Survival training is required for all CAAs not currently C-Level Peacetime Government Detention/Hostage Survival trained who graduated from S-V80-A prior to 5 Jan 2007.

**2.4. Supervised Deployment.** Each CAA will accomplish a supervised deployment according to [Attachment 3](#) of this instruction and will employ METLs that the supervisee is expected to train, advise and assist in during their CAA tour.

2.4.1. Supervised deployments ensure the combat aviation advisor is prepared to deploy alone or as a member of an OAD team. Personnel qualified for command element duties must complete a supervised deployment under a qualified advisor before being appointed.

2.4.2. All checklist paperwork will be submitted to squadron training upon completion and placed in the member's career training folder. The initial supervised deployment checklist is attached to this instruction. Use [Attachment 4](#), for mission commander and [Attachment 5](#) for team sergeant upgrade deployments. Complete a supervised deployment checklist only for initial CAA qualification. Upon successful completion of a supervised or upgrade deployment, complete the appropriate forms for routing through appropriate squadron channels and then to the unit training manager for filing within the respective member's CAA training records.

2.4.2.1. The advisor providing supervision will be an experienced, MR CAA, preferably of the same AFSC. A non-flyer will not give a supervised deployment to an aviator.

2.4.2.2. **The Supervised Deployment.** Will employ METLs that the supervisee is expected to train, advise and assist in during their CAA tour.

**2.5. Continuing Education and Training.** Continuing Education and Training (CE&T) is designed to further develop knowledge of CAA mission areas and enhance the tactical and technical capabilities of combat aviation advisors through formal training courses and locally developed programs. The following training events should be accomplished within 18 months after completing the initial MR requirements. The completion of this training leads to an advanced CAA rating IAW [Paragraph 2.7](#) of this instruction.

2.5.1. Deployed Equipment Custodian Training. This training is conducted IAW AFI 10-403.

2.5.2. Forklift Operator Qualification. This training is conducted by qualified personnel in accordance with AFI 10-403.

2.5.3. Hazardous Declarations Training. This training is conducted IAW AFI 10-403.

2.5.4. Pallet Preparation Training. This training is conducted annually IAW AFI 10-403.

2.5.5. Cargo Courier Training. This training is given on cargo courier responsibilities and inspection procedures, and is conducted in-unit IAW AFI 10-403.

2.5.6. Additional USAFSOS Courses. Refer to the USAFSOS website for additional information. <http://www.afsoc.af.mil/usafsos/>.

2.5.6.1. Mission Commanders Course (MCC). The MCC is offered through USAFSOS. It is required that all CAAs attend the MCC prior to assuming duties as a detachment/mission commander or team sergeant. Reference the USAFSOS internet site for scheduling.

2.5.6.2. Theater Orientation Courses. Personnel will attend courses specific to their assigned theater/tactical flight, or at the direction of unit leadership. Reference the USAFSOS website for current class offerings.

2.5.6.3. Dynamics of International Terrorism (DIT). DIT is a basic course designed to provide students with an awareness and appreciation of the organization, motivation, operational capabilities, and threat posed by terrorists on an international, national, and regional basis. DIT is a prerequisite for the Responsible Officers Course.

2.5.6.4. Responsible Officers Course (ROC). ROC places a strong emphasis on individual protective measures that can be used to minimize terrorism threats, to include OPSEC considerations. Students will engage in antiterrorism/force protection (AT/FP) planning, vulnerability assessments, site surveys, and reporting, as well as familiarization with the technology and techniques associated with AT/FP duties.

2.5.7. Defense Institute for Security Assistance Management Training (DISAM). DISAM is normally a week-long course but may be condensed per DISAM training personnel. It is intended to instruct personnel on the appropriate manner to conduct security assistance (SA) missions with lessons on proper appropriation of SA funds. This course is mandatory for all mission commander (MC) and team sergeant (TS) personnel. Refer to the DISAM website, <http://www.disam.dsca.mil/>, or unit training personnel for scheduling.

2.5.8. Flight Line Driver Competency. IAW installation requirements, all CAA members will acquire an AF Form 483, *Flight line Competency Card*.

**2.6. Combat Aviation Advisor Skill Level 1 - Tactical Advisor.** A CAA will be considered level 1 qualified upon completion of the CAAMQC, completion of all core MR requirements, and a successful initial supervised deployment. A level 1 CAA is considered “fully qualified”. Tactical advisors are expected to be able to:

2.6.1. Perform general advisor duties; assess, advise, train, and assist foreign aviation forces to employ and sustain their own assets in both peace and war and, when necessary, to integrate those assets into joint, combined, and multi-national operations. A principal objective of advisory operations is to facilitate the availability, reliability, safety, and interoperability of PN or participating-nation aviation resources.

2.6.2. Operate communications equipment, vehicles, weapons systems, and other special purpose equipment.

2.6.3. Apply tactical combat casualty care and life saving procedures.

- 2.6.4. Submit inputs for inclusion into the development of tactical and strategic assessments and reports. Develop functional plans of instruction and course syllabus.
- 2.6.5. Maintain cultural and language proficiency in region of responsibility.
- 2.6.6. Perform functional operations in primary AFSC as part of an OAD.
- 2.6.7. Maintain proficiency in applicable regionally focused nonstandard equipment, airframes, and weapons.
- 2.6.8. Assist the mission/detachment commander or operations sergeant in the preparation of the operations and training portions of area engagement plans, brief-backs, Operational Plans (OPLAN) and Operational Orders (OPORD).
- 2.6.9. Organize, train, assist, advise, direct, or, with proper authorities, lead indigenous aviation combat forces.

**2.7. Combat Aviation Advisor Skill Level 2 - Senior Advisor.** CAA skill level 2 is attained once all required CE&T in **Paragraph 2.5** have been completed. All Level 2 CAAs are expected to meet requirements listed in **Paragraph 2.6**. Additionally, they are expected to be able to:

- 2.7.1. Lead, manage, supervise, direct, and perform CAA activities.
- 2.7.2. Develop plans, policies, procedures, and detailed instruction to implement CAA programs.
- 2.7.3. Provide oversight, guidance, and assistance to combatant commanders regarding application of CAA information, personnel, and equipment.
- 2.7.4. Enforce standards of conduct, discipline, and adherence to laws and directives.
- 2.7.5. Inspect and evaluate effectiveness of CAA personnel and activities.
- 2.7.6. Analyze intelligence reports and statistics.
- 2.7.7. Conduct advance team operations and liaison functions with Joint Special Operations Task Force Headquarters and other government agencies.

**2.8. Deployed Command Element.** The deployed command element consists of the detachment commander, detachment deputy commander/NCO, and team leader. The following requirements must be met for appointment.

- 2.8.1. Mission/Detachment Commander Qualification. The squadron commander or operations officer will select all appointees for mission/detachment commander based on operational experience, proven knowledge of CAA mission areas, and leadership ability. Personnel are eligible for appointment after completing all required MR events and all mission commander upgrade events identified in **Paragraph 2.5**. Additionally, **Attachment 4**, the mission commander supervised deployment checklist will be completed IAW **Paragraph 2.4.2** of this instruction prior to assuming unsupervised mission commander duties. Use **Attachment 4**, for mission commander upgrades and **Attachment 5** for team sergeant upgrades. CAA personnel will not be considered for mission/detachment commander duty unless he is qualified as a senior advisor IAW **Paragraph 2.7**.

2.8.2. Mission/Detachment Deputy Commander, Team Sergeant and Team Leader Qualifications. The squadron commander or operations officer will select all appointees for these positions based on operational experience, proven knowledge of CAA mission areas and leadership ability. CAAs are considered for appointment as either detachment deputy commander, team sergeant or team leader after completing all required MR events and all applicable noted events identified in **Paragraph 2.5**. Additionally, **Attachment 3**, the supervised deployment checklist, will be completed IAW **Paragraph 2.4.2** of this instruction prior to assuming unsupervised deputy commander, team sergeant or team leader duties. CAA personnel will not be considered for these duties unless they are qualified as a senior advisor IAW **Paragraph 2.7**.

**2.9. Training Waivers.** With the exception of AFI requirements, the operational Sq/CC may waive advisor qualification requirements; and MR training requirements listed in this chapter. Waivers for this instruction will be maintained by squadron training in members' career training folder. Waivers for MR items should not be approved unless extenuating circumstances prevail or directed mission dictates.

2.9.1. Waiver letters should be submitted to the squadron training not later than 30 days prior to the deployment.

2.9.2. Squadron training should route the waiver request through the Sq/Standardization and Evaluation, DO and the CC no later than 20 days prior to the deployment.

2.9.2.1. As a minimum, requests will contain the following information:

2.9.2.1.1. Name, Rank, Mission number/name of exercise.

2.9.2.1.2. Brief mission description (including force protection threat and risk assessment).

2.9.2.1.3. Training events not yet accomplished, reason, and expected completion date of those events.

2.9.2.1.4. Impact, if any, of not approving the waiver.

## **2.10. Augmenter Training.**

2.10.1. Designated Augmenter Training. Augmenters are normally identified in advance, provided mission-specific training, and are listed against specific mobility positions. Designated augmenters must receive advanced weapons training, advanced medical training, defensive driving training, small unit tactics, and tactical force protection training. (T-3)

2.10.2. Isolation/Spin-Up. All designated augmenters should participate in mandatory mission spin-up training and isolation prior to and after missions IAW Vol 3 of this instruction. If from outside AFSOC, augmenters orders are to be cut to ensure attendance.

2.10.3. Non-Designated Augmenter Training. Non-designated augmenters are employed when their capabilities are not available or resident within CAA units or AFSOC and their participation is required to facilitate mission execution or unit self-training during Joint Chiefs of Staff exercises, Joint-Combined Exchange Training (JCET), counter narcotics-funded missions, and the like. Non-designated augmenters can deploy as supervised team members, but must meet theater and USAF deployment requirements. Additionally, they must receive theater/country-specific orientation briefings prior to departure. This briefing

will include such issues as, but not limited to, local customs, cultural practices, medical considerations, current political/military situations, threats, and military insignia.

2.10.4. Isolation/Spin-Up. All non-designated augmenters will participate in mandatory mission spin-up training and isolation prior to and after missions IAW Vol 3 of this instruction. If from outside AFSOC, augmenter orders must be cut to ensure attendance.

**2.11. Weapons Qualifications.** CAAs conduct operations in a variety of low to critical threat environments, often at locations where no other US forces are present. The increased likelihood of contact with a hostile threat or hostile forces at deployed locations makes advanced weapons skills necessary for CAA personnel. Furthermore, when operating jointly with other US SOF personnel, CAA operational teams may be required to integrate their firepower in order to effectively execute force protection. CAA advanced weapons training programs employ a building-block approach that expands upon the basic fundamentals taught during the Air Force Qualification Course. Personnel will progress to advanced weapons training once they have established AF standard proficiency and demonstrated them to CAA security forces personnel. This approach enhances individual and team weapons proficiency through sound doctrine and established standards, tactics, techniques, and procedures.

2.11.1. CAAs are required to maintain qualification in accordance with AFI 31-207, *Arming and Use of Force by Air Force Personnel*, Category B, Tables of Standards.

2.11.2. CAAs will maintain proficiency in Advanced Weapons Training (AWT) Level 3 objectives, in accordance with AFSOAWC operating instructions.

**2.12. Mission Spin-Up Training.** Each deploying OAD will enter isolation for a minimum of one-week prior to mission deployment. During this period of isolation the OAD primary responsibility will be spin-up training. The OAD mission commander may use this time to complete team MR requirements and other mission essential training and refreshers. A spin-up training plan will be presented to the unit DO for review. More information on pre-deployment spin-up training can be found in Volume 3 of this instruction.

**2.13. Quarterly Division Training Requirements.** Each war-fighting division or team is required to conduct a team oriented training event per quarter. This training will be coordinated through squadron training. The intent of this training period is to aid in establishing team rules of engagement/tactics, techniques and procedures and develop cohesiveness to foster better downrange employment. It is highly encouraged that this training take place off-station at a unit commander approved training location. Include this training into the annual training budget request.

**Table 2.1. One Time Requirements (MR).**

One-Time Requirements (MR)	Notes
Combat Aviation Advisor Mission Qualification Course (AFSOCI 16-101, Vol 1)	1
Intercultural Competence For SOF (AFSOCI 16-101, Vol 1)	1
Introduction to Special Operations Command (AFSOCI 16-101, Vol 1)	1
High Threat/Combat Survival Training Refresher (AFSOCI 10-3001)	1
SV80-A, Level-C Combat Survival Training	1

Level C Peacetime/Government Detention/Hostage Survival (AFSOC 10-3001)	1, 6
Supervised Deployment (AFSOI 16-101, Vol 1)	1
Methods Of Instruction Course Or Equivalent (AFSOI 16-101, Vol 1)	1
Theater Orientation Courses: (AFSOI 16-101V1)	1
Contemporary Insurgent Warfare Course (AFSOI 16-101, Vol 1)	1
Responsible Officers Course (AFSOI 16-101, Vol 1)	1
<b>Required Every 12 Months</b>	
M-9 Air Force Qualification Course (AFI 36-2226) (Aircrew every 2 years)	1
M-4 Air Force Qualification Course (AFI 36-2226)	1
Tactical Combat Casualty Care (Command Directive)	1
Defense Language Proficiency Test (USSOCOM 350-8/AFSOI 16-101, Vol 1)	1
<b>One-Time Requirements (CE&amp;T)</b>	
Defense Institute For Security Assistance Management (AFSOI 16-101, Vol 1)	2
Deployed Equipment Custodian Training (AFI 10-403)	3
Forklift Qualification (AFI 10-403)	3
Hazardous Declarations Training (AFI 10-403)	3
Pallet Preparation Training (AFI 10-403)	3
Cargo Courier Training (AFI 10-403)	3
Mission Commander Course (AFSOI 16-101, Vol 1)	4
Dynamics Of International Terrorism Course	1, 5
Responsible Officers Course (AFSOI 16-101, Vol 1)	1, 5
<b>Notes:</b> 1. Required by all CAA personnel. 2. Required by CAA deployed mission commanders, team sergeants and garrison ADOs, flight commanders and superintendents. 3. Required of all CAA/Mobility Office personnel and deployed team sergeants only. 4. Required of all CAA mission/detachment commanders. 5. Required by CAA Mission/Detachment Deputy Commander, Team Sergeant, Team Leader and Intel, SERE and SF CAAs 6. If not previously a graduate of SERE 225 or SV 91/93. 7. Waiver authority for <b>Table 2.1</b> reference <b>Paragraph 1.6</b> and <b>2.10</b> of this instruction.	

**Chapter 3****FLYING TRAINING**

**3.1. General.** Refer to AFSOCI 11-219, Vol 1, or appropriate AFI 11-2MDS, Vol 1.

## Chapter 4

### MAINTENANCE TRAINING

**4.1. General.** Combat Aviation Advisor Maintenance Personnel (CAAMP) are required to assess, instruct, advise and assist foreign nationals on the employment, sustainment and operation of a variety of aircraft and equipment, in a tactical environment, and often on aircraft and equipment that is not in the USAF inventory. The CAA maintenance training program is designed to prepare an experienced, mature maintenance technician to achieve and maintain the required level and type of expertise to operate successfully and safely in the maintenance advisory environment.

4.1.1. Enlisted maintenance personnel assigned as CAAs interacting with PN personnel must hold a minimum of a 7-skill level in their assigned AFSC to include 2A5X1 (fixed-wing aircraft general (APG)), 2A5X2 (Helicopter APG), 2A6X1 (propulsion) or 2A3X3 (tactical aircraft maintenance). CAAMP must hold a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airframe and Powerplant (A&P) license. The mission requirements/duties are normally performed at austere locations where specific MDS/nonstandard aircraft (NSA) support capability are not available.

4.1.1.1. CAAMP will be required to maintain proficiency standards outlined in AFSOCI 16101, Vol 1, and AFSOCI 16-101, Vol 3, *Combat Aviation Advisory Operations*. (T-3)

4.1.2. The CAA maintenance training program has two principal objectives:

4.1.2.1. Qualify maintenance advisors on the appropriate aircraft and equipment to fulfill the squadron's mission.

4.1.2.2. Enable maintenance technicians to maintain currency in appropriate technical areas.

4.1.3. Designated Aircraft. The technicians assigned have been selected by AFSC for their expertise in their respective career field. Technicians will be required to maintain proficiency to the best of their ability depending on aircraft availability in the squadron. The technician's will maintain Career Field Education and Training Plan (CFETP) records in accordance with AFI 36-2232, *Maintenance Training*.

4.1.3.1. Supplemental Aircraft. CAA technicians licensed as FAA Airframe and Powerplant (A&P) mechanics are authorized multiple supplementary aircraft qualification. **Note:** See [Chapter 1](#) for definition of Supplementary Aircraft.

4.1.3.2. Cross Utilization Training (CUT). Technicians holding an FAA A&P certificate may be CUT-trained to accomplish mission requirements with the approval of the squadron commander in the organization where maintenance will be performed. CUT may be accomplished so the maintainer can assist another fully qualified technician as they maintain oversight and overall responsibility for the maintenance accomplished. CUT should be accomplished prior to the mission and documented in the technician's Training Business Area (TBA) journal. Qualified technicians can be CUT in the following areas:

4.1.3.2.1. Fixed-wing technicians may be CUT in rotor-wing inspection procedures, system servicing and ground handling including launch, recovery and power application. Likewise, rotary-wing technicians may be CUT in fixed-wing inspection procedures, system servicing and ground handling including launch, recovery and power application. **Note:** A CUT-trained technician is not qualified to replace a technician certified and proficient on that specific airframe as described below.

## 4.2. CAA Maintenance Training Policy

### 4.2.1. Training:

4.2.1.1. USAF Inventory Aircraft. Training will be accomplished IAW AFI 36-2232.

4.2.1.2. Supplemental Aircraft. Initial training will be accomplished IAW FAA/Aviation Maintenance Technicians (AMT) FAR/AMT Part 65, Sub-part D, Sec. 65.81. To the maximum extent possible, training will be conducted at FAR/AMT, Part 147, Aviation maintenance technician schools. Squadron CCs may approve non certificated schools to accomplish mission objectives. Refresher training will be conducted as required and will be conducted at the appropriate corporation for additional aircraft, or in-unit for leased aircraft. All refresher training will be documented in the TBA journal.

### 4.2.2. Documentation:

4.2.2.1. USAF Inventory Aircraft. Training will be documented IAW AFI 36-2232 and AFI 36-2201.

#### 4.2.2.2. Supplemental Aircraft:

4.2.2.2.1. Training completed at FAR Part 147 certificated schools: Technician will file a copy of the transcript and/or certificate of completion in their TBA journal. Additionally, technicians will document in the TBA journal, stating they attended a FAR/AMT Part 147 school with a reference to the transcript/certificate.

4.2.2.2.2. Training completed at squadron approved noncertified schools: Technician will file a copy of the approved training syllabus and/or certificate of completion in their TBA journal. Additionally, technicians will document in the TBA journal stating they attended a squadron approved noncertified school with a reference to the syllabus/certificate.

4.2.2.2.3. Training completed IAW FAR Part 65, Sub-Part D, Sec. 65.81: Training will be documented on the TBA journal by the trainer and trainee specifying which airframe and task the trainee is qualified to perform.

### 4.2.3. Maintenance Proficiency.

4.2.3.1. Maintenance proficiency/currency will be tracked according to Maintenance Duty Hours (MDH) program. A MDH is any hour spent attending training, performing maintenance, giving instruction or flying on a particular airframe to include maintenance being performed during deployments.

4.2.3.2. Technicians must complete 40 MDH each quarter on their assigned designated aircraft or supplementary aircraft in support of upcoming scheduled deployment. If the deployment occurs mid-quarter 20 hours are required prior to deployment.

4.2.3.3. Technicians not meeting the required MDH in support of a deployment must have approval from squadron commander in the form of a waiver letter. Waivers may be submitted IAW **Paragraph 2.6**.

4.2.4. Documentation of Maintenance Proficiency.

4.2.4.1. All MDH will be reported to the designated maintenance training representative to be properly tracked and documented.

## Chapter 5

### SPECIAL TACTICS OFFICER (STO) & COMBAT CONTROL (CCT) TRAINING

**5.1. General.** STO and CCT CAA personnel provide the theater combatant commanders with a credible and regionally focused capability. CCT/STO combat aviation advisors assess, train, advise, and assist PN in establishing and maintaining air traffic control and command and control (C2) in the objective area, and air to ground integration to include call for fire (CFF) close air support (CAS), drop zone (DZ) and landing zone (LZ) control.

**5.2. Qualifications.** All CCT personnel assigned as CAAs will possess a 7-level and should possess advanced qualifications such as static line and military free fall jumpmaster and diving supervisor. STO/CCT personnel will be trained to support tasking and maintain a high level of proficiency in TTP relating to special tactics (ST) skill sets. In addition to standard CAA advisory training requirements stated in [Chapter 2](#) of this instruction, STOs/CCTs will maintain global core task qualifications IAW their CFETP.

#### 5.3. Training.

5.3.1. Required. STO/CCT CAAs will accomplish CAA qualification training IAW this instruction. STO/CCT specific training will be accomplished IAW AFSOCI 36-2204, *Special Tactics Operator Training*, additionally there are continuation training requirements unique to their career fields that are not identified in AFSOCI 36-2204. The additional training of perishable skills requires constant honing and funding. Example: STO/CCTs require regular Joint Terminal Attack Controller (JTAC) qualifications and certifications.

5.3.2. Additional authorized training. Refer to [Table 5.1](#) below.

**Table 5.1. Additional Authorized Training.**

Authorized Training Events	Frequency
Tactical driving/convoy	One Time
Tactical weapons	One Time
Direct action/Close Quarters Combat	One Time
Advanced Free Fall	One Time
Military tandem master	One Time
Canopy control	One Time
Vertical wind tunnel	One Time
Advanced diving	One Time
Static Line/Military Free Fall Jumpmaster	One Time
Mountaineering	One Time

## Chapter 6

### COMBAT RESCUE OFFICER/PARARESCUE TRAINING

**6.1. General.** CRO and PJ CAA personnel provide the theater combatant commanders with a credible and regionally focused capability. CRO/PJ CAAs assess, train, advise, and assist PN in all areas relating to personnel recovery (PR), search and rescue (SAR) and combat search and rescue (CSAR). Combat Aviation Advisor CRO/PJ personnel will accomplish combat mission ready (CMR) training IAW this instruction. AFSC specific training will be accomplished IAW AFI 10-3502, Vol 1, *Pararescue and Combat Rescue Officer Training* and AFSOC guidance.

**6.2. Qualifications.** All PJ personnel assigned as CAAs should possess a 7-skill level. CRO/PJ personnel will be trained to support global mission tasking and must maintain a high level of proficiency in tactics, techniques and procedures relating to CAA and Guardian Angel operations. In addition to standard CAA advisory training requirements stated in **Chapter 2** of this instruction, CRO/PJ personnel will maintain MR status IAW their CFETP and AFI 103502, Vol 1.

**6.3. Training.** CRO/PJ personnel assigned as CAAs will accomplish CAA qualification training IAW this instruction. CRO/PJ training should be structured to provide mission capability based on employment concepts identified in Joint Pub (JP) 3-50 *Personnel Recovery*; AFDD 3-50 *Personnel Recovery Operations*; AFDD 16-12, *Pararescue*, AFDD 3-05 *Special Operations*, Air Force Tactics Techniques and Procedures (AFTTP) 3-1.8 (Classified) and AFTTP 33. Guardian Angel, *Combat Aircraft Fundamentals-Guardian Angel*; the unit DOC statement; and approved unit METLs. The additional training of perishable skills requires continual training, resources and funding. PJ's will maintain appropriate emergency medical technician – paramedic (EMT-P) certification IAW AFSOCI 48-101, *Aeromedical Special Operations*. CRO/PJ medical training must have a physician medical director oversight. The physician medical director for the CRO/PJ should be the 6 SOS flight surgeon if the CRO/PJ is embedded in the 6 SOS or the respective Special Tactics Group Surgeon or squadron flight surgeon for the CRO/PJ CAA augmentee. Specific continuation training will require outside support for CRO/PJ personnel to keep qualification and proficiency in specialized tasks. (Example: Diving, RAMZ missions, Rescue Jumpmaster) Every effort should be made to meet the training in **Table 6.1**, as it will greatly enhance the skill set of all 6 SOS CRO/PJ personnel.

**Table 6.1. Authorized Training Events.**

<b>Authorized Training Events (For required training, reference AFI 10-3502, Vol 1)</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
PR 301	One-time
PR 303 Non-Conventional Assisted Recovery	One-time
Special Experience Identifier (SEI) course or equivalent	Annually
Swift Water Rescue Course	One-time
Direct Action Resource Center	One-time
International Training, Inc. DDD Instructor	One-time
Mid-South Shooting Course	One-time
JTM Training Group Advanced Tactical Medical Refresher	Every 2 years

<b>Authorized Training Events (For required training, reference AFI 10-3502, Vol 1)</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
Space Applications for Special Operations Course	One-time
Operational Emergency Medical Skills	One-time
ROCO Rescue	Every 2 years
PEAK Training	Annually
Modern Army Combatives Program (MACP) Level 1&2	One-time
Wilderness First Responder	One-time
Wind Tunnel Training	One-time
Complete Parachute Solutions	One-time

## Chapter 7

### FORCE PROTECTION TRAINING

**7.1. General.** Force Protection Combat Aviation Advisors (FPCAA) will complete all required mission readiness training in accordance with this instruction and comply with all training requirements identified within AFI 36-2646, *Security Forces Training and Standardization Evaluation Programs*, and AFSAWC operating instructions., and have a high level of competency in all tasks identified in the Force Protection METL.

**7.2. Training.** Training courses are designed to provide continuation training for skills and refinement of expertise. All training courses attended by FPCAA must improve METLs, constitute a training requirement, or fulfill a necessary task for an upcoming OAD deployment.

7.2.1. FPCAA will attend a minimum of one tactical and one technical training event annually. Tactical courses are designed to enhance combat skills while technical courses are designed to enhance knowledge in a given subject area. Required courses are listed in **Table 7.1**. Recommended, but optional courses are listed in **Table 7.2**.

7.2.2. Formal schools are the primary source of training for FPCAA. The secondary source is in-unit training using applicable formal school courseware administered by qualified FPCAA. Other methods of training may include US governmental agencies, contracted security agencies or partner nation on nonstandard tactics, techniques and procedures.

**7.3. Nonstandard Weapons Training.** The nonstandard weapons training program and associated weapons and equipment will be maintained by FPCAA or qualified designee. DOD nonstandard weapons systems are weapons not usually within the FPCAA inventory to include, but not limited to, the AK-47/AMD-65 assault rifle and variants, FN FAL assault rifle, GAU 5.56 assault rifle, H&K G3 7.62 assault rifle, FAMAS F1 7.62 assault rifle, CZ-75 pistol, Makarov pistol, and Browning high power pistol.

7.3.1. Nonstandard weapons familiarization training will be conducted annually covering the period of deployment, with specific instruction on weapons relevant to partner nation military inventory. Training should be accomplished through a squadron nonstandard weapons training program or an official DOD qualification/familiarization course.

7.3.2. If the desired specialized weapons courses are unavailable, FPCAA will participate in familiarization training with the partner nation country using their weapon system(s). This method is not recommended due to the resulting detriment to a FPCAA's credibility with the partner nation.

**7.4. Documentation.** FPCAA will ensure all training, copies of graduation certificates, diplomas, and certification credentials are maintained in each TBA journal.

**Table 7.1. Required Courses.**

<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Course ID</b>
Principles Of Instruction (or a hard "T" awarding course)	J3AZRTXXXX 0P1A
AF Force Protection Intelligence Formal Training Unit Course	AF FP IFTU
Protective Services Training	L5AZA3P071 0S0A
Government Training Institute (advanced route surveillance, tactical shooting, driving, team movements)	
Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Basic	

**Table 7.2. Recommended Courses.**

<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Course ID</b>
Basic Airborne Course	L9AZA1XXXX 0A1A
Airborne Jumpmaster	L9AZA1XXXX 0A0A
Wilderness Medicine	
Pathfinder	L5ASA1C451 0T0A
Technical Rope Course	

## Chapter 8

### SURVIVAL, EVASION, RESISTANCE, AND ESCAPE TRAINING

**8.1. General.** Combat Aviation Advisory SERE (CAASERE) personnel will accomplish MR training IAW this instruction. SERE specific training will be accomplished IAW AFI 16-1301, *Survival Evasion Resistance and Escape (SERE) Program*. Required training is outlined in **Table 8.1**, SERE Training Authorizations. Every effort should be made to meet the training in **Table 8.1**, as it the core skill set of CAASERE personnel.

**8.2. Qualifications.** SERE specialists assigned as CAAs must possess a 7-level within their AFSC. Personnel will be trained to support global taskings and will maintain a high level of proficiency in SERE and PR TTP. In addition to standard CAA training requirements, CAASERE will maintain global core task qualification IAW the SERE CFETP, Workcenter JQS/797, *Job Qualification Standard Continuation/Command Joint Qualification Standard (JQS)*, and AF Form 1098, *Special Task Certification and Recurring Training*.

8.2.1. Qualification/Currency. Functional qualification for deployed mission requirements will be determined by the CAASERE functional representative IAW CAA METLs and other unit requirements as applicable. Failure to maintain qualification IAW CAA METLs or the 1T0X1 CFETP will require review and requalification IAW standard Enlisted Training Standard procedures. Loss of currency does not constitute lack of qualification except in cases of demonstrated inability to perform a task. Recurrency will be conducted IAW standard Enlisted Training Standard procedures.

**Table 8.1. SERE Training Authorizations.**

Authorized Training Events (For required training, reference AFI 16-1301)	Frequency
SERE 250F	One-time
PR 271	One-time
PR 301	One-time
Rescue Three Rope Course Or Equivalent	Biennial
Tracking/Counter Tracking Course***	One-time
Level-C Full-Spectrum Of Captivity Instructor Training	One-time
Static Line Jumpmaster	One-time
Military Free Fall	One-time
Military Free Fall Jumpmaster	One-time
Rescue Jumpmaster	As available
Space Applications For Special Operations Course***	One-time
Military Dive School***	One-time

<b>Authorized Training Events (For required training, reference AFI 16-1301)</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
EMT Basic ***	One-time
PR 303 Non-Conventional Assisted Recovery ***	One-time
MACP Level III & IV***	One-time
SERE 245	One-time
Wilderness First Responder	One-time
Swiftwater Rescue Course	One-time
Wind Tunnel Training	Annually
Biome Specific Training	Annually
Life Guard Training	Biennial
SERE 225	One-time
<b>Notes:</b> *** Course is recommended, but not required	

## Chapter 9

### MEDICAL TRAINING

**9.1. Combat Aviation Medical Specialists.** Combat aviation medical specialist training will be accomplished in accordance with AFSOCI 48-101, *Aeromedical Special Operations*, AFSOC Medical Concept of Operations (15 June 2009), Chapter 4, Training for AFSOC Operations FFQE6, and assigned tasks as outlined within respective CFETPs, Readiness Skills Verification.

**9.2. Credentials.** Flight Surgeons and physician assistants will maintain credentials IAW 96th Medical Group (MDG) credentials office.

9.2.1. Independent Duty Medical Technicians (IDMTs) will maintain certification through AFSOC Surgeon General designated Chief of Medical Services and HQ AFSOC IDMT coordinator.

**9.3. General.** Medical CAA personnel provide the theater combatant commanders with a credible and regionally focused capability. Medical CAAs assess, train, advise, and assist PN in areas relating to aerospace medicine, casualty evacuation (CASEVAC), stability of operations along with advanced battlefield trauma care.

**9.4. Advisor Training Policy.** International Health Specialists assigned as CAAs will accomplish Combat Aviation Advisor Qualification Training IAW this instruction.

**9.5. Recommended Training.** Training that is based on, improves, or required to conduct METLs for the CAA mission set is recommended to enhance CAA medical education and operational experience. See **Table 9.1**.

**Table 9.1. Recommended Training.**

Critical Care Paramedic course
Army Medical Evacuation (MEDEVAC)/Joint Expeditionary Care Course (JECC)
Army Expert Field Medical Course (EFMB)
Technical Rope Course
Swift Water Rescue Technician Course
Wilderness/Tropical Medicine Course
Global Medicine Course

## Chapter 10

### INTELLIGENCE TRAINING

**10.1. General.** Intelligence CAA personnel will complete assigned training as outlined in this document, unit-specific intelligence operating instructions, pertinent AFIs, and respective CFETP.

**10.2. Qualifications.** Applicants should have experience working unit-level intelligence support. Enlisted candidates must be a 7-level in their specialty.

#### 10.3. Training.

10.3.1. Required Training. Intelligence CAAs will comply with unit-specific intelligence training requirements. Intelligence CAAs will complete all necessary mission qualification training items before being considered mission ready. Required courses are listed in **Table 10.1**. Recommended, but optional courses are listed in **Table 10.2**.

**Table 10.1. Required Training.**

<b>Training Course</b>
Regional Expertise (e.g., USAFSOS regional orientation courses)
Defense Strategic Debriefing Course
SV-80
AFSOC Intelligence Formal Training Unit
Force Protection Intelligence Formal Training Unit
Dynamics of International Terrorism & Responsible Officers Course
<b>Note:</b> No specific vendor or course number is required. Equivalent courses may be substituted in most cases.

**Table 10.2. Recommended Training.**

Geographic & Information Systems (GI&S)
Portable Flight Planning Software (PFPS) Intermediate or Advanced Course
Cyber/Electronic Security

## Chapter 11

### AIR TRANSPORTATION SPECIALIST TRAINING (RIGGER)

**11.1. General.** Combat Aviation Advisor Air Transportation Specialists (CAAATS) are required to advise and assist foreign nationals on the employment of cargo, passengers, airdrop platforms, parachutes, and other related aerial delivery equipment on a variety of aircraft in a tactical environment, and often on aircraft and equipment that are not in the USAF inventory.

**11.2. Training Policy (Air Transportation Specialist).** For all related career field air transportation specialist (2T2X1) training requirements and courses offered see CFETP 2T2X1, “Air Transportation Specialty”. CAAATS will be certified in the following courses: Hazardous Material Preparer, Air Mobility Command (AMC) Affiliation Course, and Intermediate Wartime Contingency Course. Authorized, but not required, training is outlined in **Table 11.1**, Air Transportation Training Authorizations. Effort should be made to meet the training in **Table 11.1**, as it will greatly enhance the skill set of rigger personnel. **Note:** See CFETP for course code and location of training.

**Table 11.1. Air Transportation Training Authorizations.**

Training Courses	Frequency
Hazardous Materiel (HAZMAT) Preparer (Ft. Lee, VA)	Bi-Annually
Joint Inspector Course	Bi-Annually
Joint Inspector Instructor Course (Ft. Dix, NJ)	One Time
Contingency Load Planning Instructor Course	One Time
Joint Airdrop Inspector Course (Ft. Lee, VA)	Annually
Parachute Rigger Course (Ft. Lee, VA)***	One Time
C-17 Aerial Port Expeditor (APEX) (Charleston, S.C.)	One Time
C-5 APEX (Travis AFB, CA)	One Time
Joint Precision Airdrop System (JPADS)	One Time
Aerial Port Operations Course (APOC)	One Time
Management of Aerial Port Ops (MAPOC)	One Time
25K Loader Train the Trainer (Dover AFB)	One Time
60K Tunner Operator/Instructor Course (Dover AFB)	One Time
Sling Load Inspector (Ft. Lee, VA)	One Time
Pathfinder (Ft. Benning, GA)	One Time
Basic Airborne Course (Ft. Benning, GA)	One Time
<b>Note:</b> No specific vendor or course number is required. Equivalent courses may be substituted in most cases.	
*** Loadmasters are authorized to attend this course IAW AFI 13-210.	

11.2.1. Additional Training. Rigger certified personnel will attend the Sling Load Inspector Certification Course at Ft. Lee, VA., or any similar course to be certified for the preparation,

rigging, and inspection of loads using the applicable Sling Load technical orders (TO). Rigger certified personnel will be drop zone control officer (DZCO) qualified and will be trained by a qualified DZCO IAW with AFI 13-217, *Drop Zone and Landing Zone Operations*. The Pathfinder Course at Ft. Benning is a suitable substitute for initial qualification but recurring training will be accomplished by a qualified DZCO.

11.2.2. Non-USAF Inventory Aircraft. All onload/offload, tie-down, load weight and balance procedures will be initiated and signed off by a qualified/certified loadmaster in the pertinent airframe. If a loadmaster is not available, courses related to specific airframe will be attended, unless in-unit training is available.

**11.3. Documentation.** All training will be documented IAW CFETP 2T2X1 guidance. Training completed at the above certificated schools will be annotated in the TBA journal, stating that the above training was attended. MR training will be tracked IAW this instruction.

## Chapter 12

### COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING

#### **12.1. General.** The special operations communications specialist:

12.1.1. Employs conventional and unconventional warfare tactics and techniques in communications.

12.1.2. Trains and maintains proficiency in all major duties - organizes, trains, assesses, assists and supervises indigenous and allied personnel in the installation, utilization, operation, and interoperability of radio equipment, radio nets, and antenna systems.

12.1.3. Maintains proficiency in the equipment and instruction of installation, operation and employment of high frequency (HF), very high frequency (VHF), and ultra-high frequency (UHF) radio communication systems. Also, maintains proficiency in the equipment and instruction of installation, operation, and employment of deployable nonsecure internet protocol router (NIPR)/secure internet protocol router (SIPR) terminals.

12.1.4. Is responsible for the establishment and maintenance of detachment tactical and operational communications and communication equipment.

12.1.5. Plans, prepares and assists in the communications targets portion of the area study, prepares and assists in briefings, brief backs and debriefings.

12.1.6. Supervises the communication functions when in split detachment configuration for special operations or missions.

12.1.7. Advises the detachment commander on all communications matters.

#### **12.2. Qualifications.**

12.2.1. Completed 7-level Air Force specialty training.

**12.3. Communications (Comm) CAA.** Comm CAAs are responsible for all deployed team communications to include secure and nonsecure data/voice communications. Comm CAAs are also responsible for the integration of communications between the CAA team, other service advisory teams, and the partner nation teams. Comm CAAs prepare the communications electronics portion of operations orders, and does area studies and assessments. Additionally, the Comm CAA is responsible for theater communications electronics operating instruction (CEOI) extract for area of operations. This includes frequency requests and CEOI inputs for specific theater of operations.

**12.4. Training Policy.** Training programs will be established for all communications equipment and selected advisors will be qualified on current communications capabilities. These selected advisors will be able to instruct basic courses on equipment installation, operation, and proper handling with regard to security.

**12.5. Qualification/Currency.** Currency will be maintained and documented on Workcenter JQS/797. All training will be based on unit specific core communications tasks. Knowledge is mandatory of:

12.5.1. Functions and operation of fixed and tactical radio and satellite transmitters, receivers, transceivers, remote control units, control consoles, and terminal equipment.

- 12.5.2. Basic theory and type of fixed and tactical line-of-sight and satellite antennas.
- 12.5.3. Operation of voice and data encryption and decryption equipment.
- 12.5.4. Worldwide communications systems.
- 12.5.5. Radio operations procedures.
- 12.5.6. Emergency and distress procedures.
- 12.5.7. Communications and operations security policies, directives, programming, procedures, and equipment.
- 12.5.8. Recognizing and reporting signal interference.
- 12.5.9. SIPR network terminal operations.

**12.6. Formal and Informal Training.** Formal and Informal training will be evaluated by the communications functional manager and flight leadership for functionality and practicality. Training available to Comm CAA is based on mission requirements and availability. The list of courses below is not all inclusive or mandatory and subject to change as technology evolves.

- 12.6.1. Tactical Satellite Communications course.
- 12.6.2. Various HF/VHF/UHF radio operations and maintenance course.
- 12.6.3. Inter- and intra-team communications.
- 12.6.4. Internet/cyber security.
- 12.6.5. Fixed/tactical/expedient antenna systems.
- 12.6.6. DoDD 8570 courses/certifications
- 12.6.7. Tagging, Tracking, and Locating (TTL) and Friendly Forces Tracking (FFT) devices.
- 12.6.8. Worldwide Secure Anonymous Communications Training.
- 12.6.9. Electronic Force Protection training.
- 12.6.10. Space Applications for Special Operations Course (SASOC).

**12.7. Training Requirements.** Training will be conducted IAW current applicable CFETP, Workcenter JQS/797, broken down into specific tasks required for the Comm NCO to perform duties unique to the combat aviation advisory mission. Some Comm CAAs may be tasked for these duties. The Workcenter JQS/797 will reflect duties and responsibilities that are added to the core tasks required for the Comm NCO. Major duties may include the following:

- 12.7.1. COMSEC custodian.
- 12.7.2. Equipment custodian.
- 12.7.3. Spectrum manager.
- 12.7.4. Mission planner (communications and mission).

## Chapter 13

### LOGISTICS TRAINING

**13.1. General.** Logistics CAAs are logistic planners and supply personnel and are required to assess, instruct, advise and assist foreign nationals on the sustainment and support of a variety of weapons systems and equipment, in a tactical environment, and often on standard and nonstandard weapons systems and equipment as required in-direct support of OAD teams. The CAA logistics program is designed to prepare an experienced, mature CAA to achieve and maintain the required level and type of expertise to operate successfully and safely in the logistics CAA environment.

13.1.1. Additional Training Requirements. CAA logistics planners and supply personnel are required to comply with the additional training outlined in **Table 13.1** to ensure mission completion in the direct support of OAD operations.

13.1.2. Upon completing MR requirements IAW **Chapter 2** of this instruction, logistics advisors will be considered MR for logistics duties.

#### **13.2. Training Policy:**

13.2.1. Core tasks are tasks the Air Force Career Field Manager (AFCFM) identify as minimum qualification requirements for everyone within an Air Force Specialty Code regardless of duty position. Additionally, the TBA journal is annotated for enlisted members. Core task listing can be found in the master training plan.

13.2.2. Due to the integral part funding plays within logistics, evaluating a partner nation's logistics capability heavily involves the assessment of FMS cases. DISAM training enables the supply personnel to accurately interpret, plan and execute logistics assistance to operations without violating federal laws.

13.2.3. Typically when performing support duties for OADs, logistic planners and supply personnel are subjected to higher threat levels amidst supply run times variations and location changes for acquisitions of expendables during missions. MR and CE&T training alleviate that risk.

**Table 13.1. Logistics Training.**

<b>Training Course</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
Contingency War Planners Course	One Time
Joint Course on Logistics	One Time
Joint Planning Course (JPPOC)	One Time
Site Survey Course	One Time

## Chapter 14

### AIRCREW FLIGHT EQUIPMENT TRAINING

**14.1. General.** AFE CAAs (CAAAFE) are required to assess, instruct, advise and assist foreign nationals on the employment, sustainment and operation of life sustaining and emergency egress equipment, survival items and NVG's on a variety of aircraft, in a tactical environment, and often on aircraft and equipment that are not in the USAF inventory. The CAAAFE training program is designed to prepare an experienced, mature AFE technician to achieve and maintain the required level and type of expertise to operate successfully and safely.

#### 14.2. AFE Technician Training Policy.

14.2.1. All AFE technicians are required to stay qualified and proficient at the 7 skill level to inspect, maintain, and instruct on both fixed wing and rotary wing equipment. Additionally, courses listed in **Table 14.1** are required for an AFE technician to be fully mission qualified as an AFE CAA. Courses listed in **Table 14.2** are recommended for further advancement of the AFE CAA skill-set.

#### 14.3. Master Training Plan.

14.3.1. The AFCFM will identify as minimum qualification requirements for everyone within an AFSC regardless of duty position. Core task training for AFE technicians is not required if the training capability does not exist in the assigned unit. If the training capability resides in another unit at the same base, but not within the same operations group, the superintendent and work center supervisors are authorized to waive these core tasks locally and must be identified in the unit's master training plan. Additionally, the TBA journal is annotated. Core task listing can be found in the master training plan.

14.3.2. Duty position tasks are tasks assigned to an individual for the position currently held. These include as a minimum all core tasks that correspond with the duty position, tasks assigned by the supervisor and tasks outlined in the CAA CJQS.

**Table 14.1. Required Courses.**

Course Title	Course ID
Combat Survival Training	S-V80-A
S-V86-A Water Survival, Parachuting and/or S-V90-A Water Survival Non-Parachuting	S-V86-A and/or S-V90-A
Basic Soldering Techniques	J4AMP30000 AS0A
Parachute Rigger Course (Ft. Lee, VA)	L9AZA2T251
Altitude Chamber	
ACC Classroom Instructor Course	3J5ACC3S200 000
AFE Program Managers Course	3J5ACC1P0X1 000
Life Sciences Equipment Investigation	J3AZR1P071 0L1A

Course Title	Course ID
Static Line Parachute Systems	J3AZR1P051 0M1A
Ram Air Parachute Systems	J3AZR1P051 0R1A
USAF Night Vision Goggle Academic Instructor Course	NVGAIC

**Table 14.2. Recommended Courses.**

Course Title	Course ID
FAA Senior Rigger	N/A
FAA Master Rigger	N/A
Airdrop Specialist	L9AZA2T251 00AA
High Reliability Soldering	E3AZR3DXXX 00DA
Space Applications for Special Operations	SOED-SASOC
Underwater Egress	S-V84-A
Arctic Survival	S-V87-A
Airborne Parachutist	L9AZA1XXXX 0A1A
Airborne Jumpmaster	L9AZA1XXXX 0A0A
Military Free Fall Parachutist	L9AQA1XXXX 0F1A
Military Free Fall Jumpmaster	L9AZA1XXXX 1J0A
Oxygen Regulator Maintenance (Cobham Life Support Group)	N/A
NVG Maintenance (Night Flight Concepts)	N/A
Pathfinder Course (to qualify AFE & LM to conduct DZ/LZ surveys)	

## Chapter 15

### TRAINING RECORDS

**15.1. General.** The primary purpose for maintaining training records is to accurately track and control unit members' training, whether it is training on a certain engine type for a maintenance member, weapons training for a security forces member or primary combat aviation advisor mission qualification training. Accurate documentation will ensure the member completes scheduled training in a timely and efficient manner. Accurate documentation also helps management assess mission capability and readiness. The specific type of training records to be maintained for each member will be determined by mandated guidance, duty position and AFSC.

15.1.1. All personnel performing CAA duties will utilize the CAA CJQS for mission qualification training regardless of rank, AFSC, or aircrew status in conjunction with an TBA journal folder.

15.1.1.1. IAW AFI 36-2201, supervisors for all enlisted personnel will conduct both an Initial Orientation and an Initial Evaluation on personnel 60 days upon arrival to the unit. These will be documented and filed in each enlisted Combat Aviation Advisors TBA journal unless AFSC specific training records are automated.

15.1.1.2. The TBA journal is not taken during CAA specific mission deployments due to sanitized environment conditions. During these instances records will continue to be maintained within the unit training office.

**15.2. Non-Aircrew Training Records.** All CAAs will have their training accomplished and documented utilizing the training forms listed in AFI 36-2201.

15.2.1. Non-USAF Training Documentation. Training records from the provider may be used if they fulfill unit requirements. Unit training will retain AF Forms 4109, *SOF/CSAR Aircrew Training Record*, other US training folders, FAA or contract training folders, and PN provided training folders for the entire time of the member's assignment to the unit in the member's CAA/Training Records.

15.2.1.1. When a unit member receives training in a non-USAF school, the individual must provide documentation of training to unit training. This documentation should include copies of certificates of training and any other form of documentation received.

15.2.1.1.1. These copies will then be transferred and/or maintained in the TBA journal.

15.2.2. Supervisory Review Process. Prior to the flight training cycles, flight commanders and immediate supervisors should review training folders of personnel under their supervision. The unit functional manager of each specific career field is responsible for conducting periodic reviews of the training folders of all personnel in that same career field.

**15.3. Aircrew Flying Training Records.** Aircrew flying training records will be maintained IAW AFSOCI 11-219, Vol 1, or the AFI 11-2MDS, Vol 1, series. CAA specific training records will be maintained IAW AFI 36-2201. Civilian certifications and qualifications will be annotated on the aircrew members AF Form 4348, IAW 11-202, Vol 2.

15.3.1. Supplementary Aircraft. IAW AFSOCI 11-219, Vol 1.

15.3.1.1. Non-USAF Training Documentation. Training records from the provider may be used if they fulfill unit requirements. Unit training will retain AF Forms 4109, other US training folders, FAA or contract training folders, and PN provided training folders for the entire time of the member's assignment to the unit in the member's CAA/Training Records.

15.3.1.2. When a unit member receives training in a non-USAF school, the individual must provide documentation of training to unit training. This documentation should include copies of certificates of training and any other form of documentation received.

15.3.1.2.1. These copies will then be transferred to the TBA journal.

15.3.2. Supervisory Review Process. Flight commanders and immediate supervisors should review training folders of personnel under their supervision. The functional manager of a specific career field is responsible for conducting periodic reviews of the training folders of the personnel in that same career field.

**15.4. CAA Training Records.** These folders should consist of the following materials:

15.4.1. TBA journal.

15.4.2. Career Field Education and Training Plan (enlisted up to TSgt).

15.4.3. Workcenter JQS/797, *Job Qualification Standard* (if applicable).

15.4.4. CAA Command Job Qualification Standard.

15.4.5. Initial Orientation Checklist (TBA journal entry for enlisted only).

15.4.6. Initial Evaluation Checklist (TBA journal entry for enlisted only).

15.4.7. AF Form 803, *Report of Task Evaluations/ Supervised Deployment Checklist*.

15.4.8. Training Certificates.

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### ***Abbreviations and Acronyms***

**ADO**—Assistant Operations Officer

**ADSC**—Active Duty Service Commitment

**AFCFM**—Air Force Career Field Manager

**AFDD**—Air Force Doctrine Document

**AFE**—Aircrew Flight Equipment

**AFI**—Air Force Instruction

**AvFID**—Aviation Foreign Internal Defense

**AFPD**—Air Force Policy Directive

**AFMAN**—Air Force Manual  
**AFRC**—Air Force Reserve Command  
**AFRIMS**—Air Force Records Information Management System  
**AFSC**—Air Force Specialty Code  
**AFSOC**—Air Force Special Operations Command  
**AFSOAWC**—Air Force Special Operations Air Warfare Center  
**AFSOAWC/CC**—Commander, Air Force Special Operations Air Warfare Center  
**AFTTP**—Air Force Tactics, Techniques, and Procedures  
**AMC**—Air Mobility Command  
**AMT**—Aviation Maintenance Technicians  
**ANG**—Air National Guard  
**APEX**—Aerial Port Expeditor  
**APG**—Aircraft General  
**A&P**—Airframe and Powerplant  
**APOC**—Aerial Port Operations Course  
**ARMS**—Aviation Resource Management Systems  
**AT/FP**—Antiterrorism/Force Protection  
**ATW**—Advanced Tactical Weapons  
**AWT**—Advanced Weapons Training  
**C2**—Command and Control  
**CAA**—Combat Aviation Advisor  
**CAAEE**—Combat Aviation Advisor Enabler  
**CAAAFE**—Combat Aviation Advisor Aircrew Flight Equipment  
**CAAATS**—Combat Aviation Advisor Air Transportation Specialists  
**CAAMP**—Combat Aviation Advisor Maintenance Personnel  
**CAAMQC**—Combat Aviation Advisor Mission Qualification Course  
**CAASERE**—Combat Aviation Advisor Survival, Evasion, Resistance, and Escape  
**CAS**—Close Air Support  
**CASEVAC**—Casualty Evacuation  
**CCT**—Combat Control  
**CCO**—Close Combat Optic  
**CEOI**—Communications Electronics Operating Instruction

**CE&T**—Continuing Education and Training  
**CFETP**—Career Field Education and Training Plan  
**CFF**—Call for Fire  
**CJQS**—Command Job Qualification Standard  
**CMR**—Combat Mission Ready  
**COIN**—Counterinsurgency  
**COMM**—Communications  
**COMSEC**—Communications Security  
**CRO**—Combat Rescue Officer  
**CSAR**—Combat Search and Rescue  
**CUT**—Cross Utilization Training  
**DDD**—Dynamic Defensive Driving  
**DISAM**—Defense Institute for Security Assistance Management Training  
**DIT**—Dynamics of International Terrorism  
**DLAB**—Defense Language Aptitude Battery  
**DLPT**—Defense Language Proficiency Test  
**DO**—Operations Officer  
**DOC**—Design Operational Capabilities  
**DOD**—Department of Defense  
**DOS**—Department of State  
**DZ**—Drop Zone  
**DZCO**—Drop Zone Control Officer  
**EFMB**—Expert Field Medical Course  
**EMT**—Emergency Medical Technician  
**EMT—P**—Emergency Medical Technician – Paramedic  
**EXFIL**—Exfiltration  
**FAA**—Federal Aviation Administration  
**FAR**—Federal Aviation Regulation  
**FFT**—Friendly Forces Tracking  
**FID**—Foreign Internal Defense  
**FMS**—Foreign Military Sales  
**FP**—Force Protection

**FPCAA**—Force Protection Combat Aviation Advisor  
**FTX**—Field Training Exercise  
**FW**—Fixed wing  
**GI&S**—Geographic & Information Systems  
**GPS**—Global Positioning System  
**HAZMAT**—Hazardous Materiel  
**HF**—High Frequency  
**HMMWV**—High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle  
**IAT**—Initial Acquisition Training  
**IAW**—In Accordance With  
**ICSOFF**—Intercultural Competence for Special Operations Forces  
**IDMT**—Independent Duty Medical Technician  
**IFID**—Insurgency and Foreign Internal Defense  
**ILR**—Interagency Language Roundtable  
**INFIL**—Infiltration  
**ISR**—Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance  
**IW**—Irregular Warfare  
**JCET**—Joint, Combined Exchange Training (aka Joint and Multinational Exercise)  
**JECC**—Joint Expeditionary Care Course  
**JP**—Joint Pub  
**JPADS**—Joint Precision Airdrop System  
**JQS**—Joint Qualification Standard  
**JTAC**—Joint Terminal Attack Controller  
**LET**—Live Environment Training  
**LMTV**—Light Medium Tactical Vehicle  
**LZ**—Landing Zone  
**MACP**—Modern Army Combatives Program  
**MAPOC**—Management of Aerial Port Ops  
**MC**—Mission Commander  
**MCC**—Mission Commander Course  
**MCTOW**—Maximum Certified Takeoff Weight  
**MDH**—Maintenance Duty Hour

**MDMP**—Military Decision Making Process  
**MDS**—Mission Design Series  
**MEDEVAC**—Medical Evacuation  
**METL**—Mission-Essential Task List  
**MISCAP**—Mission Capabilities Statement  
**MPF**—Military Personnel Flight  
**MR**—Mission Ready  
**NCO**—Non-Commissioned Officer  
**NIPR**—Non-Secure Internet Protocol Router  
**NVG**—Night Vision Goggles  
**NSA**—Nonstandard Aircraft  
**OAD or OAD-B**—A or OAD-B—Operational Aviation Detachment  
**OI**—Operating Instruction  
**OPE**—Operational Preparation of the Environment  
**OPI**—Oral Proficiency Interview  
**OPLAN**—Operational Plans  
**OPR**—Office of Primary Responsibility  
**OPORD**—Operational Orders  
**OPSEC**—Operations Security  
**OSI**—Office of Special Investigations  
**PA**—Physician’s Assistant  
**PFPS**—Portable Flight Planning System  
**PJ**—Pararescue  
**PN**—Partner Nation  
**PR**—Personnel Recovery  
**RAMZ**—Rigged Alternate Method Zodiac  
**RDS**—Records Disposition Schedule  
**ROC**—Responsible Officers Course  
**SA**—Security Assistance  
**SASOC**—Space Applications for Special Operations Course  
**SEI**—Special Experience Identifier  
**SERE**—Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape

**SAR**—Search and Rescue  
**SF**—Security Forces  
**SFA**—Security Force Assistance  
**SG**—Surgeon General  
**SIPR**—Secure Internet Protocol Router  
**SOCTS**—Special Operations Combat Training Squadron  
**SOF**—Special Operations Forces  
**SPECAT**—Special Category  
**Sq**—Squadron  
**Sq/CC**—Squadron Commander  
**ST**—Special Tactics  
**STO**—Special Tactics Officer  
**TCCC**—Tactical Combat Casualty Care  
**TFP**—Tactical Force Protection  
**TO**—Technical Orders  
**TOMS**—Tactical Operations Medical Simulation  
**TS**—Team Sergeant  
**TTL**—Tagging, Tracking, and Locating  
**TTP**—Tactics, Techniques, and Procedures  
**UHF**—Ultrahigh Frequency  
**ULM**—Unit Language Monitor  
**USAF**—United States Air Force  
**USAFSOS**—United States Air Force Special Operations School  
**USSOCOM**—United States Special Operations Command  
**UW**—Unconventional Warfare  
**VHF**—Very High Frequency

### *Terms*

**Advising**—Advisory assistance (advising), as applied to the CAA mission, is provided to foreign aviation units, US combatant commands, and other US agencies, and is conducted within the context of specific times, places, and situations. It includes such product subsets as the development and use of airpower doctrine; i.e., how to employ airpower (as opposed to how to operate airplanes), force planning, operational sustainment methods, basing concepts, tactical employment, and C4 development for specific times, places, and situations.

**Advisory Mission Ready**—Combat Aviation Advisors are considered MR after achieving MR training requirements. Additionally, aircrew members must be mission capable in their primary aircraft to be MR as a combat aviation advisor.

**Air Force Specialty Code (AFSC)**—An alpha-numeric code which identifies an individual's duties.

**Aviation Foreign Internal Defense (AvFID or Aviation-FID)**—FID is defined in JP 102, *DOD Dictionary of Military and Associated Terms*, as “participation by civilian and military agencies of a government in any of the action programs taken by another government to free and protect their societies from subversion, lawlessness, and insurgency.” It is a joint, interagency activity involving the total political, economic, informational, and military assistance the United States provides to help host governments deal with internal threats and crises. AvFID focuses on advisory assistance and training aimed at helping partner nations develop or improve their ability to employ and sustain aviation resources. Mission specific subjects include air doctrine, operational planning, command and control, tactics, airbase defense, air-ground operations, and combat search and rescue.

**Augmenter**—A person external to the unit who provides a specific skill not organic to the unit.

**Coalition Support**—Actions taken to facilitate the cooperation, coordination, and integration of US and foreign military forces during combined operations supporting mutual campaign objectives. Includes training and advising coalition partners on tactics, techniques, and procedures promoting combat effectiveness, safety, and interoperability.

**Counterinsurgency (COIN)**—Those military, paramilitary, political, economic, psychological, and civic actions taken by a government to defeat insurgency.

**Designated Augmenter**—See Augmenter. A designated augmenter is someone permanently identified by the wing to provide certain skills not possessed within the unit; such as a communications specialist, Office of Special Investigations (OSI), IDMT, Physician's Assistant (PA), or flight surgeon. These individuals, once identified, will receive specialized training, which will enable them to deploy with an OAD-A/B.

**Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)**—The United States organization responsible for governing all aspects of United States civil and military aviation.

**Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR)**—Regulations governing all aspects of United States civil and military aviation.

**FAA Designated Examiner**—A person who is not an FAA employee but who is authorized to administer flight evaluations on behalf of the FAA in accordance with the FARs.

**FAA Inspector**—An FAA employee authorized to administer flight evaluations in accordance with the FARs.

**Language Proficient**—Personnel who have achieved a DLPT score within the past 12 months equal to or higher than that required by this instruction.

**Language Skilled**—Personnel who have demonstrated an ability to communicate in a foreign language at any recognized ILR proficiency level regardless of acquisition method.

**Mission Ready**—Individual is considered fully deployable as part of a team.

**Mission Ready (Aviator)**—Aircrew members fully qualified and current to perform the mission of the aircraft assigned. See Advisory Mission Ready.

**Maximum Certified Takeoff Weight (MCTOW)**—The maximum weight for which the FAA certifies an aircraft to takeoff (FAR).

**Mission Essential Task List**—List of tasks considered essential to accomplishment of a unit's mission. The METL establishes the specific focus of unit training; i.e., the unit trains to the METL to prepare for execution of its mission.

**Mission Capable Aircrew Members**—Aircrew member qualified and current to perform some portion of the mission of the aircraft assigned, but who does not maintain MR status. Aircrew members will complete all basic currency requirements and 50% of the mission currency requirements.

**Multiple Qualification**—A crew member who is qualified in more than one MDS/aircraft.

**Operational Aviation Detachment - A (OAD-A)**—The basic deployment team for aviation advisory operations. Each team is organized to address the aviation-advisory requirements for its theater; however, teams may be specially tailored in both size and composition to meet specific mission needs.

**Operational Aviation Detachment - B (OAD-B)**—The command and control team. When multiple OAD-A's are deployed into the field, an OAD-B is also deployed as a headquarters, C3, and administrative support element. These team may also be tailored to meet specific mission needs.

**Partner Nation**—For the purposes of this instruction, a foreign nation with which the AFID units performs training and advisory duties. Does not refer to a nation such as United Kingdom or Canada where contract training may be conducted.

**Primary Aircraft**—A primary aircraft, as applies to this operating instruction, must be a USAF aircraft and is an aircrew member's aircraft of expertise. The unit operations officer designates the aircrew member's primary aircraft.

**Standard Aircraft**—Standard Aircraft are those listed as part of the USAF inventory.

**Supplementary Aircraft**—Nonstandard aircraft which are not part of the USAF inventory and leased or used for less than 6 months, and not maintained locally. CAA aircrews often receive training on these aircraft off-station. The training instructions for these aircraft are listed in [Chapter 3](#) of this instruction.

**Unconventional Warfare**—“A broad spectrum of military and paramilitary operations, normally of long duration, predominantly conducted by indigenous or surrogate forces who are organized, trained, equipped, supported, and directed in varying degrees by an external source. It includes guerrilla warfare and other direct offensive, low visibility, covert, or clandestine operations, as well as the indirect activities of subversion, sabotage, intelligence activities, and evasion and escape.” Joint Pub 1-02.

**Attachment 2**

**COMBAT AVIATION ADVISOR**

**COMMAND JOB QUALIFICATION STANDARD**

**A2.1.** On file at AFSAWC/A3T.

**Attachment 3****INITIAL CAA SUPERVISED DEPLOYMENT QUALIFICATION PACKAGE****Figure A3.1. Initial CAA Supervised Deployment Qualification Package (Page 1 of 4).****INITIAL CAA  
SUPERVISED DEPLOYMENT  
QUALIFICATION PACKAGE****PERSONAL DATA  
PRIVACY ACT OF 1974  
(5U.S.C.552A)  
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**Figure A3.1. Initial CAA Supervised Deployment Qualification Package (Page 2 of 4).**

**Initial CAA Qualification**

**SUPERVISED DEPLOYMENT CHECKLIST**

**Trainee:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Instructor:** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>1. <u>Pre-deployment</u></b>	<u>Initials/Date</u>
a. All USAF mobility requirements complete (not waiverable). Verify completion with DOXM.	_____
b. All Level-1 mission-ready requirements complete (waiverable). Verify completion with unit training manager.	_____
c. Level-1 mission-ready requirements that are waived.	_____
d. Waiver Letters completed and on file with mission commander.	_____
e. Team train-up requirements.	
(1) Explain 6 SOS planning process and regional strat plan.	_____
(2) Field training exercise (FTX).	_____
(3) Weapons/personal protection procedures.	_____
(4) Communications/vehicle/support equipment operation.	_____
(5) Specialized aircraft and weapon systems.	_____
f. Pre-deployment briefings.	
(1) Team Leader briefing.	_____
(2) Operating Instruction review (AFSOC/1 OG/1 SOW/6 SOS)	_____
(3) Intelligence.	_____
(4) Foreign Disclosure.	_____
(5) Force protection.	_____
(6) E & R.	_____
(7) Medical.	_____
(8) Legal.	_____
g. Programs of Instruction (POI).	
(1) POIs reviewed.	_____
(2) Lesson plans completed.	_____
(3) Training aids, publications, etc completed.	_____

Figure A3.1. Initial CAA Supervised Deployment Qualification Package (Page 3 of 4).

2. **Pre-engagement.**

(After arrival in country, but prior to actual engagement with foreign aviation forces)

- a. AMEMB in-country rules of engagement (ROE) briefed. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Review team E & R plan on file with SOC and AMEMB. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Attend SOC, AMEMB, and PN in briefs. \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Engagement.**

- a. Observe supervisor interaction with foreign aviation counterparts. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Over-the-shoulder observation and critique by the supervisor. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Supervised “walkthrough” of applicable check list items. \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Observation/critique of personal-protection principles and methods. \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Daily hot wash and critique.
  - (1) Close of business recap of day’s events. \_\_\_\_\_
  - (2) Evaluate individual’s interaction with the PN counterpart. \_\_\_\_\_
  - (3) Instruct/advise on types/amount of “feedback” to give team leader. \_\_\_\_\_
  - (4) Discuss individual actions in relationship to the overall mission strategy and goals. Develop a “feel” for status and direction of overall mission. \_\_\_\_\_
  - (5) Cover reporting procedures (Callback on arrival, SITREPs, etc). \_\_\_\_\_
- f. Ability to work effectively as a integral part of a CAA team. \_\_\_\_\_

4. **Redeployment and Recovery.**

- a. Organize and execute pack-up and departure procedures. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Prepare mission after action and debriefing inputs. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Unpack and turn-in of squadron equipment prior to going home. \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Attend mission debriefing/hot wash at squadron. \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Solicit any and all feedback on unit processes/training/tactics. \_\_\_\_\_
- f. Turn in to DO for review and initials. \_\_\_\_\_



Attachment 4

MISSION COMMANDER UPDGRADE OVERPRINT

Figure A4.1. Mission Commander Upgrade Overprint (Sheet 1 of 2).

REPORT OF TASK EVALUATIONS			
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	GRADE	AFSC Msn Commander	IN UGT <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
JQS TASK ITEM(S) EVALUATED Spin-Up Training 1. Did the prospective MC review and comply with 6 SOS OI 10-1, SOCOM 350-3(JCETs) and TSCP objectives for given region? 2. Did the prospective MC ensure all team members received adequate spin-up training for the deployed location? 3. Did the prospective MC ensure all personnel completed all individual training requirements prior to deployment? 4. Did the prospective MC properly request waivers for non-compliant members or augmentees? 5. Did the MC produce and deliver a Mission Brief (Murder board) and ensure all PDSS/MPC issues were resolved?			
RESULTS		SATISFACTORY	UNSATISFACTORY
REMARKS Strengths:  Weaknesses:  Recommendation:			
DATE	TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF EVALUATOR		SIGNATURE
REPORT OF TASK EVALUATIONS			
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	GRADE	AFSC Msn Commander	IN UGT <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
JQS TASK ITEM(S) EVALUATED Pre-Deployment: 1. Did the prospective MC coordinate with the TS to ensure TPFDD worksheets were properly submitted & orders processed? 2. Did the prospective MC ensure the team planner submitted all necessary Form 1 paperwork? 3. Did the prospective MC coordinate with the TS for a timeline for pack-out and ensure all deploying members assisted? 4. Did the prospective MC ensure all transportation (airfare) and hotel reservations were completed and budgeted for? 5. Did the prospective MC ensure weapons / classified / cargo couriers were properly trained & documented? Waivers submitted?			
RESULTS		SATISFACTORY	UNSATISFACTORY
REMARKS Strengths:  Weaknesses:  Recommendation:			
DATE	TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF EVALUATOR		SIGNATURE
REPORT OF TASK EVALUATIONS			
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	GRADE	AFSC Msn Commander	IN UGT <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
JQS TASK ITEM(S) EVALUATED Pre-Deployment (continued): 1. Was the prospective MC knowledgeable of, and intimately involved with, the mobility and planning processes? 2. Did the prospective MC identify necessary additional duties (contracting/paying agents) and ensure training complete? 3. Did the prospective MC ensure all deploying personnel credit card limits were increased (if necessary)? 4. Did the prospective MC ensure deploying personnel mobility folders were up-to-date for PRU out-processing? 5. Did the prospective MC keep the team advised of the mission status and did he identify potential mission shortfalls?			
RESULTS		SATISFACTORY	UNSATISFACTORY
REMARKS Strengths:  Weaknesses:  Recommendation:			
DATE	TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF EVALUATOR		SIGNATURE

Figure A4.1. Mission Commander Upgrade Overprint (Sheet 2 of 2).

REPORT OF TASK EVALUATIONS			
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	GRADE	AFSC Msn Commander	IN UGT <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
JQS TASK ITEM(S) EVALUATED			
Leadership:			
1. Did the prospective MC clearly project/conduct himself in a manner commensurate with an depoyed SOF Team leader?			
2. Did the prospective MC foster inter-team relations & communications to ensure all members were contributing to the mission?			
3. Did the prospective MC intervene and correct actions not commensurate with regulations & the professional SOF image?			
4. Did the MC ensure the PN leadership was aware of Team activities and established a cooperative personal relationship?			
5. Did the prospective MC ensure the chain of command was abreast of all pertinent mission impacts and activities?			
RESULTS <input type="checkbox"/> SATISFACTORY <input type="checkbox"/> UNSATISFACTORY <input type="checkbox"/>			
REMARKS			
Strengths: Did the prospective MC pass information in a timely manner for proper execution of additional taskings?			
Weaknesses:			
Recommendation:			
DATE	TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF EVALUATOR	SIGNATURE	
REPORT OF TASK EVALUATIONS			
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	GRADE	AFSC Msn Commander	IN UGT <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
JQS TASK ITEM(S) EVALUATED			
Deployment:			
1. Did the prospective MC give clear, concise guidance on ROEs, daily activities and team goals?			
2. Did the prospective MC ensure team meetings were conducted and information disseminated to ensure synergy of effort?			
3. Did the prospective MC meet the logistical needs of the deployed team or overcome logistical deficiencies?			
4. Was the prospective MC aware of budgetary restrictions and did he ensure contracting/paying agents stayed within regs?			
5. Did the MC ensure the schedule remained fluid yet focused to achieve the Team's end goals?			
RESULTS <input type="checkbox"/> SATISFACTORY <input type="checkbox"/> UNSATISFACTORY <input type="checkbox"/>			
REMARKS			
Strengths:			
Weaknesses:			
Recommendation:			
DATE	TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF EVALUATOR	SIGNATURE	
REPORT OF TASK EVALUATIONS			
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	GRADE	AFSC Msn Commander	IN UGT <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
JQS TASK ITEM(S) EVALUATED			
Post-Deployment:			
1. Did the prospective MC conduct an outbrief with the governing TSOC and MILGRP?			
2. Did the prospective MC ensure all deployed members submitted AAR information on time and conduct final editing?			
3. Did the prospective MC ensure all deployed equipment was properly downloaded & post-deployment in-processing completed?			
4. Did the prospective MC ensure travel vouchers were submitted on time & post-deployment comp.time/leave was scheduled?			
RESULTS <input type="checkbox"/> SATISFACTORY <input type="checkbox"/> UNSATISFACTORY <input type="checkbox"/>			
REMARKS			
Strethns:			
Weaknesses:			
Recommendation:			
DATE	TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF EVALUATOR	SIGNATURE	

Attachment 5

TEAM SERGEANT UPGRADE OVERPRINT

Figure A5.1. Team Sergeant Upgrade Overprint (Sheet 1 of 2).

REPORT OF TASK EVALUATIONS			
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	GRADE	AFSC Team Sgt	IN UGT <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
JQS TASK ITEM(S) EVALUATED Spin-Up Training 1. Did the prospective Team Sgt complete all applicable AFSOC 16-101V1 Table 2.1 requirements as level 2 Senior Advisor? 2. Did the prospective Team Sgt schedule, direct and de-conflict all applicable spin-up training for the team? 3. Did the prospective Team Sgt ensure all personnel completed all individual training requirements prior to deployment? 4. Did the prospective Team Sgt review/demonstrate knowledge of 6 SOS OI 10-1, SOCOM 350-3(JCETs) & TSCP objectives? 5. Did the prospective Team Sgt properly request waivers for non-compliant members or augmentees?			
RESULTS		SATISFACTORY	UNSATISFACTORY
REMARKS Strengths:  Weaknesses:  Recommendation:			
DATE	TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF EVALUATOR		SIGNATURE
REPORT OF TASK EVALUATIONS			
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	GRADE	AFSC Team Sgt	IN UGT <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
JQS TASK ITEM(S) EVALUATED Team/Equipment Movement: 1. Did the prospective Team Sgt ensure TPFDD worksheets were properly submitted & orders processed in a timely manner? 2. Did the prospective Team Sgt ensure the team planner submitted all necessary Form 1 paperwork? 3. Did the prospective Team Sgt give an adequate timeline for pack-out and ensure all deploying members assisted? 4. Did the prospective Team Sgt coordinate all transportation (airfare) and hotel reservations for all deploying members? 5. Did the prospective Team Sgt ensure weapons / classified / cargo couriers were properly trained and documented?			
RESULTS		SATISFACTORY	UNSATISFACTORY
REMARKS Strengths:  Weaknesses:  Recommendation:			
DATE	TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF EVALUATOR		SIGNATURE
REPORT OF TASK EVALUATIONS			
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	GRADE	AFSC Team Sgt	IN UGT <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
JQS TASK ITEM(S) EVALUATED Pre-Deployment: 1. Was the prospective Team Sgt knowledgeable of, and intimately involved with, the mobility and planning processes? 2. Did the prospective Team Sgt identify necessary additional duties (contracting/paying agents) and ensure training complete? 3. Did the prospective Team Sgt ensure all deploying personnel credit card limits were increased (if necessary)? 4. Did the prospective Team Sgt ensure deploying personnel mobility folders were up-to-date for PRU out-processing? 5. Did the prospective Team Sgt keep the team advised of the mission status and did he identify potential mission shortfalls?			
RESULTS		SATISFACTORY	UNSATISFACTORY
REMARKS Strengths:  Weaknesses:  Recommendation:			
DATE	TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF EVALUATOR		SIGNATURE

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PREVIOUS EDITION WILL BE USED.

Figure A5.1. Team Sergeant Upgrade Overprint (Sheet 2 of 2).

REPORT OF TASK EVALUATIONS			
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	GRADE	AFSC Team Sgt	IN UGT <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
JQS TASK ITEM(S) EVALUATED Leadership: 1. Did the prospective Team Sgt conduct himself in a manner commensurate with an enlisted leader? 2. Did the pros. Team Sgt foster inter-team relations & communications and ensure all members were contributing to the mission? 3. Did the prospective Team Sgt intervene and correct actions not commensurate with the professional SOF image? 4. Did the prospective Team Sgt clearly project himself as a vital part of the team leadership and support the Mission Commander? 5. Did the prospective Team Sgt pass information in a timely manner for proper execution of additional taskings?			
RESULTS	SATISFACTORY	UNSATISFACTORY	
REMARKS Strengths:  Weaknesses:  Recommendation:			
DATE	TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF EVALUATOR	SIGNATURE	
REPORT OF TASK EVALUATIONS			
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	GRADE	AFSC Team Sgt	IN UGT <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
JQS TASK ITEM(S) EVALUATED Deployment: 1. Did the prospective Team Sgt give clear, concise guidance on daily activities (work schedule, vehicle assignments, curfew, etc)? 2. Did the prospective Team Sgt ensure team meetings were adequately conducted and information adequately disseminated? 3. Did the prospective Team Sgt assist in the formation of the Daily Situation Report to higher headquarters and home station? 4. Did the prospective Team Sgt meet the logistical needs of the deployed team or overcome logistical deficiencies? 5. Was the prospective Team Sgt aware of budgetary restrictions and did he ensure contracting/paying agents stayed within regs?			
RESULTS	SATISFACTORY	UNSATISFACTORY	
REMARKS Strengths:  Weaknesses:  Recommendation:			
DATE	TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF EVALUATOR	SIGNATURE	
REPORT OF TASK EVALUATIONS			
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	GRADE	AFSC Team Sgt	IN UGT <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
JQS TASK ITEM(S) EVALUATED Post-Deployment: 1. Did the prospective Team Sgt ensure post-deployment comp.time / leave was properly scheduled? 2. Did the prospective Team Sgt ensure all deployed members submitted after-action report information on time? 3. Did the prospective Team Sgt ensure all deployed equipment was properly downloaded and re-fitted for turn-in? 4. Did the prospective Team Sgt ensure travel vouchers were correct and submitted on time? 5. Did the prospective Team Sgt ensure all post-deployment medical in-processing was completed?			
RESULTS	SATISFACTORY	UNSATISFACTORY	
REMARKS Strengths:  Weaknesses:  Recommendation:			
DATE	TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF EVALUATOR	SIGNATURE	