



ROYAL CANADIAN AIR CADETS
MANDATORY SUPPORT TRAINING



OBJECTIVE: Organize and plan a two-day survival exercise.

REFERENCE(S):

- A. A-CR-CCP-269/PH-001 Level Four Course Training Plan;
Chapter 3, Page(s) 3-2, Paragraph 10, Chapter 3, Pages 3H-1/3H-2, Chapter 4, Pages 94.
- B. A-CR-CCP-269/PT-001 Level Four Handbook;
Chapter 10, Section 1, Articles 18-20, Pages 5-6

TIME: As Needed



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NOTES TO THE ORGANIZER

1. The organization and planning of a two day survival exercise will give your Level 4 cadets much needed experience and give them the ability to use not only their organizational skills but apply some of their knowledge of survival. It allows your Level 5 cadets to participate in a more advanced way as they have already experienced planning this once.
2. When organizing and planning aspects of the survival exercise, the cadet(s) should use a memorandum every time the cadet(s) requires technical and/or personnel support.

SUBSTANTIATION

WHAT: For this mandatory support training session you will be required to work together to plan the two-day survival exercise.

WHY: As Level Four and Five cadets you are an important part of the squadron.

WHERE: The skills and knowledge you gain from this PO will be used during the survival exercise, during the two parades you supervise, and at other times during this training year.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Objective:**
Organize and plan the squadron's two-day survival exercise.
2. **Instructions for Level Five Instructor(s)/Assessor(s):**
 - a. Each cadet will be checked independently and will be required to assist in the organization and planning of the squadrons two-day survival exercise.
 - b. It is essential to evaluate the cadet, not the squadron's performance.
 - c. This evaluation should not be presented nor perceived by the cadets as a competition among themselves.

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DD/MM/YY (date)

OPERATIONS ORDER NO. #YY
SURVIVAL TRAINING WEEKEND

1. **SITUATION**

All squadrons must conduct a two-day (one-weekend) survival exercise as part of the mandatory training days allotted for each Proficiency Level.

2. **MISSION**

The survival exercise offers the opportunity for the cadets to perform many of the PO checks required in their respective levels for PO 419.

(1) **Level 1:**

EO 419.01 - Care for Personnel Equipment

The cadets will be checked during the weekend to ensure they are caring for their equipment.

EO 419.02 - Start a Fire for Cooking and Survival Purposes

The cadets' will be checked to ensure they are starting a fire correctly and safely.

EO 419.05 - Observe Established Camp Routine.

Cadets must observe proper use of camp areas.

(2) **Level 2:**

EO 419.01 - Describe Different Types of Survival Shelters

Each cadet will be required to help construct a lean-to.

EO 419.03 - Describe the Steps in Building a Common Rabbit Snare

Each cadet should assist in building a snare.

(3) **Level 3:**

EO 419.07 - Participate in a Ground Search and Rescue Exercise.

Each cadet will have to participate in a search and rescue exercise.

(4) **Level 4:**

EO 419.07 Assist in Organizing and Directing an Aircrew

Survival Exercise. The cadets will perform tasks as assigned throughout the weekend.

The development of this operations order will prove essential as a strategic management tool that provides the necessary direction to ensure that the mission of the survival exercise is achieved.

3. **EXECUTION**

A. **Tasking**

Commanding Officer (CO)/Officer of Primary Interest (OPI)

- a. Arranging facilities or sites for the conduct of the survival exercise.
- b. Overseeing the smooth running of the survival exercise.

Training Officer (Trg O)

- a. Responsible for overseeing those level officers who are to ensure that the cadets in their level have completed the required tests for the 419 EO's.
- b. Ensure that a timetable is done which allows for all required testing to be done.
- c. Prepare and submit an RCP1 to the Admin O for submission and approval by the ACO prior to the Survival Exercise.
- d. Prepare after action report for the Survival Exercise.
- e. Do a recce of the area prior to the Survival Exercise.

Administration Officer (Adm O)

- a. Responsible for submission of RCP1 for the Survival Exercise.

- b. Handling all correspondence concerning the Survival Exercise
 - le: Requests for equipment or sites for the exercise and replies to these requests are forwarded to the OPI.
- c. Act as a liaison between the squadron and the Cadet Support Group.

Supply Officer (Sup O)

- a. Ensure all cadets are outfitted with the proper equipment for the completion of their tasks during the Survival Exercise.
- b. Submit requests for needed equipment.

Cadet Support Group (CSG)

- a. This refers to any group, which assists the cadet squadron with activities, but is not the direct sponsor of the squadron.
- b. Assist the squadron with things, which the OPI feels require help from the CSG.

B. Coordination

(1) Timings

Attached at Annex A

(2) After Action Report

All Officers involved will meet on the training night following the Survival Exercise to provide feedback in support of the development of an After Action Report

4. SERVICE SUPPORT

A. Transportation

The distance to the Exercise site should determine vehicles. A bus, and a van for transportation of equipment is recommended.

B. Equipment and Supplies

Attached at Annex B

C. Meals

As determined by the area where the exercise is located and the facilities present. ie: cabin with a stove or in tents in the woods. Meals can be coordinated with the CSG.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNALS

- A.** OPI – Commanding officer
- B.** OIC – Training Officer
- C.** 2IC – Administration Officer

Commanding Officer
Your Squadron

ANNEXES

- ANNEX A – Time Appreciation
- ANNEX B – Equipment and Supply List
- ANNEX C – Optional Activities
- ANNEX D – Sports Activities
- ANNEX E – Tips

DISTRIBUTION LIST

Action

CO
Trg O
Adm O
Sup O
Sqn Comd
CSG

Info

Det Comd
ACO
Sponsoring Chairman

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Time Appreciation

Pre-Survival Weekend

Two Months Prior - Planning meeting

Month Prior - Organizational meetings every regular training night. (Discuss progress with obtaining supplies and transport as well as the site for the Survival Exercise.

Survival Weekend

Friday

1600 hrs Advanced party arrives to begin setup
1800 hrs Cadets arrive and help in setup and store their gear
2000 hrs Cadets given snack and participate in planned activity (Annex C)
2230 hrs Cadets prepare bunks and fire watch schedules are reviewed
2330 hrs Lights out and first fire watch shift begins

Saturday

0800 hrs Cadets are awakened. Breakfast begins.
0900 hrs First period of instruction
0940 hrs Second period of instruction
1015-1030 hrs Break
1030 hrs Third period of instruction
1110 hrs Fourth period of instruction
1145 hrs Prepare for lunch
1200-1245 hrs Lunch
1245-1300 hrs Cleanup after lunch
1300 hrs Begin practicals.
1645 hrs Prepare for dinner
1700-1745 hrs Dinner
1745-1800 hrs Cleanup after dinner
1800-2000 hrs Optional (Annex C)
2000 hrs Cadets given snack and participate in planned activity (Annex C).
2230 hrs Cadets prepare bunks and fire watch schedules are reviewed.
2330 hrs Lights out and first fire watch shift begins

Sunday

0900 hrs Cadets are awakened. Breakfast begins

1000 hrs	Time for unfinished practicals or optional activities. (Annex C)
1200 hrs	Lunch
1245 hrs	Cleanup after lunch
1300 hrs	Sports (Annex D)
1600 hrs	Pack up
1700 hrs	Pull Handles

Post-Survival Weekend

Next Regular Training Night	All officers meet to discuss details of the weekend for the after action report.
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Equipment and Supplies

Survival Kits
POL (Fuel, Shovel, Rake, Extinguisher, Environmental kit, POL bags)
Tents
Compasses
Maps of area
Food Fresh and IMP's
Sleeping bags
Cots
Stoves
Lanterns
Safety vehicle
First Aid Kit
Snare Wire (enough for cadets in the squadron)
Rope for lashings (Enough for lean-to's)
Sports Equipment
Latrines (portable)
Garbage bags

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Optional Activities