

ART 7.2.2 Conduct an Area Defense

The area defense concentrates on denying an enemy force access to designated terrain for a specific time rather than destroying the enemy outright. The bulk of the defending force combines static defensive positions, engagement areas, and small, mobile reserves to retain ground. Keys to successful area defenses include effective and flexible control, synchronization, and distribution of fires. Area defenses can also be part of a larger mobile defense. (FM 3-90) (USACAC)

NO.	Scale	Measure
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Supporting Collective Tasks:

Task No.	Title	Proponent	Echelon
01-6-0416	Conduct Aviation Missions as part of an Area Defense	01 - Aviation/Aviation Logistics (Collective)	Brigade
07-2-1378	Defend in an Urban Area (Platoon-Company)	07 - Infantry (Collective)	Company
07-2-9003	Conduct a Defense (Platoon-Company)	07 - Infantry (Collective)	Company
07-6-1028	Conduct a Defense (Battalion - Brigade)	07 - Infantry (Collective)	Brigade
07-6-1225	Employ a Reserve Force (Battalion - Brigade)	07 - Infantry (Collective)	Brigade
63-7-2916	Plan Base Defenses	63 - Multifunctional Logistics (Collective)	Division (TOE)
71-8-7220	Conduct an Area Defense (Division - Corps)	71 - Combined Arms (Collective)	Corps