



National
Defence

Défense
nationale



Cadets.ca



Army Cadet Summer Training - 2018

Fun • Challenge • Friends / Plaisir • Défis • Amis



OUTLINE

What is Army Cadet Summer Training?

What courses are available?

Who can attend?

Where is summer training conducted?

Who conducts & supervises the courses?

How do cadets get to and from the centres?

How do cadets apply?

How do cadets get selected?

What is life like at the Cadet Training Centre (CTC)?

Aim of Summer Training

- Provide instruction and opportunities to develop advanced knowledge and skills in specialized activities
- To develop instructors and leaders for these activities
- To provide further opportunities to employ the general knowledge and skills obtained through the Corps program

Categories of Summer Training

General Training

2-week course designed to introduce cadets to summer training

Basic

3-week courses designed to teach the knowledge & skills in specialized activities

Instructor

6-week courses designed to develop instructor/leaders in specialized activities

Advanced Training

6-week courses designed to advance senior cadets' leadership and specialized skills

General Training Course (Vernon CTC)

The aim of the General Training course is to introduce air cadets to the CTC environment and specialty training qualifications including:

Expedition

Marksmanship

Sports and Fitness

Adventure Training

Ceremonial Leadership

Music

CAF Familiarization

PREREQUISITES:

- 12 and 13 years of age
- Completed Green Star at the Corps
- Physically fit and in good health
- Recommended by the Corps Commanding Officer and selected by the RCSU

9 July – 20 July

23 July - 3 Aug

6 Aug - 17 Aug

Specific serials and training centres locations
will be allocated to Corps

Course dates do not include travel days. Cadets must be prepared to travel up to 2 days prior and after course dates

BASIC COURSES INFORMATION

- Basic Expedition
- Basic Marksman
- Basic Drill & Ceremonial
- Basic Fitness & Sports
- Military Band - Basic Musician
- Pipe Band - Basic Musician

PREREQUISITES:

- 13 and 14 years of age
- Completed Red Star at the Corps
- Physically fit and in good health
- Recommended by the Corps' Commanding Officer and selected by the RCSU

Dates

9 July - 27 July – Intake 1

30 July - 17 August – Intake 2

***Specific serials and training centres
locations will be allocated to Corps***

***Course dates do not include travel days. Cadets must be
prepared to travel up to 2 days prior and after course dates.***

Basic Expedition (Whitehorse CTC)

- Develop expedition related specialist skills and knowledge that will allow cadets to participate in a five-day expedition, travel by canoe on flat water, travel by mountain bike on novice trails, navigate using a trail map, work as a team, and further develop skills learned in the Corps Program.

Basic Marksman (Vernon CTC)

- Develop marksmanship related specialist skills and knowledge that will allow the cadet to participate in zone and regional marksmanship competitions
- Assist with mentoring junior cadets in marksmanship, and further develop marksmanship skills learned in the Corps Program

Basic Drill and Ceremonial (Vernon CTC)

- Develop peer leadership skills
- Lead team-building activities
- Command a Corps on parade
- Execute rifle drill

Basic Fitness and Sports (Vernon CTC)

- Become a Fitness & Sports Assistant
- Develop a personal fitness routine
- Lead warm up and cool down sessions
- Assist with the cadet fitness assessment
- Assist with recreational / team sports

Military Band – Basic Musician (Vernon CTC)

Pipe Band – Basic Musician (Blackdown CTC)

- Develop music skills and music theory knowledge
- Drill and ceremonial for military or pipe band.

INSTRUCTOR / INTERMEDIATE COURSES

- Drill & Ceremonial Instructor
- Fitness & Sports Instructor
- Air Rifle Marksmanship Instructor
- Expedition Instructor
- Fullbore Marksmanship Phase 1
- Military Band - Intermediate Musician
- Pipe Band - Intermediate Musician

PREREQUISITES:

- 14 to 16 years of age
- Completed Silver Star at the Corps
- Be physically fit and in good health
- Be recommended by the Corps Commanding Officer and selected by the RCSU

6 Weeks

9 July - 17 August

Course dates do not include travel days. Cadets must be prepared to travel up to 2 days prior and after course dates.

Drill & Ceremonial Instructor (Vernon CTC)

- To develop advanced drill and ceremonial related specialist skills and knowledge that will allow the cadet to perform the duties of a specialist instructor and team leader for ceremonial activities
- To further develop skills learned in the Corps program

Fitness and Sports Instructor (Albert Head CTC)

- To develop sports and fitness-related specialist skills and knowledge that will allow them to promote physical fitness
- Perform the role of a specialist instructor and a team leader for fitness and sports activities conducted at the Corps, regionally directed activities and/or as a staff cadet at a CTC

Air Rifle Marksmanship Instructor (Vernon CTC CTC)

- To develop individual air rifle marksmanship and summer biathlon specialty skills
- To developing the cadet's leadership and instructional techniques skills preparing the cadet to support these activities at the Corps, CTC or regionally and/or nationally directed activities.

Expedition Instructor (Vernon & Whitehorse CTC)

- To develop expedition-related specialist skills and knowledge that will allow cadets to perform the duties of a specialist instructor and team leader during expedition training,
- To develop the skills to act as a participant in a long-duration expedition, travel by a variety of means (canoe, voyageur canoe, mountain bike, and/or hike), perform field maintenance on expedition equipment, navigate using a route card, belay an abseiler, and further develop skills learned in the corps program

Fullbore Marksmanship Phase I (Connaught CTC)

- To develop marksmanship-related specialist skills and knowledge that will allow them to compete as an individual in a fullbore marksmanship competition.

Military Band - Intermediate Musician (Vernon CTC)

Pipe Band - Intermediate Musician (Rocky Mountain CTC)

- To further develop music skills and music theory knowledge.
- **Prerequisite: Musician Proficiency Level Basic**

INSTRUCTOR / INTERMEDIATE COURSE INFORMATION

Expedition Instructor

- CFAIP Bronze for the age group

Fullbore Marksmanship Phase I

- Priority given to cadets who attended the Basic Marksman Course and have been selected through a mail-in shoot process.

Pipe Band - Intermediate Musician

- Music proficiency level II

Military Band - Intermediate Musician

- Music proficiency level Basic

Advanced Training

- Military Band - Advanced Musician Course
- Pipe Band - Advanced Musician Course
- Fullbore Marksmanship Phase II
- Cadet Leadership and Challenge Course
- Maple Leaf Exchange (England)
- RCAC National Rifle Team
- Basic Parachutist
- Army Cadet Voyage in History Tour

Course Dates

6 Weeks

9 July - 17 August

Course dates do not include travel days. Cadets must be prepared to travel up to 2 days prior and after course dates.

PREREQUISITES:

- 15 to 17 years of age (Cadet Leadership and Challenge, Advanced Musician Courses)
- 16+ years of age (all other Advanced Courses)
- Meet the requirements of CATOs 40-01 and 42-05
- Be recommended by the Corps CO
- Be nominated by RCSU
- Be selected by Natl CJCR Sp Gp

Must have completed the following star levels to attend course:

- Silver Star Level
 - Fullbore Marksmanship Phase II
- Gold Star
 - Military Band - Advanced Musician
 - Pipe Band - Advanced Musician
 - Cadet Leadership and Challenge
 - Maple Leaf Exchange (England)
 - RCAC National Rifle Team
 - Basic Parachutist
 - ACE (All)

NATIONAL COURSE INFORMATION

Fullbore Marksmanship Phase II / Leadership & Challenge Course

9 July - 17 August

National Rifle Team (Bisley): 28 Jun – 27 Aug

Maple Leaf Exchange: 9 – 27 July

Army Cadet History Tour: 26 Jul – 4 Aug

Basic Parachutist Course: 3 -29 Jul

Course dates do not include travel days. Cadets must be prepared to travel up to 2 days prior and after course dates.

Military Band – Advanced Musician (Albert Head, Vernon, HMCS Quadra CTCs)

Pipe Band - Advanced Musician (Rocky Mountain CTC)

- To gain the knowledge and skills required of a band instructor
- Provide an opportunity to develop instructional skill and style
- Enhance skills playing and leading in a Corps band

Prerequisite: Musician Proficiency Level 2

Fullbore Marksmanship – Phase II (Connaught CTC)

- The cadet will achieve the Fullbore Marksman Phase II qualification and will further develop specialist skills and knowledge that will allow them to compete as an individual in a fullbore marksmanship competition.
- This qualification is the second phase in the preparation and selection of cadets for competitive fullbore marksmanship at an international level.

Cadet Leadership and Challenge (Rocky Mountain CTC)

- To provide a unique advanced leadership and challenge development activities
- To prepare cadets to accept the responsibilities of leaders at Cadet Corps and Cadet Training Centres

Maple Leaf Exchange (England) Army Cadet Voyage in History Tour (TBD)

- To develop leadership skills
- To be introduced to the Cadet or Military programs of host countries
- To participate in cultural activities

RCACC National Rifle Team (Connaught CTC)

- To provide the opportunity to compete in National/ International large bore competitions
- To introduce cadets to the British Army Cadet Training Program
- To participate in cultural activities

Basic Parachutist Course (Trenton CTC)

- To qualify as a CAF Basic Military Parachutist

NATIONAL COURSE ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Military Band – Advanced Musician

- Qualified Proficiency Level II

Pipe Band – Advanced Musician

- Qualified Proficiency Level III

Leadership & Challenge

- Min CFAIP Bronze (for age group)
- Able to swim with a PFD

Basic Parachutist

- Passed Para PT Test
- Meet CF medical standards

RCAC National Rifle Team

- Min CFAIP Bronze (for age group)
- Functional in English
- Selected from previous course

Exchanges

- Fitness standard IAW CATO 42-05
- Functional in English

Fullbore Marksmanship Phase II

- Selected from previous course

ADVANCED TRAINING INFORMATION

- Exchanges are difficult and challenging!
- Cadets must be able to adapt to a different culture. This can be uncomfortable!
- The food is different, accommodations are different and that is part of the challenge
- Cadet must be willing to accept this when applying for exchanges

Staff Cadet Opportunities

- Senior Cadets will be used in a variety of training and support roles at a CTC in the ranks of Sgt to CWO
- Must be 16 years of age by 1 Jan of the year of employment
- Competitive pay based on the rank of employment
- Opportunity to gain leadership skills

Who conducts and supervises the courses?

- Members of the Cadet Organization and Administration Service (COATS) including Cadet Instructor Cadre, and Civilian Instructors, Regular Force, Primary Reserve members, and civilian contractors
- Senior cadets are also employed as staff cadets to assist with supervision and instruction

What is life at camp like?

- Close quarters with cadets from all over Canada
- Meals in mess halls
- Busy training days
- “Down time” in the evenings
- Home sickness / calling home
- Personal hygiene (care for yourself)
- Laundry and uniform care
- Make great friendships
- Learn fantastic skills
- Receive training bonus (\$60/week)

As a Parent, what should I expect?

- May receive anguished calls or texts from your cadet if they're homesick
- Best advice: TRUST the staff at the CTC to take good care of your cadet – do not try to interfere
- Little or no phone calls / texts from your cadet – This is a sign that they are enjoying themselves – Don't Panic!
- Leave Passes / visitation is granted at specific times only so as not to interfere with training – CALL AHEAD
- If you've been doing your cadet's laundry and ironing – STOP! They must do it themselves at the CTC

How are cadets selected?

- Cadets submit their list of choices to the Corps staff
- The Corps staff must create applications in Fortress (a digital database)
- Cadets and parents need to be aware that medical/participation limitations (including allergies and asthma) may prevent or limit selection for CTC courses
- Incomplete personal or medical information in Fortress can also prevent or delay selection

Cont...

THE SELECTION PROCESS

- The Corps CO reviews each cadet's application and prioritizes them based on attendance, merit and level of participation in Corps activities and other factors
- Cadets are course loaded by RCSU using the priority list as a guideline, however, there are limited positions available (positions are created at Cadet Training Centres for approx. 30% of cadets enrolled)
- Corps are notified of cadet selections by 1 April

***Not all cadets will get the opportunity to attend summer training.
Selection is based on performance at the Corps.***

Completing the Course Application

Every year cadets are not selected because of incomplete information in Fortress. Please read the application thoroughly. Here are some specific items to pay particular attention to:

- **Contact Information:** Ensure that your current phone numbers and email addresses are on file with the Corps by completing the annual validation form

APPLICATION PROCESS

- **Additional Information:** If you do not know the information required check with the Corps staff. They can provide the information available in Fortress or your personal folder.
- **Medical Health Changes:** If your medical information has changed you will need to fill out a Detailed Health Questionnaire. The medical information must be the most current available.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Corps Deadline: 23 Jan 2018

- Corps will set their own deadline prior to the RCSU deadline in order to allow time for the staff to prioritize and enter the applications into Fortress

RCSU Deadline: 31 Jan 2018

- Any applications entered into Fortress after this date will still be considered, however, they will be placed at the bottom of the priority list
- **Note:** Application deadlines for National Courses and Staff Cadets is **15 Jan 2018.**

What happens when I have been selected?

- Corps staff will notify you of your selection and present you with an “Offer of Participation”
- It is extremely important that you review all the information on this form to make sure it is correct. Make any corrections necessary.
- Ensure that all other sections of the form are completed including:
 - Leave pass restrictions
 - Alternate Family or Friend Contact
 - Cadet signature
 - Parent Signature
 - Both the cadet and the parent must sign the offer

SELECTION PROCESS

...Cont.

- The Corps staff will keep a copy of the Offer, and the cadet must bring a copy to the CTC
- Corps staff will submit your answer (accept or decline) into Fortress
- Travel Orders will be issued as soon as travel has been arranged by the RCSU. Corps staff will be able to print them from Fortress
- Joining Instructions will be available to provide detailed information on each of the CTCs as well as kit lists, contact information etc..

How do cadets get to and from the training centres?

- All transportation is organized and paid for by DND
- Cadets may travel by bus, commercial air, or DND air
- Cadets are escorted or met on all legs of their journey when travelling in large groups. For smaller groups adult escorts will be based on location and duration
- If parents request special transportation arrangements, (or RTU), they may be financially responsible
- The dates listed are course dates and cadets may travel up to two days prior and following the course dates

**Please direct any questions to our
Corps contact**

Captain Kaj Boysen

co@northshorearmycadets.com

QUESTIONS?

cadets.ca

