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WARNING ORDER 01 – EXERCISE SMART RUNNER 2021 - ARMY INTER UNIT ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS – 13- 14 OCT - AMENDMENT 2

References:

A. [2018DIN07-103 Authority for Army Orienteering - dated Oct 18.](#)

GENERAL

1. **Introduction.** The Inter-Unit Orienteering Championships 2021 will be held on Longmoor Training Area 13-14 Oct 21.
2. **Aim.** The aim of the event is to challenge soldiers' navigation, use of ground and aerobic fitness through orienteering. The Harris event on day two also provides junior leaders the opportunity to test their leadership under the pressures of time and competition.
3. **Eligibility.** This is Individual Military Training¹ and is open to all Regular and Reservists Army units. Teams consist of four runners however units may enter multiple teams.

EXECUTION

4. **Team Entries.** In order to ensure that enough maps are available, teams are required to pre-register online [here](#). Registration is open until 2359 11 Oct 21. Name changes are expected and may be submitted at the event.
5. **Training.** To supplement unit led preparations the following are available:
 - a. **Skills Course (11-13 Oct 21).** Spaces are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Applications can be made through the ASPT [here](#) and [Susan Meadows](#) is the POC.
 - b. **Novice Coaching (13 Oct 21 am).** Coaching is on offer during the morning immediately prior to the championships. This will be aimed at those who require an introduction, or refresher, and cannot attend the skills course. Attendance will not be limited but units must declare their intent to attend when registering.

¹ As detailed in Reference A.

6. **Championships**

- a. **Spanish Score (13 Oct 21 pm).** Team members run individually to visit all controls in the fastest possible time. Controls can be visited in any order and the team's time is the cumulative time of every member.
- b. **Harris Team (14 Oct 21).** The Harris format is an event where all team members receive identical maps and run simultaneously. There are two sets of controls: 'spine' controls, which must be visited by every team member; and 'other' controls, which must be visited by at least one team member. Both sets of controls can be visited in any order, and the team's time is that of the last member to reach the finish, multiplied by four.

7. **COVID.** The competition, training and accommodation will all operate within the Force Health Protection Directive in place during the event.

COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

8. **Equipment.** Full leg cover is mandatory. Team Captains are responsible for ensuring that all team members are dressed for the weather conditions, hydrated, have a compass, which they know how to use, and a whistle. No whistle, no start.

9. **Downloading.** All competitors are to visit the download station and have their electronic card "read", even if they retire from the course. Team Captains are responsible for informing race registration that their competitors are all accounted for and downloaded before leaving each day. Failure to do so will result in safety protocols being actioned, wasting time and resources.

10. **Classes.** Each team must consist of four runners from the same unit. Each team can only be competitive in one of the following classes.

- a. **Senior.** Team of four runners.
- b. **Masters.** Team of four runners, all over ~~40~~35 years old on 13 Oct 21.
- c. **Female.** Team of four female runners.
- d. **Short.** Team of four runners.
- e. **Under 25.** Team of four runners, all under 25 years old on 13 Oct 21.
- f. **Guests teams.** Ad-hoc military (all military runners but from different units) teams may also enter as a guest team in any of the above classes however they will not be eligible for the Inter-Unit Championships.

11. **Timings.**

- a. **11 Oct 21.** Event registration closes.
- b. **11 Oct 21.** 0800-2000 – Optional ASPT Skills Course day 1.
- c. **12 Oct 21.** 0800-2000 – Optional ASPT Skills Course day 2.

d. **13 May 21.**

- (1) 0800-1230 – Optional ASPT Skills Course day 3.
- (2) 1000-1230 – Optional Novice Coaching.
- (3) 1330 – Spanish score event start.

e. **14 May 21.**

- (1) 1000 – Harris Team event start.
- (2) 1400 – Prize giving.

12. **Costs.** All event costs for military personnel will be centrally funded.

13. **Churchill UEI.** 33C7NF

14. **Allowances.** This is an authorised exercise and participants are entitled to the normal duty allowances detailed in [JSP 752](#).

15. **Accommodation and feeding.** Accommodation at Longmoor Training Camp has only been centrally booked for the ASPT Skills Course participants. Units are responsible for booking any team accommodation required.

16. **Transport.** Units are responsible for providing their own means of service transport which may be used subject to the normal rules for military training. Bookings are to be charged to Purpose of Travel Code 13 (POT 13).

17. **Responsible personnel.**

- a. Event SRO: Lt Col Richard Mawer AAC
- b. Event Organiser: [Capt Mat Rupasinha](#) SCOTS

18. **Summary.** Orienteering directly supports dismounted close combat skills by developing soldiers' ability to 'read' the terrain and navigate their way through it. The Army Inter Unit Championships presents a competitive environment to test these skills under physical duress and to promote a 'warrior ethos' and will to win.

Any amendments to this instruction will be published on the [British Army Orienteering Club](#) website.

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