

Ranger School Course Information

1. Arrival. All Soldiers travelling by commercial aircraft must carry a complete uniform, PT uniform and all necessary paperwork in their carry-on bag. The uniform is Army Combat Uniform, Multicam Uniform Pattern, Operational Camouflage Uniform or your service equivalent. Make sure this is a small carry-on bag that will be placed in the bottom of your duffle bag while attending the course. This bag will not be stored in the unauthorized baggage area for anyone that is not OCONUS or TDY en route.
2. Commercial Transportation. Regardless of how the student travels to Fort Benning, he will pass through or close by Columbus, Georgia. Downtown Columbus is 12 miles from Fort Benning, and is a city with a population of approximately 200,000. Columbus is served by major airlines and seven major highways. There are two inter-city bus lines that operate in and out of Columbus daily. If the student arrives in Columbus by commercial plane, he may travel to the post by city bus (Metra) or taxi.
3. Travel by POV. There is a parking lot at Camp Rogers, ARTB area that is lighted, fenced and locked. Students reporting with privately owned vehicles must park them in the lot, during in-processing, and leave them there for the duration of the course. Vehicles belonging to individuals who are at Fort Benning to attend the Ranger course do not have to be registered on post as long as they are parked in this lot
4. Reporting. Incoming students will report as early as 1000 but NLT 1300 on Day 0 (Sunday) of the Ranger Class they are scheduled to attend. Reporting location is Building 5002 (Whetten Hall) on Camp Rogers located in the Harmony Church area of Fort Benning. Students must report in Army Combat Uniform, Multicam Uniform Pattern, Operational Camouflage Uniform or your service equivalent with a camelbak. Only nametape and US Army tape will be worn on the ACU.
5. Orders. Incoming students will have 5 copies of their orders assigning them to the Ranger Course. 1610's or a 4187 with unit funding code (TDY) are the Units responsibility. Students who are TDY en route must also have 5 copies of their PCS orders.
6. Airborne. All airborne qualified students need to bring proof of their Airborne qualification; the Airborne Course Certificate, parachutist badge orders, or hazardous duty orders all suffice. International Students must bring a copy of orders that states they are graduates of the U.S. Army Airborne School. Students are not required to be Airborne qualified, but are encouraged to attend the Airborne Course prior to attending the Ranger Course.
7. Meals. The Airborne and Ranger Training Brigade will initiate action to effect all required reimbursements beginning when meals are available and will be provided for the duration of Ranger School. The Airborne and Ranger Training Brigade will initiate proper payroll deductions for officers and meal deductions for enlisted.

8. Medical. Refer to the Medical tab for medical requirements for inprocessing. (<http://www.benning.army.mil/infantry/ARTB/StudentInformation/Medical.html>)
9. Commander's Validation Letter. Incoming students will have a copy of the Commander's Validation Letter. This letter can be found in the Commander's Welcome Letter, located under the Reporting and Class Information tab. (<http://www.benning.army.mil/infantry/ARTB/StudentInformation/content/PDF/commanderletter.pdf?26SEP2016>)
10. Sister Services. Personnel from other services must be in the grade of E-5 or above to attend Ranger School without a waiver. All personnel must be able to pass the current Ranger Physical Assessment (RPA) which consists of 49 Push-Ups, 59 Sit-Ups, 5-Mile Run in under 40 minutes, and 6 Pull-Ups (palm in). The rank waiver for sister services must include the results of an RPA using a PASS/FAIL for the push-ups, sit-ups, and pull-ups, and include the actual 5-mile run time.
 - a. Air Force. Air Force personnel attending Ranger School are required to contact the AF Liaison NLT the Friday before Zero Day. Contact (706) 835-8350 or BB (706) 761-2706 for coordination.
 - b. Marine Corps. Marines attending Ranger School are advised to report to the Fort Benning USMC Liaison on the Thursday before Zero Day. Contact the Admin Section (706) 626-8004 or the OOD (706) 326-6510 for assistance immediately upon arrival to the Fort Benning/Columbus area.
11. Additional Uniforms. Enlisted soldiers will receive the supplemental issue of ACU's (2ea) after they have reported and been accepted into the course. This does not include Officer's, National Guard, Reserve, Sister Service's, International, or Ranger Regiment soldiers. Do not submit DA Form 3078 to your local Clothing and Sales store for the issue.
12. Re-attempting Ranger School Waiver. The ARTB Commander *may* require that a student present a request for waiver for attendance (previous LOM, SOR), prior to re-attempting Ranger Training. Waiver must be approved and forwarded at the O-6 level of the unit chain of command. The RTB Commander will exercise his discretion on approving/disapproving the request for waiver based on the student's prior school performance. **Student must be able to present a hard copy of the waiver during Day Zero in processing.**
13. Packing list. Click here for the Ranger School Packing List. PRINT OUT THE FIRST 4 PAGES OF THIS PACKING LIST AND BRING WITH YOU FOR THE LAYOUT.

<http://www.benning.army.mil/infantry/ARTB/StudentInformation/content/XLS/PackingList.xlsx>

14. Haircuts. All students will arrive on Zero Day with an appropriate haircut.
 - a. All Male Ranger students will have a Ranger haircut. A Ranger haircut is defined as: stubble-entire head shaved with hair clippers with no guard attached. There is no requirement to shave your head with a razor.
 - b. All Female Ranger Students will have a haircut IAW Female Short Length standards in AR 670-1. AR 670-1 defines a Female Short Haircut as, "hair length that extends no more than 1 inch from the scalp (excluding bangs). Hair may be no shorter than 1/4 inch from the scalp (unless due to medical condition or injury), but may be evenly tapered to the scalp within 2 inches of the hair line edges."
15. Heat Mitigation Statement. If you plan on attending Ranger School in the summer months, ensure that you are in peak fitness due to the increased humidity and high temperatures. If possible, arrive at Ft. Benning two weeks prior to the course start date in order to acclimatize your body to the higher heat and humidity. ARTB cannot facilitate billeting for students that arrive early for the Ranger Course.
16. Holiday Block Leave. Students will not make travel arrangements prior to reporting to the Ranger Course. The ARTB will release all students on Holiday Block Leave IAW posted leave dates for that Fiscal Year. All Ranger Course students are required to take Christmas Exodus leave from the Ranger Course. ARTB will ensure the following briefs and documents are completed prior to releasing students on Holiday Block Leave from the Ranger Course:
 - DA 31
 - POV inspection (if applicable)
 - Holiday Block Leave Safety Counseling
 - OCONUS/S-2 Briefs (if applicable for OCONUS travelers)
17. Clearance. No security clearance is required to attend the Ranger Course
18. Telephone Service. Pay telephones are available at all three locations that training is conducted, except Camp Darby at Fort Benning, Ga. Telephone service is available through the Airborne and Ranger Training Brigade for emergency use only. The emergency telephone number is (706) 544-6980
19. Laundry. A limited number of washers, dryers and hand washing facilities are available at the Ranger Camps. Commercial laundries also may be used during off duty time.

20. Unauthorized Items. No unauthorized items, as defined in the Ranger packing list, will be stored by ARTB unless the student is TDY en route or OCONUS. Any contraband will be confiscated on Zero Day. Contraband is anything not on the Ranger School Packing list.

- a. Tobacco and caffeine products of any kind are forbidden and will be grounds for immediate dismissal from the Ranger course.
- b. Cellular phones ARE NOT AUTHORIZED during the course. Only students that are OCONUS or TDY in route to their next unit will be allowed to store a cell phone in their unauthorized baggage.