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Summary Report for Battle Drill Drill Task  
Drill Number: 07-SQD-D9515  
Drill Title: Conduct a Squad Assault  
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**Drill Data**

**Proponent:** 07 - Infantry (Collective)

**Drill Type:** Battle Drill

**Approved:**

**Obsolete:**

**Restricted Read:** No

**Route To ArmyU Reviewer:** No

**ArmyU Reviewed:** N/A

**ArmyU Comments:**

**Safety Level:** Extremely High

**Conditions:**

The squad is conducting operations in a live training environment independently or as part of a platoon or larger force. The squad is part of a movement to contact or an attack. The enemy initiates direct fire contact. Some iterations of this task should be performed in MOPP 4 and at night.

**Standards:**

The squad conducts an assault according to ATP 3-21.8. The squad locates and suppresses the enemy, establishes supporting fire, and assaults the enemy position using fire and maneuver. The squad destroys or causes the enemy to withdraw and conducts consolidation and reorganization.

**Drill Statements:**

# DANGER

None

# WARNING

None

# CAUTION

None

**Safety:** In a training environment, leaders must perform a risk assessment in accordance with current Risk Management Doctrine. Leaders will complete the current Deliberate Risk Assessment Worksheet in accordance with the TRADOC Safety Officer during the planning and completion of each task and sub-task by assessing mission, enemy, terrain and weather, troops and support available-time available and civil considerations, (METT-TC). Note: During MOPP training, leaders must ensure personnel are monitored for potential heat injury. Local policies and procedures must be followed during times of increased heat category in order to avoid heat related injury. Consider the MOPP work/rest cycles and water replacement guidelines IAW current CBRN doctrine. .

**Environment:** Environmental protection is not just the law but the right thing to do. It is a continual process and starts with deliberate planning. Always be alert to ways to protect our environment during training and missions. In doing so, you will contribute to the sustainment of our training resources while protecting people and the environment from harmful effects. Refer to the current Environmental Considerations manual and the current GTA Environmental-related Risk Assessment card. .

**Cue:** The drill begins when the enemy initiates direct fire contact.

**Coaching Point:** Always be aware of team members locations.

## TASK STEPS

1. The fire team in contact immediately returns well-aimed fire on the known enemy position and calls out the direction and distance of the enemy.

Note: Soldiers receiving fire take up the nearest positions that afford cover and concealment.

\* 2. The squad leader reports contact to the platoon leader.

3. The fire team in contact takes the following actions:

a. The team leader directs fires using tracers or standard fire commands.

b. Fire team Soldiers in contact move to positions (bound or crawl) where they can fire their weapons, position themselves to ensure that they have observation, field of fire, cover, and concealment.

c. Fire team Soldiers continue to fire and report known or suspected enemy positions to the fire team leader.

4. The fire team not in contact takes covered and concealed positions in place and observes the flanks and rear of the squad.

\* 5. The squad leader moves to a position to observe the enemy and assess the situation and then the following actions:

a. Reports the enemy size and location, and any other information to the platoon leader.

b. Requests through higher, immediate indirect fire support.

c. Determines if the fire team in contact can gain suppressive fire based on the volume and accuracy of the enemy fire.

6. The fire team in contact suppresses the enemy and the following actions take place:

a. The team leader identifies target reference points with the squad leader for shifting fires.

b. The fire team becomes the support by fire team.

c. The fire team continues suppression of the enemy as follows:

(1) The fire team leader continues to control fires using tracers or standard fire commands. Fires must be well-aimed and continue at a sustained rate with no lulls.

(2) The fire team destroys or suppresses enemy crew-served weapons first.

(3) The fire team places smoke (M203/320) on the enemy position to obscure it.

(4) Buddy teams alternate their fire so that both are not reloading their weapons at the same time.

\* 7. The squad leader moves to the fire team not in contact and-

Note: The fire team not in contact becomes the assault team.

a. Links up with the fire team leader not in contact.

b. Identifies the fire team not in contact as the assault team.

\* 8. The squad leader maneuvers the assault fire team into the assault position and the following actions take place:

- a. The squad leader adjusts fires (both direct and indirect) based on the rate of the assault element movement and the minimum safe distances of weapons systems.
  - b. The squad leader directs the forward observer, if available, to shift indirect fire, including smoke, to isolate the enemy position.
  - c. The squad leader gives the prearranged signal for the support by fire team to shift direct fires to the opposite flank of the enemy position.
  - d. The assault fire team assumes and maintains effective fires throughout the assault.
  - e. The support by fire team confirms the shift of direct fires with the prearranged signal.
9. The assault team fights through the enemy position using fire and maneuver and takes the following actions:
- a. The assault team leader controls the movement of the team.
  - b. The assault team conducts fire and maneuver based on volume and accuracy of enemy fires and the amount of cover afforded by the terrain as follows:
    - (1) Assault team leader designates a distance and direction for the assault team and moves with that element.
    - (2) Assault team leader directs Soldiers to move as individuals or teams.
    - (3) Soldiers maintain contact with team members and leaders.
    - (4) Soldiers move using 3- to 5-second rushes or the low or high crawl techniques, taking advantage of available cover and concealment.
    - (5) Soldiers time their firing and reloading to sustain their rate of fire.
10. The support by fire team maintains visual contact of the near flank of the assaulting team as the assaulting team conducts the assault.
11. If the assault element cannot continue to move, the squad leader positions the squad to suppress the enemy and reports to higher headquarters.
12. The squad consolidates and reorganizes as follows:
- a. The squad establishes local security.
  - b. The squad leader signals for the support by fire team to move up into designated positions.
  - c. The squad places out observation posts to warn of enemy counterattacks.
  - d. The squad leader assigns sectors of fire for each element.
  - e. The Soldiers establish hasty fighting positions.
  - f. The squad leader positions key weapons to cover the most dangerous avenue of approach.
  - g. The squad leader develops a quick fire plan.
  - h. The squad reestablishes the chain of command.

- i. The squad mans crew-served weapons and then individual weapons.
- j. The squad leader begins coordination for ammunition resupply.
- k. The squad leader consolidates ammunition, casualties and equipment reports.
- l. The squad redistributes and resupplies ammunition.
- m. The squad redistributes critical equipment such as radios, CBRN, and night vision devices.
- n. The squad treats and evaluates wounded.
- o. The squad searches, silences, segregates, safeguards, speeds, and tags detainees.

\* 13. The squad leader reports situation to the platoon leader.

(Asterisks indicates a leader performance step.)

### **TASK MEASURES**

1. The fire team in contact immediately returned well-aimed fire on known enemy positions and called out the direction and distance of the enemy.
  2. The squad leader reported contact to the platoon leader.
  3. The fire team in contact used tracers or fire commands and moved to positions that had observation, a field of fire, cover and concealment.
  4. The fire team not in contact took cover and concealed positions in place, and observed the flanks and rear of the squad.
  5. The squad leader moved to a position and observed the enemy and assessed the situation.
  6. The fire team in contact suppressed the enemy.
  7. The squad leader moved to the fire team not in contact.
  8. The squad leader maneuvered the assault fire team into the assault position.
  9. The assault team fought through the enemy position using fire and maneuver.
  10. The support by fire team maintained visual contact of the near flank of the assaulting team, as the assaulting team conducted the assault.
  11. If the assault element was stopped, the squad leader positioned the squad to suppress the enemy and reported to higher headquarters.
  12. The squad consolidated and reorganized.
  13. The squad leader reported the situation to the platoon leader.
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**Talk:**

**a.Orientation:** The objective of this battle drill is to conduct a squad assault and destroy the enemy.

**b.Safety:** Soldiers must be briefed on using well-aimed controlled fire, identifying threats, and commands.

**c.Demonstration:** If another squad has successfully performed this drill, have that squad demonstrate. During the demonstration, explain what is being done and why, using the performance measures as a guide. After the demonstration, summarize the actions performed by the demonstrating squad.

**d.Explanation:** (1) Refer to the performance measures and explain what each element leader and Soldier are required to do on enemy contact.

(2) Ensure that key leaders know and understand their duties and responsibilities pertaining to each portion of the drill.

(3) Ask if there are any questions pertaining to the drill. If so, ensure that all questions are answered before beginning to train the drill.

**e.Unit Instructions:** The squad is moving and the enemy initiates contact by direct fire.

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**Walk:**

1. Refer to the performance measures.

2. Have each squad and squad member perform their part slowly at first as the leader talks them through.

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**Run:**

**a.Run-Through Instructions:** The squad should practice this drill until they can perform it according to standard without using notes. Soldiers should conduct the initial run-through exercise slowly. The Soldiers should change positions to learn all steps and standards.

**b.Coaching Point:** Always be aware of team members locations.

**c.Performance Instructions:** When the platoon can perform this drill according to the standard, the platoon leader or platoon sergeant should evaluate them.

**Equipment (LIN)**

Step ID	LIN	Nomenclature	Qty
No equipment specified			

**Materiel Items (NSN)**

Step ID	NSN	LIN	Title	Qty
No materiel items specified				

**Support Personnel**

Personnel Type	Description	School	Qty	Remarks
No support personnel specified				

**TADSS**

Step ID	TADSS ID	Title	Product Type	Qty
	20-91	Games For Training (GFT) (Includes Virtual Battlespace 2 Training Simulation)	GFT	1
	07-129	Engagement Skills Trainer II (EST II)	SIM	1

**Supporting Individual Tasks**

Step ID	Task ID	Status	Task Title
	071-054-0004	Approved	Engage Targets with an M136 Launcher
	071-249-0003	Approved	Engage Targets with an M249 Machine Gun
	071-326-5610	Approved	Conduct Movement Techniques by a Squad
	071-COM-0030	Approved	Engage Targets with an M16-Series Rifle/M4-Series Carbine
	071-COM-0502	Approved	Move Under Direct Fire
	071-COM-0513	Approved	Select Hasty Fighting Positions
	071-COM-2130	Approved	Engage Targets with an M203 Grenade Launcher
	071-COM-4407	Approved	Employ Hand Grenades
	171-COM-4080	Approved	Send a Spot Report (SPOTREP)

**Prerequisite Individual Tasks**

Step ID	Task ID	Status	Task Title
No prerequisite individual tasks specified			

**Supporting Collective Tasks**

Step ID	Task ID	Status	Title
	07-SQD-1092	Approved	Conduct an Attack - Squad

**Prerequisite Collective Tasks**

Step ID	Task ID	Status	Title
No prerequisite collective tasks specified			

**Supporting Drill Tasks**

Step ID	Drill ID	Status	Drill Title
No supporting drill tasks specified			



**OPFOR**

<b>Task Number</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Status</b>
71-CO-8507	OPFOR Execute Defense of a Complex Battle Position	Approved

**REFERENCES**

<b>Step Number</b>	<b>Reference ID</b>	<b>Reference Name</b>	<b>Required</b>	<b>Primary</b>	<b>Source Information</b>
	ATP 3-21.8	Infantry Platoon and Squad	Yes	Yes	

## Training Setup

The training site should be an area large enough to accommodate squad dismounted fire and movement.

## Training Facilities

Facility ID	Facility Name	Facility Type
No Training Facilities		

## DODIC

DODIC	Name	Qty
No DODIC		

## Associated Documents

Media ID	Media Type	Title	Subtitle
No Associated Documents			

## GLOSSARY TERMS

Glossary Term	Definition
No glossary terms specified	

## ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Acronym/Abbreviation	Definition
MOPP	mission-oriented protective posture
SOP	standing operating procedure