



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES ARMY MANEUVER CENTER OF EXCELLENCE
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FORT BENNING, GEORGIA 31905-5000

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

AMIM-BEO-TS

30 September 2025

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Soldier Monitoring System (SMS) Issue/Receiving

1. Units will ensure when requesting the SMS system, that the accurate number of trackers needed is requested (quantity can be decreased, but not increased), and that the training dates this equipment will be needed are correct (need to contact the Services Manager if any adjustments need to be made).
2. The personnel signing for SMS equipment must have a training certificate and, on the unit's current 1687 on file. Units will provide an accurate POC email, phone number and email in RFMSS request. **The SMS will only be drawn for individual land navigation test day, unless given permission for other use by the TSC Chief.** SMS equipment will be drawn at the designated time given in the notes of the unit's RFMSS request.
3. SMS Equipment will be **issued either the day before testing from 1230-1500 or the day of testing from 0730-0930 and turned in from 0700-1130** upon completion of the testing event. Units will have equipment no more than 3 days from the date of issue to turn in.
4. To help conserve battery life and ensure SMS devices are always charged for events, **TSC will no longer issue SMS devices on a Friday for an event on a Monday.** Land Navigation will start on Tuesday so you can pick up SMS Devices on Monday.
5. Any request not made within the 18-week timeframe will require an exception to policy memo signed by the company commander. With these requests, the unit will receive equipment upon approval from the TSC chief and if equipment is available to support, which could result in the unit not receiving the amount requested.
6. SMS deconfliction will happen during the weekly freeze meetings, by phone/face to face with TSC staff on a consistent basis. Units will be asked to either decrease their numbers or move training left or right, if possible, to help with deconfliction. TSC reserves the right overall to decrease numbers to ensure that there is no loss to training.

7. SMS certification is held at the Training Support Center, BLDG 3020, every month. Unit Schedulers will use RFMSS to schedule SMS Certification for all personnel needing training. Certification classes will be held every 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month. See RFMSS link below for registration document (TSC Services):
<https://rfmssbackup.altess.army.mil/BENNING/Pages/Library/LibraryFolders.aspx?p= 87148>
8. Drill Sergeant Orientation Program (DSOP) is once a month and offers SMS certification but, only for DS's going thru DSOP. Contact the MCoE DSOY to register your Drill Sergeants for the DSOP classes.
9. For all SMS related matters, the POC is the Services Manager Mr. Floyd Koger at 706-545-2006 (Office) / 520-674-0614 (Teams) / 706-304-3954 (Cell) or Floyd.n.koger.ctr@army.mil.
10. Point of Contact for this memorandum is William Walker, ALT PM/Site Lead (CTR) 545-3066 or william.f.walker34.ctr@army.mil, or the undersigned at 545-6162 or Charles.p.tippie.civ@army.mil.

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