

Lightning Academy

Small Unit Ranger Tactics Program

Course Description and Joining Instructions

1. Description. Training is provided by the Lightning Academy, HHBN, 25th ID, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. The 25th ID Small Unit Ranger Tactics (SURT) Program serves as a progressive physical and tactical program designed to prepare 25th ID Soldiers to be successful during the Ranger Assessment Phase and Darby Phase of Ranger School.

2. Who. SURT is open to all 25th ID Soldiers, NCOs, Officers, and partner service members attending Ranger School. There is a maximum of 50 participants in each class. INDO-PACOM personnel from all branches have priority for this course. Other installations (incl. Reserve and National Guard) must contact 25th ID G3 Schools at (808) 655-8765 for availability and enrollment.

3. Prerequisites. Students attending this course must meet all prerequisites listed under the Fort Benning Airborne and Ranger Training Brigade (ARTB) Website and volunteer to attend the Ranger Class date immediately following the SURT program. Applicants must have one year of service remaining on active duty upon completion of the course.

4. When. SURT spans three weeks, consisting of 20 active training days. The initial report time is NLT 1300 hours on Day Zero of each course. Day Zero occurs on the Wednesday prior to Day One (the following Monday). There are no course requirements Thursday to Sunday following Day Zero.

5. Where. SURT is located at the Lightning Academy Classroom Building (Building 8021, 2491 California Ave, Wahiawa, HI 96857-5000).

6. Administrative.

a. In-processing. Report date and time is NLT 1300 on Day Zero of training. Students will report in ACU/OCP/JUNGLES with Ranger School packet complete, completed Student packet (LA 100 and ERB/SRB/ORB). Students must have their complete LA 100 and ERB/SRB/ORB on hand when reporting to both Day Zero and Day One to confirm remaining time until DEROS and course eligibility. **This is a resident course and sponsor attendance is mandatory at both Day Zero and Day One.** Students will be billeted on Camp Lightning proper for the duration of the course.

b. Equipment. Students must have the full Ranger School Packing List as found on the ARTB Website under the "Student Information" folder, on Day One of the SURT program, as well as the additional SURT TA-50 packing list. Soldiers are required to supply all equipment IAW the most current packing list.

c. Students with a physical profile will not be allowed to enter the course.

d. Enrollment. All slots are reserved in ATRRS through G3 Schools (Comm: 808-655-8765), however wait status packets will be accepted prior to the enrollment

suspense date after all ATRRS slots are filled. Walk-ons are accepted if all ATRRS slots are not filled. Walk-ons will be subsequently enrolled in ATRRS. Submit Student's name for inclusion into SURT by submitting the Student packet (LA 100, SRB/ERB/ORB) and Ranger School packet, complete, to 25th ID G3 Schools NLT 5 days prior to Day Zero. Off-island Students will submit the complete packet NLT 14 business days prior to Day Zero.

e. Privately-owned vehicles (POV) are an authorized means of transportation IAW the training schedule.

f. Out-processing. The following must be completed before the Student is released from the course, regardless of the circumstances: all hand receipt items issued to the Student will be returned to LA; Students will fill out an end-of-course-critique (EOCC) to provide honest, constructive feedback to the SURT Cadre.

g. Each SURT class is aligned to graduate one week prior to the start of the next Ranger Class, which all graduating Students will then be slotted to attend—there is no deferment to subsequent Ranger Classes (timeline has been extended temporarily due to Covid-19 in order to accommodate Camp Cornett policy and other related quarantine/ROM requirements).

h. The most up-to-date documents and resources, including the SURT Packing Lists, can be found at the Lightning Academy website:

<https://home.army.mil/hawaii/index.php/25thID/units/lightning-academy> and the ARTB Website: <https://www.benning.army.mil/Infantry/ARTB/Student-Information>.

7. Class Schedule. The SURT Program class schedule for FY22 is as follows:

CLASS SCHEDULE

Class #	Day Zero	Start Date (Day One)	Grad Date	Packet Suspense
01-22	1 Sep 21	6 Sep 21	24 Sep 21	1 Sep 21
02-22	29 Sep 21	4 Oct 21	22 Oct 21	29 Sep 21
03-22	1 Dec 21*	4 Dec 21*	22 Dec 21*	1 Dec 21*
04-22	22 Dec 21	27 Dec 21	14 Jan 22	22 Dec 21
05-22	12 Jan 22	17 Jan 22	4 Feb 22	12 Jan 22
06-22	9 Mar 22	14 Mar 22	1 Apr 22	9 Mar 22
07-22	6 Apr 22	11 Apr 22	29 Apr 22	6 Apr 22
08-22	11 May 22	16 May 22	3 Jun 22	11 May 22
09-22	8 Jun 22	13 Jun 22	1 Jul 22	8 Jun 22
10-22	6 Jul 22	11 Jul 22	29 Jul 22	6 Jul 22
11-22	3 Aug 22	8 Aug 22	26 Aug 22	3 Aug 22

*In the event of a discrepancy between this document and the published “Lightning Academy FY22 Course Schedule”, this class schedule should be considered inaccurate/outdated.

*Class #03-22 adjusted IOT account for unit block leave/holiday.

*Failure at Ranger School requires full attendance to SURT Program for another Ranger School date.

*Students' sponsors will have until 1600 hrs on Day One to correct packing list deficiencies and deliver them to Lightning Academy. Any Student will deficient in any packing list item will be dismissed from the course.