

This training plan is designed to ensure snipers are prepared for military style sniper training. This training isolates key tasks necessary to be successful in the a military style sniper course. The calendar serves as a guideline for a two week (10 day) train up that includes approximately 40 hours of training with each day not exceeding 4 hours. The benefit of 4 hour training days allow emphasis on daily duties while preparing for a course. Week One training is designed to establish the importance of a creative mindset and productive behaviors. Furthermore, Week One assists snipers in the field craft tasks with the highest attrition rates. During Week Two, the snipers begin to learn how to utilize a rifle in several scenarios. It establishes successful habits prudent to basic and intermediate rifle marksmanship. In addition, week two evaluates if a sniper is proficient in the operation of sniper weapons systems with varying levels of stability. By the end of this period of instruction, each sniper should be able to understand and successfully navigate the key tasks necessary for success in any military style sniper course.



# TRAINING CALENDAR



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<ul> <li>Ghillie Inspection 1</li> <li>Target Detection Familiarization</li> <li>Sector Breakdown</li> <li>Target Indicators</li> </ul>	Range Estimation Familiarization  Eye estimation 100-600m  Mil-Reticle Breakdown	Terrain Analysis     Røute Selection	• Screens • FFP Selection	• Transplantation • Building a Loophole • Blending
<ul> <li>The Shot Process</li> <li>M4 Dry Fire Coaching</li> <li>M4 Grouping Exercise</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Bullet Trajectory</li> <li>Environmental effects on flight</li> <li>Effects of Wind exercise</li> </ul>	• Kestrel • Rifle Set-up • SWS Dry Fire Coaching	<ul> <li>Alternate Position Shooting (Kneeling)</li> <li>Alternate Position Shooting (Seated)</li> <li>Alternate Position Shooting (Standing)</li> </ul>	• Ghillie Inspection 2  Course paperwork inspection  Course packing list inspection



## WEEK 1 FIELD CRAFT



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Ghillie Suit Inspection	Inspection of the ghillie suit a soldier desires to bring to USASC. This should include Boonie, Coat, Trousers, and Drag Bag.
	Classroom instruction on fundamental concepts behind detection of targets in an operating environment. Culminating in a 1 hour target detection practical exercise.
Sector Breakdown	Using the practical exercise as a concrete experience. Soldiers will be mentored on the most effective TTPs to breakdown an objective to make information easily digestible
Target Indicators	Using the practical exercise as a concrete experience. Soldiers will be mentored on the most effective TTPs on scanning and searching for anomalies within an operating environment to find objects of tactical importance

DAY 2

Range Estimation Familiarization	Classroom instruction on the 8 methods of estimating range. Special emphasis will be placed on Appearance of Objects and the Mil-relation formula.
Range Estimation 100m-600m	1 hour practical exercise focusing on a soldier's ability to use the bracketing and appearance of objects to correctly estimate the range to a target plus or minus 40m
Mil-Reticle Breakdown	Classroom instruction on the practical application of TMR, H-58, AGR-4, AGR-6. This instruction should include: Reticle layout, sub-tension values, and TTPs for optimal target placement for accurate use of Mil-relation formula.

#### DAY 3

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	information systems. With emphasis on elevation, and contour lines. Then mentor the
	soldier on the how to use this information to their advantage.
	Classroom instruction on the use of terrain analysis to determine optimal routes to
Route Selection	decrease: travel time, travel distance and detection probability.

DAY 4

Tree Stacks	Field instruction on the use of deciduous and coniferous tree spacing to reduce the enemy's ability to detect a soldier's presence or ascertain distance to the soldier if detected.
	Field Instruction on the use of natural and artificial methods to breakup a soldiers outline in order to reduce detection probability.
FFP Selection	Field instruction on the determining the the probability of detection from a final firing position without compromising hit percentage.

#### DAY 5

Transplantation	Field Instruction on the movement of vegetation from an origination point to a soldier's location to reduce the probability of detection.	
Building a loophole	Field Instruction on the construction of an aperture designed to reduce detection probability	
Blending	Field Instruction on the use of natural and artificial camouflaging techniques designed to blend a soldier into their foreground and background to reduce probability of detection.	



### WEEK 2 MARKSMANSHIP



DAY 1	
The Shot Process	Classroom instruction on the Pre-shot, Shot, and Post-Shot.
M4 Dry Fire Coaching	Classroom or Field instruction on how to achieve and maintain optimal firing positions for precise and accurate shooting while using the M4 carbine.
M4 Grouping Exercise	Practical Exercise soldier must be able to consistently be able to produce a 4cm grouping at 25m with the M4 carbine and Iron sites

DAY 2

Bullet Trajectory	Classroom instruction on the Rising branch, Max Ordinate and Falling Branches of trajectory.
Environmental effects on flight	Classroom instruction on the effects of: Humidity, Altitude, Temperature, Barometric Pressure, Wind Speed, Wind Direction, and other changes in operating environments will have on the path of a projectile.
Effects of wind exercise	1 hour practical exercise focusing on a soldier's ability to determine wind speed and appropriate wind hold at distances between 100m and 1200m

DAY 3		
		Classroom instruction on the proper set-up and use of the kestrel weather station and ballistic calculator
Ri		Classroom instruction or field instruction on the proper set-up of all sniper weapon systems withing the organization.
SWS Dr	y Fire Coaching	Classroom or Field instruction on how to achieve and maintain optimal firing positions for precise and accurate shooting while using the unit's sniper weapon systems.

DAY 4

Alternate Position Shooting(Kneeling)	Field instruction on the use of tripods and barricades from a kneeling firing position.  Soldiers will be mentored on most effective TTPs to increase accuracy and precision from this firing position.
Alternate Position Shooting(Seated	Field instruction on the use of tripods and barricades from a seated firing position.  Soldiers will be mentored on most effective TTPs to increase accuracy and precision from this firing position.
Alternate Position Shooting(Standing)	Field instruction on the use of tripods and barricades from a standing firing position.  Soldiers will be mentored on most effective TTPs to increase accuracy and precision from this firing position.

DAY 5	
Ghillie Inspection 2	Final inspection of the ghillie suit a soldier desires to bring to USASC to ensure deficiencies have been addressed. This should include Boonie, Coat, Trousers, and Drag Bag.
USASC Packet Inspection	Inspection of the soldier's school packet to ensure that it follows the guidelines as outlined on the Fort Benning website.
	Inspection of the soldier's equipment to ensure that it follows the guidelines as outlined on the Fort Benning website