

**SPECIAL FORCES ADVANCED RECONNAISSANCE, TARGET ANALYSIS, AND EXPLOITATION  
TECHNIQUES COURSE (SFARTAETC)**

**ATRRS SCHOOL CODE:** 331

**Course Code:** 2E-F133/011-F-46-SQI-W

**Course Duration:** 9 Weeks (45 training days)

**1. Course Information:**

a. **PURPOSE.** To qualify US Army Special Forces Soldiers to serve in **USASFC Crisis Response Force (CRF)**.

b. **SCOPE.** CLASSIFIED

c. **GENERAL.** SFARTAETC is a non-solicitation course available to active duty Soldiers in CMF 18, Warrant Officer 180A or Officer 18A, only on assignment to a SF CIF. Only Active Duty 18 Series Soldiers, with a minimum clearance of Secret (E5 thru O3) assigned to a CIF unit are allowed to attend this course, (CJCS directive). DCSOPS, USASOC will select soldiers to attend SFARTAETC IAW specified HQ, DA directives. THE SCHOOL EXERCISES NO QUOTA CONTROL.

**2. Student Information.**

a. **STUDENT PREREQUISITES.** Students must meet the following prerequisites prior to attending SFARTAETC:

(1) Be one of the following:

a) An active duty commissioned officer who holds a SC of 18A.

b) An active duty warrant officer with MOS 180A (SF warrant officer).

c) An active duty enlisted Service member in CMF 18.

d) Either assigned to or on assignment to a Special Forces **CRF** company.

e) Students cannot have been convicted of a domestic violence crime that would preclude him being issued a weapon IAW the Lautenberg Amendment.

(2) Must successfully complete the following before arriving to Ft. Bragg:

a) Students must have qualified expert with the M4 and M9 weapons within 30 days of the course start date.

b) Demonstrate the ability to stop on a taught fast rope in full CQB equipment and maintain position for 5 seconds as per the standards set forth in USASOC 350-6.

c) Had a Blood Lead Level (BLL) test with results less than 20 µg/dL not more than 90 days prior to the start of training per USAJFKSWC Supplement 1 dated 03 JAN 13 to USASOC Regulation 385-1 dated 03 FEB 12.

(3) Must successfully complete the following during in processing:

a) SFARTAETC no longer conducts the pre-entrance shooting exam known as the "Shoot In". Students should possess and demonstrate a level of proficiency and confidence in their weapons handling and application abilities consistent with their peers and the serious nature of this course.

b) Students must be able to demonstrate the ability to stop on a taught fast rope in full CQB equipment and maintain position for 5 seconds as per the standards set forth in USASOC 350-6.

b. **MEDICAL.** Students must meet the height and weight standards as outlined in AR 600-9, Height and Weight Standards. Must not possess a medical profile that would prohibit participation in training. Vision must be corrected to 20/20. Students cannot be on any prescription medication that causes drowsiness or altered state of mind. Students are not allowed to self-medicate or treat other students while attending SFARTAETC. This includes but is not limited to over-the-counter medications and dietary supplements. All medications will be administered by the D-2/1 medical staff. Students on prescription medications will include the prescription information during in-processing.

c. **BILLETING AND MESS.** Temporary duty (TDY) orders should reflect quarters and rations **ARE** available. **Students will only be responsible for providing their own meals on non-duty days (partial pre-diem).** Billets are available throughout the course. The billets are located in the company area/ training site. Students will be billeted in the Company D ready rooms NET than two days prior to the scheduled start date and NLT 1400hrs on the day of graduation.

d. **TRANSPORTATION.**

(1) Reporting. D-2/1 maintains a 24-hour Sergeant of the Guard (SOG) located in building O-3550 on the Miller Training Complex (MTC) 24hours a day/ 7 days a week. TDY students will report to the MTC (at the corner of Mac Ridge and Lamont) NO EARLIER than 36 hrs PRIOR to the course START date. TDY students will be assigned billeting on the MTC by the SOG. All students will sign in with the D-2/1 Sergeant of the Guard in building O-3550 NLT 0530 on the course START date for in-processing. Students reporting after the closing of in-processing on the course START date will not be permitted to start the course and will be returned to their parent unit. Additionally, personnel reporting prior to the course starting date should secure any sensitive items in the company arms room, which can be accessed 24 hours a day through the aforementioned guard post phone number (910) 907-2617. All students will park rental cars/POVs in the lower parking lot located off of Mac Ridge Rd and access the MTC via the walk thru gate. Students must ensure that all dental, medical, administrative, and personnel actions are completed prior to the course starting date. No routine medical appointments will be allowed during the course. Students will not have time to complete course pre-requisites once the course begins, the pre-requisites must be complete prior to course report date. This is non-negotiable, no excuses. Students will report to in-processing with the following:

(a) Present two sets of Travel orders (DD Form 1610) to attend the Special Forces Advanced Reconnaissance, Target Analysis, and Exploitation Techniques Course.

(b) Present a memorandum from their BN security manager verifying their FINAL SECRET clearance. No Interim Clearances allowed.

(c) Present a memorandum signed by their Company Commander verifying that the student has qualified expert with the M4 and M9 weapons and has demonstrated the ability to stop on taught fast rope in full CQB equipment maintaining position for 5 seconds as per USASOC 350-6 within 30 days of the course start date.

(d) A memorandum signed by their BN medical section stating the individual has had a BLL test with results less than 20 µg/dL not more than 90 days prior to the start of training per USAJFKSWC Supplement 1 dated 03 JAN 13 to USASOC Regulation 385-1 dated 03 FEB 12. This memorandum will also state that the individual has no medical profiles that would prohibit participation in high intensity physical training.

e. **REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS.**

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f. **CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT.** Students will need the following items:

1. Uniform

(a) Three sets of ACU uniforms with an ACU/ACU cap, with military issued boots for training. Sterile ACU shirt is acceptable for training, but students will also need ACU shirts with patches. BDU/DCU/MULTICAM uniform is not authorized. Wear of civilian boots while in uniform is not authorized.

(b) Parent unit and/or civilian PT gear is acceptable.

(c) Clothing. Sufficient civilian clothing and toilet articles to sustain the individual throughout the course. Civilian clothes are used during some training exercises and on weekends.

2. Weapons. All weapons are provided.

3. Equipment/ TA-50

(a) Wet/cold weather clothing (Gortex, seasonal)

(b.) Students are authorized to bring their own commercially purchased 9mm and 5.56mm ammunition pouches for use with SFARTAETC issued body armor. Personally owned angled fore grips, tactical lights w/pressure pads, and butt stocks are authorized for use so long as it does not alter or affect the mechanics of the weapons. Slings systems to include swivels, cleaning kits, fast rope gloves, day packs, laundry bags, padlocks and shooting gloves are also authorized to bring. Students ARE NOT authorized to bring or use unit issued ballistic helmets, body armor. Only

D/2/1 issued helmets and Body armor (vest, soft armor and ballistic plates) will be used by SFARTAETC students. Instructors will have the final say on any Personal Protective Equipment not issued by D-2/1 prior to use in the course.

**NOTE:** Ballistic eye protection; IAW D-2/1 Range Safety SOP, non-prescription ballistic eye protection is required. If student wears prescription lenses, they must be shatter resistant and have M40 inserts for their mask. Small designer bat wing lenses provide inadequate protection and are prohibited. Clear wrap around eye protection is required for all SFARTAETC students. Instructors will have the final say on personal eye protection. Personnel who wear prescription glasses need to bring goggles to fit over glasses which do not meet the above criteria.

(c.) **(Optional)** Students may bring parent unit optics for use during course (EOTECH, ACOG W/ J point, etc.), MBTR 148 W/extra battery (Ensure that radio does not have fill/ crypto,) Peltor Headset and/or compatible headset and cables with MBTR 148, LA5 designator, Sling system for M4 Carbine , Field Pack (ALICE), Weapons cleaning kit, Padlocks, Laundry Bag, Fast Rope gloves, Poncho/Poncho liner, Flight gloves. Unit issued ballistic helmet, Unit issued body armor with issued Level IIIA inserts & Level IV ballistic plates. Instructors will have the final say on any Personal Protective Equipment not issued by D-2/1 prior to use in the course.

4. **NOTE:** Unit issued NVGs, MBTR 148, LA5 are authorized, but not mandatory: SM must hand carry MBTR 148, NVGs, Optics and any other sensitive items when traveling Commercial Air. Sensitive item serial numbers should be reflected on individual's travel orders. If bringing own NVGs insure that all appropriate mounting equipment is brought. Ballistic eye protection; IAW D-2/1 Range Safety SOP, non-prescription ballistic eye protection is required. If student wears prescription lenses, they must be shatter resistant and have M40 inserts for their mask. Small designer bat wing lenses provide inadequate protection and are prohibited. Clear wrap around eye protection is required for all SFARTAETC students. Instructors will have the final say on personal eye protection. Personnel who wear prescription glasses need to bring goggles to fit over glasses which do not meet the above criteria.

Note: All clothing worn during duty hours must be military in style. Clothing will be neat and clean in appearance.

#### G. Additional Information.

(1) Grooming. Students are expected to report for class within the standards outlined in AR 670-1 and maintain those standards throughout the course.

(2) It is imperative that all administrative actions or problems be settled with the student's parent unit prior to the student's departure from his home station.

(3) It is strongly recommended that the student attend and complete a 80 hour unit level instructed pre-SFARTAETC. For the newest version of the SFARTAETC recommended pre-training contact D 2/1 SWTG(A) at 910-396-3325.