

ALARACT 146/2015

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SUBJ/ALARACT 146/2015 - RANGER COURSE ATTENDANCE

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NARR/ (U) EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, ALL SOLDIERS, REGARDLESS OF GENDER, MAY ATTEND THE U.S. ARMY RANGER COURSE. THIS ALARACT COMPLIES WITH THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY'S ANNOUNCEMENT THAT ALL SOLDIERS REGARDLESS OF GENDER MAY ATTEND THE UNITED STATES ARMY RANGER COURSE SEE REFERENCE 1A), CORRECTS A PREVIOUSLY TRANSMITTED ALARACT REFERENCE 1B), AND NOTIFIES COMMANDS AND POTENTIAL RANGER STUDENTS OF THE OPPORTUNITY FOR FEMALE SOLDIERS TO ATTEND RANGER COURSES.

1. (U) REFERENCES.

1.A. (U) SECRETARY OF THE ARMY MEMORANDUM - EXPANSION OF RANGER COURSE ATTENDANCE TO FEMALE SOLDIERS DATED 31 AUGUST 2015, AVAILABLE ON THE ARMY PUBLISHING DIRECTORATE WEBSITE AT [HTTPS://ARMYPUBS.US.ARMY.MIL/EPUBS/HQDA_ISSUANCE.HTML](https://armypubs.us.army.mil/epubs/hqda_issuance.html) UNDER SECARMY.

1.B. (U) ALARACT 138/2015 - RANGER COURSE ATTENDANCE DTG 131816Z AUG 15 (INACTIVE).

2. (U) PURPOSE. TO EXPAND OPPORTUNITIES FOR GENDER INTEGRATED TRAINING. ALARACT 138/2015 IS INACTIVE.

3. (U) COMMANDS WILL SELECT AND PREPARE RANGER STUDENTS ACCORDING TO THEIR CURRENT UNIT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.

3.A. (U). ALL PREREQUISITES FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING THE RANGER COURSE REMAIN IN EFFECT, INCLUDING STANDARDS OF MEDICAL FITNESS PRESCRIBED IN AR 40-501, CHAPTERS 2, 5, AND 8. ADDITIONAL STUDENT REQUIREMENTS CAN BE FOUND ON THE AIRBORNE AND RANGER TRAINING BRIGADE WEB SITE AT [HTTP://WWW.BENNING.ARMY.MIL/INFANTRY/RTB/](http://www.benning.army.mil/infantry/rtb/).

3.B. (U) THE COMMANDER, AIRBORNE AND RANGER TRAINING BRIGADE, STRONGLY ENCOURAGES ALL POTENTIAL RANGER STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN RIGOROUS PRE-RANGER TRAINING AND A RANGER TRAINING ASSESSMENT COURSE BEFORE ATTENDING THE RANGER COURSE.

3.C. (U) FEMALE STUDENTS WILL BE ADMINISTERED A PREGNANCY TEST DURING

COURSE IN-PROCESSING. POSITIVE TESTS WILL RESULT IN COURSE
DISENROLLMENT.

4. FEMALE STUDENTS MAY ATTEND THE RANGER COURSE AT THE NEXT
AVAILABLE COURSE DATE.

5. (U) CURRENT ARMY POLICY ALLOWS FEMALE STUDENTS WHO SUCCESSFULLY
COMPLETE THE RANGER COURSE TO RECEIVE A GRADUATION CERTIFICATE AND BE
AWARDED, AND AUTHORIZED TO WEAR, THE RANGER TAB; HOWEVER, FEMALE
GRADUATES WILL NOT RECEIVE THE ASSOCIATED RANGER SKILL IDENTIFIERS OR
BE ASSIGNED TO RANGER-CODED UNITS OR POSITIONS.

6. (U) EXPIRATION DATE OF THIS MESSAGE IS 30 AUGUST 2016.