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UNITED STATES NAVAL SEA CADET CORPS
Field Operations Training



Camp Dodge; Johnston, IA
20 Jun – 28 Jun 2009



Greetings:

Federal funding for Field Operations/MOUT Training has been secured for summer 2009 training at Camp Dodge, Johnston, IA. Training will commence on 20 Jun and end on 28 Jun 2009 with a graduation ceremony at 0930. **The following logistical informational items will be useful for cadets wishing to attend this training:**

- Local orders are to be used for this training, as it is rescheduled from an earlier postponement. Submit orders for training with the appropriate deposit (\$170) to:
LT Eric Goslinga, NSCC
2008 Bailey Dr
Marshalltown, IA 50158

Email address: for questions prior to training: command@iowacadets.org
Phone number for questions prior to training: 641-752-0861

- Before reading any further, make sure you are in above average to excellent physical condition. Cadets will be exposed to a rigorous daily physical training regime and will conduct numerous patrols, foot marches, and movements through difficult terrain. Cadets should expect to run between two and four miles per day and march or hike with field pack, helmet, flak vest, boots, and weapon. **Cadets who cannot perform to training standards, who become injured in training due to a lack of physical readiness, or who are prone to whining or complaining will be sent home. No allowances will be made for quitters.**
- All trainees should report to the COTC of the training at Camp Dodge between the hours of 1300 – 1400 on 20 Jun. Please visit the web site for exact reporting location. Due to Camp Dodge facility logistical limitations, no early arrivals can be accommodated. Cadets traveling long distances should report in appropriate conservative civilian attire with Cadet Service Record. No cadet will be allowed to commence training without the Cadet Service Record on board. IDs must be valid through the end of the training period.
- We will provide transportation from the airport, but under no circumstances will we transport cadets for flights scheduled to arrive after 1230. We will return cadets to the airport on 28 Jun. Do not book a flight that leaves prior to 1230 on 28 Jun. If you arrive early, you are not authorized to leave the airport. **We need flight information on EMAIL with “FIELD OPERATIONS FLIGHT INFORMATION” in the subject line to know when you are coming.** Cadets who are not available at that time will have to provide their own transportation to the training site. Taxi, bus, and shuttle services are available. See http://www.dsairport.com/Travel_Info/Ground_Transportation.htm for more information.
- All uniform and personal appearance regulations will be strictly enforced. **US Marines will be conducting this training, therefore it is required that males report with a USMC regulation haircut, high and tight, that will remain well within regulations for the duration**

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of the training. A full buzz or complete head shave is authorized. If you cannot or will not abide by this requirement, do not submit orders for this training. Males will receive military haircuts on site as necessary.

- Escort officer and staff cadet positions have been filled. Staff cadets must be prepared to report at 0900 or before on 20 Jun 09 to prepare for the conduct of training.
- Graduation will be held at 0930, 28 Jun 09. Graduation location will be communicated to all when it has been determined.
- For parents who may be driving cadets, The Greater Des Moines Convention and Visitors Bureau site provides information for visitors on hotels, restaurants, and attractions. Visit their website at <http://www.seedesmoines.com>.

REQUIRED SEA BAG ITEMS

Qty	Item	Qty	Item
1	Sea Bag	1	Shower shoes— must have
2-3	BDU Utility Blouses w/name & branch tapes and flashes	1	OD or camouflage rain poncho w/snaps for shelter half (strongly recommended)
2-3	BDU Utility Trousers w/name tape over rear, right pocket	1	Combat black boots—make sure these are well broken in
1	Black belt w/black tip & black open-face buckle	6	Gallon-sized zip-lock clear plastic bags
1**	Canteens (2), canteen covers (2), war belt (NO CAMEL BACKS!)	1 ##	"L" shaped military flashlight w/batteries (available at Camp Dodge PX)
1	BDU cover	\$20-\$40	Spending money
6	Underwear/undergarments—will need some white for dress whites	2 ##	Black ink pens
1	(optional) Conservative Sunglasses—lenses must be black and non-reflective	1	sleeping bag—strongly prefer OD military green
4-6	Brown OD Undershirts	1	Wrist watch—non reflective surfaces; must be subdued
1	Hygiene kit—see below	2 ##	Pair boot bands
6	Black Boot Socks	1	White towel
1	White Mesh Laundry bag	1	<u>Complete</u> Dress white uniform in garment bag
1-2	USN issue PT shorts (if available) Otherwise plain navy blue PT shorts	1-2	<u>Plain white shirts</u>

** THESE **REQUIRED** ITEMS MARKED CAN BE PROVIDED FOR CADETS UPON REQUEST. CADETS WHO DO NOT HAVE THESE ITEMS MUST CONTACT THE COTC WITH THEIR REQUIREMENTS.

Camp Dodge PX has field hygiene wipes, flashlights, and boot bands for purchase. Cadets can go to the PX prior to check in and purchase needed items.

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Hygiene Kits: sun tan lotion, foot powder, field wipes or baby wipes in flat package, razors, shaving cream, necessary products for females, bar soap, small shampoo; bug repellent needed; absolutely no aerosol cans of any kind!!

Cadets will have limited PX privileges at training. Cadets are discouraged from having large sums of money at this training. There is no place to lock valuables.

As far as behavioral expectations, this is an advanced training. If you are looking for a slack training or have desires to fraternize or be lazy, do not apply for this training. Field Operations/MOUT training is intense, packed with long, physically demanding training days with much academic information and physical training. There will be at least 60 minutes of physical training each day plus the training evolutions. **All of the physical training is done in boots/utilities.** You must be in good shape prior to arriving at training and be able to tolerate long training days and warm weather. Failure to meet the standards established by the COTC and the instructors will result in early termination of your training experience.

Each cadet at training is carefully and comprehensively evaluated. Your evaluation starts upon your receipt of this information, your ability to follow orders, provide needed information, meet deadlines, pack a sea bag, and the degree of care with which you prepare physically and mentally for this training. You will be evaluated on the following, among other criteria, at training:

1. Professionalism—how you appear, carry, and conduct yourself in uniform and during training, and how well your customs and courtesies reflect your training and commitment to excellence
2. Response/Motivation—how well you master concepts during training and your response to commands, directives, and scenarios during training activities
3. Fitness—your level of fitness upon reporting and your level of effort during ALL training evolutions
4. Leadership—your ability to serve as a positive example for other trainees and your shipmates from your home unit
5. Teamwork—how well you work within a team and the degree to which your actions contribute to the welfare, morale, and success of the team

Due to the length of training days and the lack of amenities on post, cadets will not have need for civilian clothing and other personal items. No civilian clothing is authorized at this training at any time, except for those cadets who fly to training. Cadets traveling by car will be required to send civilian clothing and personal items back with escorts or parents, if practical. **This includes cell phones; failure to turn in a cell phone will result in training termination.** There will be very limited opportunities for cadets to call home; parents should not expect your cadet does not call home during training. For true emergencies only, parents can call 319-560-0827 during training. An update on how Billy is doing or a suggestion for a restaurant or hotel is NOT an emergency. **For all trainees, we will need your t-shirt size and shorts size. Email or call the COTC with this information upon receipt of this letter.** Please feel free to email with questions.

Respectfully,

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DIRECTIONS TO CAMP DODGE

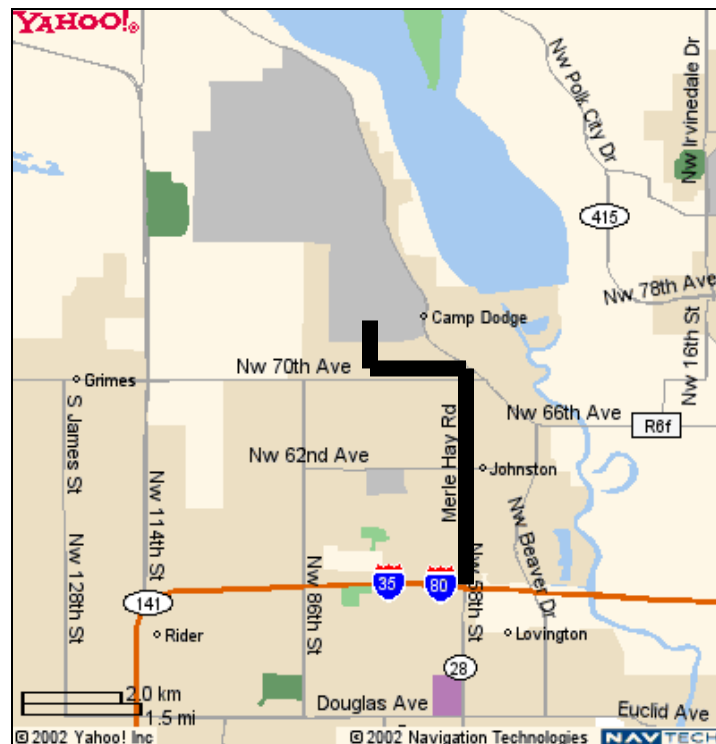
APPROACHING CAMP DODGE FROM THE EAST OR NORTH

- From I-80/35, take Merle Hay Road exit and travel north on Merle Hay Road until you reach NW 70th St. Turn left or west onto 70th St. Travel west on NW 70th Street and turn right at the first stoplight into Camp Dodge.

APPROACHING CAMP DODGE FROM THE SOUTH OR WEST

- From I-80/35, take 86th Street exit. At the top of the ramp go left, or north. Travel north until you come to NW 70th Street. .
- At the corner of 86th St and NW 70th Street, turn right or east. You will turn left or north into Camp Dodge at the first stop light.

STOP FOR THE SENTRY ON DUTY. The driver of the motor vehicle must have a valid driver's license in possession to operate a vehicle on the military reservation. Check www.iowacadets.org for exact reporting location.



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STANDARDS OF CONDUCT FOR TRAINING

Mail back or turn in this form when reporting for training.

1. I will immediately, cheerfully, and willingly follow all lawful orders of those appointed over me and carry out those orders to the best of my ability. THIS INCLUDES SURRENDERING MY CELL PHONE UPON CHECK IN.
2. Cadets will conduct themselves in a military manner to bring credit to themselves, their home unit, the Naval Sea Cadets Corps, and the United States Navy. My behavior will demonstrate the core values of Honor, Courage, and Commitment.
3. Cadets will not use bullying, humiliating, or racially offensive language. Harassment will not be tolerated.
4. Cadets will not threaten, or attempt to do, bodily harm to another.
5. Cadets will not take, obtain or withhold, by any means, the property, money, uniform item, or article of value from another.
6. Alcohol, tobacco, and drugs are strictly forbidden at training.
7. Cadets will not willfully damage or destroy any U.S. Government, State of Iowa, Central Iowa Division, or personal property of any other cadet or staff member.
8. Male and female cadets will not fraternize by physical contact or hand passed notes at training expect in the line of duty. Male berthing spaces are off-limits to female cadets; female berthing spaces are off-limits to male cadets.
9. Appropriate courtesies will be paid to all cadets, staff cadets, instructors, and officers, enlisted personnel and officers of the Naval Sea Cadet Corps and Armed Services at all times.
10. Cadets will give 100 percent effort towards every activity of training. **Malingering (faking illness or fatigue) will not be tolerated.**

I have read and understand these Standards of Conduct, and I agree to hold myself and my shipmates accountable for these Standards of Conduct. The decision to terminate cadet training is at the sole discretion of the COTC.

Cadet signature

Date