

# Lightning Academy Waterborne Operations Castmaster Course

**1. Training provided by The Lightning Academy, HHBN, 25<sup>th</sup> ID, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.**

**2. Description.** The Castmaster Master Course consists of 5 active training days and is designed to provide parent units with subject matter expert Non-Commissioned Officers (NCO) and junior Officers in the full spectrum of Castmaster Duties. Students will become proficient on safety requirements, equipment familiarization, duties and responsibilities both day and night, and emergency procedures. Students will also be familiarized with Caving Ladder extractions, CRRC insertions, and wet SPIES extractions using multiple A/C frames.

**3. Eligibility.** The Lightning Academy Castmaster (CM) Course is open to all NCOs and Officers in the grade of E5 (SGT) – E9, and O1 – O4. 25<sup>th</sup> ID personnel from all branches have priority for this course. Other installations (to include Reserve and National Guard personnel) must contact 25<sup>th</sup> ID G3 Schools (Comm: 808-655-7141 or -7148) for availability and enrollment.

**4. Prerequisites.** Students must have a periodic health assessment within the last 12 months (IAW AR 40-501), have a minimum profile serial of 111121 (PULHES), and meet Army height and weight standards IAW AR 600-9 and APFT standards IAW FM 7-22 or service equivalent. Applicants must have one year service remaining on active duty upon completion of the course. Students must also be a graduate of one of the following: Rappel Master Course, FRIES/SPIES Master Course, or Jumpmaster School.

**5. Location/Time.** The CM Course is located at the Lightning Academy Air Assault School Building (Building 8021) and must report for in processing NLT 0800hrs on day one of the course.

**6. Administrative.**

- a. Soldiers are required to supply all equipment IAW the most current packing list.
- b. The CM Master Course is limited to 20 students; all slots are reserved through G3 Schools.
- c. Attendees will report for in processing at 0800 on the first day of training in the duty uniform with LA Form 100 and SRB.
- d. Privately owned vehicles (POV) are an authorized means of transportation IAW the training schedule.

