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**PHASE III WRITTEN EXAM**  
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**STUDENT HANDOUT**

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**Phase III Written Exam**

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**Introduction**

The Phase III Written Exam will be conducted with the completion of all classroom instruction in Phases I , II. & III Students will be given two and a half hours to complete the exam. Students are expected to bring a Number 2 pencil. The exam will consist of multiple choice and essay style questions.

**Importance**

The Phase III Written Exam will be four percent of a students' overall grade, and will fall under the academics portion of a students' overall grade.

**Learning Objectives**

The learning objectives outline in this handout will be evaluated on the Phase III Written Exam. Students are expected to review the Learning Objectives in preparation for taking the exam.

Terminal Learning Objectives

TBS-OFF-1001 Given a unit, an objective, and an order, lead a unit in offensive operations, to accomplish the mission and meet the commander's intent.

TBS-OFF-1002 Given a machinegun unit, a mission, and an order, employ machineguns in support of offensive operations to achieve desired effects of machinegun fires in support of the ground scheme of maneuver in accordance with the Principles of Machinegun Employment.

TBS-OFF-2103 Given an offensive order from higher and a rifle unit, conduct offensive operations to accomplish the mission.

TBS-DEF-1002 Given a mounted or dismounted machinegun unit and an order, employ machineguns in support of defensive operations, to achieve desired effects of machinegun fires in support of the ground scheme of maneuver in accordance with the Principles of Machinegun Employment

TBS-DEF-1008 Given a unit, an assigned area or sector from which to defend, a mission, and an order, lead a unit in defensive operations to accomplish the mission and meet the commander's intent.

TBS-DEF-2101 Given a unit, an assigned area or sector from which to defend, and an order from higher, conduct defensive operations to accomplish the mission.

TBS-DEF-2203 Given a unit, a barrier plan, and materials needed to emplace obstacles, direct obstacle emplacement, to support the scheme of maneuver.

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**Learning Objectives  
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TBS-DEF-1002c Given an order from higher, machine gun support, as part of a unit, determine method of support to establish command relationships.

TBS-DEF-1002e Given a scenario and an order from higher, determine engagement criteria to support the scheme of maneuver.

TBS-DEF-1002f Given an order from higher with a scenario, determine target precedence to best support mission accomplishment.

TBS-DEF-1002g Given a scenario and an order from higher, assign machine gun FPL or PDF task to support the defensive scheme of maneuver.

TBS-DEF-1002j Given an order from higher, a simulated combat environment, machinegun support, as part of a unit, while wearing a fighting load, supervise creation of range cards to ensure data is captured accurately.

TBS-DEF-1007d Given a subordinate unit fire plan sketches, crew-served weapons range cards, a map, and an overlay, illustrate tactical control measures without omission.

TBS-DEF-1007g Given a sector of fire, as part of a unit, produce a fire plan sketch to depict your unit's area of responsibility

TBS-DEF-1008b Given a mission, a commander's intent, and a defensive position, select command post location to facilitate command and control.

TBS-DEF-1008d Given an order from higher, a mental estimate of the situation, and a defensive scheme of maneuver, develop a security plan to support the ground scheme of maneuver.

TBS-DEF-1008g Given a unit, an assigned area or sector from which to defend, a scheme of maneuver, supervise the establishment of defensive positions to support the defensive scheme of maneuver.

TBS-DEF-2102k Given a mission and commander's intent, develop a mental estimate of the situation using METT-TC to accomplish the mission

TBS-DEF-2102l Given a mission with a commander's intent and mental estimate of the situation, integrate the original principles of war in tactical planning to accomplish the mission

TBS-DEF-2203a Given an evaluation, identify the functional role of engineers in the defense without omission

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**Learning Objectives  
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TBS-DEF-2203c Given a scenario including organic fires, commanders intent, and supporting direct and indirect fires and obstacles, apply fires and obstacles integration concepts in support of the ground scheme of maneuver

TBS-DEF-2203d Given an evaluation, identify the steps to produce a barrier plan in sequence without omission.

TBS-DEF-2203f Given a mission, a commander's intent, and a combat engineer unit in direct support, assign defensive engineer tasking statements to accomplish the mission.

TBS-FSPT-2002b Given a fire mission and distance to target, employ an observer target (OT) factor, to calculate deviation corrections.

TBS-FSPT-2002e Given a target and binoculars, spot a round's impact with binoculars, to determine range and deviation in relation to the target.

TBS-FSPT-2002f Given a mission, a commander's intent, and a combat engineer unit in direct support, assign defensive engineer tasking statements to accomplish the mission.

TBS-OFF-1001e Given a unit, a mission, and a mental estimate of the situation, integrate direct and indirect fires to support by fire the ground scheme of maneuver.

TBS-OFF-1001f Given a unit, a mission, a mental estimate of the situation, supporting indirect fire assets, and direct fire assets, integrate fire and maneuver into the ground scheme of maneuver to accomplish the mission.

TBS-OFF-1002b Given a machinegun unit, a mission, and an order, direct positioning of machinegun units to support the ground scheme of maneuver IAW the Principles of Machinegun employment

TBS-OFF-1002d Given a machine gun unit, a mission, and an order, integrate machine guns into consolidation to prepare for follow-on missions.

TBS-OFF-1006a Given an evaluation, identify capabilities of engineers in the offense without omission.

TBS-OFF-1006k Given a scenario, apply obstacle reduction concepts to support the scheme of maneuver.

TBS-OFF-2102k Given a mission and commander's intent, develop a mental estimate of the situation using METT-TC to accomplish the mission.

TBS-OFF-2103e Given a unit and an order from higher, integrate supporting arms to support the scheme of maneuver.

