

Instructor Experience

All Instructors bring their recent combat experience - Australian Special Forces have just completed 10 years operations against Afghanistan foreign fighters. Primary focus of Australian SF was the identification, location and elimination of terrorist leaders. *These missions were achieved by CTR (Close Target Reconnaissance).*

SF Combat Engineers accompany CTR and Fighting Patrols to combat IED's. SF Combat Engineers operate in IED defended areas and *bring the latest techniques* to identify and neutralise IED's and other booby traps.

Phase 1: Training Review phase by our Peak Tactical 'Country Manager'

Duties:

- All Coordination with local leaders and their forces prior to the Instructor's arriving
- Checking local Exercise Areas, Live Fire ranges & Live Explosive training areas
- Confirming Local Training Equipment, Transport, Accommodation and other needs
- Safety and Medical backup plans because we use live fire and explosives during training

Training Levels

There are 3 Tactical Levels. Each level is completed by passing the 'Final Testing Exercise' for that module.

Module 3	Patrol Leader/Combat Engineer Leader
Module 2	Advanced CTR/Combat Engineer
Module 1	Foundation CTR/Combat Engineer

The fourth level is Train the Trainer. This module is only provided to graduates of Module 2 and above

Instructor to Student Ratio

This ratio is high because of the very intense skills development needed. Students are coached, not lectured, to encourage the initiative required of a Combat Engineer and CTR roles.

There will be 2 instructors /per each module of 20-24 trainees.

Local Support to the Training Team

1 Interpreter per module: English to the client language, and translations of key student notes.

A local NCO who can do the administration and prepare the daily arrangements as per the training program, so there are no delays at the start of the day

Equipment

Specialised equipment is required to ensure training is using the most up-to-date tactics. This equipment becomes part of the operational stores of the patrols if they later conduct operations.

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SF RECONNAISSANCE PATROLS

Aim: To develop a Close Target Reconnaissance (CTR) capability

SCOPE: At the completion of the training participants will be able to:

1. Perform the different roles within a reconnaissance patrol
2. Conduct pre-checks, and cross-distribute specialised equipment
3. Demonstrate security of communications and radio use
4. Perform Combat First Aid-revision
5. Operate specialised surveillance equipment
6. Select routes, LUPs, Hides and RV points
7. Prepare Patrol, Hide and CTR orders
8. Insert into the AO using different covert tactics
9. Navigate accurately to 8 figure accuracy using various manual and technology techniques
10. Demonstrate SF techniques to counter enemy detection devices
11. Establish stand-off observation points
12. Conduct covert surveillance of targets using optical, night vision and other technologies
13. Complete close target reconnaissance using SF tactics
14. Withdraw from the AO using covert tactics and counter tracking skills
15. Employ Break-Contact tactics when patrol is compromised
16. Prepare Intelligence and Patrol reports for higher commanders

Final Testing Exercise:

To participate, direct and command a live firing CTR patrol of not more than 15 hours using correct tactical movement, counter-detection and navigational techniques to establish an OP, conduct close target reconnaissance, withdraw and report to commanders.

Special Equipment Tables needed to support this training—please refer to CTR Annex



COMBAT ENGINEER

Aim: To reduce Military and Civilian casualties by Detecting and Neutralising IED's

SCOPE: At the completion of the training, participants will be able to:

1. Identify different types of explosives and their characteristics
2. Identify common initiation mechanisms - both conventional (i.e. manufactured) and improvised initiation
3. Methods of construction of manufactured anti-personnel mines and anti-armour mines (Route denial).
4. Methods of construction of improvised charges and other IED's
5. Perform Combat First Aid-revision
6. Conduct a manual search
 - Recognising Ground Sign
 - Recognising Human Sign
 - Recognising and understanding Atmospheric
7. Introduction to, and correct operation of a single-sensor detector
8. Perform EOR drills to locate conventional (manufactured) mines and booby traps
9. Perform EOR drills to locate different types of IEDs and their initiation methods in use regionally
10. Demonstrate the correct Tactics used within an Explosive Ordnance Reconnaissance (EOR) patrol
11. Perform Explosive Ordnance Reconnaissance (EOR) support to a Reconnaissance (CTR) or Fighting patrol
12. Mark and Bypass tactics for IEDs/Mines in regional use (EOR)
13. Neutralise techniques for IED's/ Mines in regional use (EOD)
14. Clear IEDs/Mines in regional use (EOD)
15. Prepare Tactical Maps following an EOR mission, for submission to higher commanders
16. Prepare technical reports of mine and IED incidents

Final Testing Exercise:

Against small live explosive charges, students will be tested as follows;

To Provide Combat Engineer support to a patrol of not more than 15 hours using correct Detection, Neutralise and Clear tactics.

Special Equipment Tables needed to support this training—please refer to Combat Engineer Annex