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Summary Report for Battle Drill Drill Task  
Drill Number: 07-SQD-D9509  
Drill Title: Enter and Clear a Room - Squad  
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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:** High

**Conditions:**

The squad is conducting operations in a live training environment as part of a platoon or larger force. The squad receives an order to clear a room. Enemy personnel are believed to be in the building. Noncombatants may be present in the building and are possibly intermixed with the enemy personnel. The squad has support and security elements positioned at the initial foothold and outside the building. Some iterations of this task should be performed in MOPP 4 and at night.

**Standards:**

The squad enters and clears a room according to ATP 3-21.8. The squad clears and secures the room by killing or capturing the enemy while minimizing friendly casualties, noncombatant casualties, and collateral damage. The squad complies with the rules of engagement (ROE), maintains a sufficient fighting force to repel an enemy counterattack, and continues operations.

**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:** This drill begins on the order of the squad leader to enter and clear a room.

**Note:** If the squad is conducting high-intensity combat operations and grenades are being used, the squad must comply with the ROE and consider the building structure. A Soldier of the clearing team prepares at least one grenade (fragmentation, concussion, or stun grenade), throws the grenade into the room and announces, FRAG OUT or STUN OUT. Soldiers can be injured from fragments if walls and floors are thin or damaged.

- Coaching Point:**
1. The squad is conducting operations as part of a platoon or larger force and grenades are being used, the squad must comply with the ROE and consider the building structure.
  2. During clearing operations the Soldiers enter immediately after the grenade detonates. Both Soldiers enter firing aimed bursts into their sectors engaging all threats or hostile targets to cover their entry.
  3. Squad and team leader caution Soldiers about the hazards that ricochets pose.

## TASK STEPS

\* 1. The squad leader—

- a. Occupies a position to best control the security and clearing teams.
- b. Directs a security team to secure corridors or hallways outside the room with appropriate firepower.
- c. Identifies the entry point.
- d. Gives the clearing team leader an order to clear the room.

Note: If the squad is conducting high-intensity operations and grenades are being used, the unit must comply with the ROE and consider the building structure. A Soldier of the clearing team prepares at least one grenade (fragmentation, concussion, or stun grenade), throws the grenade into the room, and announces: FRAG OUT or STUN OUT. The use of grenades should be consistent with the ROE and building structure. Soldiers can be injured from fragments if walls and floors are thin or damaged.

\* 2. The team leader (normally the number two Soldier) does the following:

- a. Takes a position to best control the clearing team outside the room.
- b. Determines the method of entry into the room.
- c. Gives the signal to enter and clear the room.

3. The first two Soldiers enter the room with the second Soldier immediately after the first Soldier as follows: (See figure 1.)

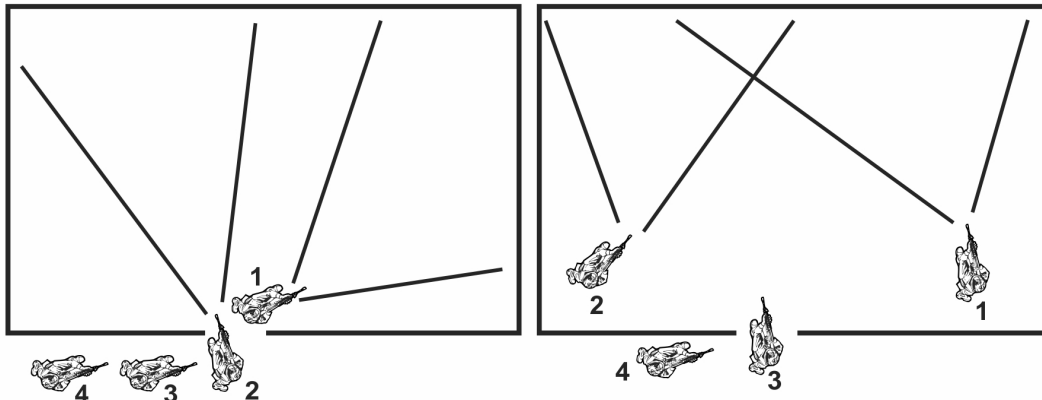


Figure 1. Clear a room, first Soldier immediately followed by second Soldier

a. The first Soldier enters the room, moves left or right along the path of least resistance to one of two corners, and assumes a position of domination facing into the room. During movement, the Soldier scans the sector and eliminates all immediate threats.

b. The second Soldier (normally the clearing team leader) enters the room immediately after the first Soldier and moves in the opposite direction of the first Soldier to a point of domination. During movement, the Soldier eliminates all immediate threats in the sector.

Note: During high-intensity combat, the Soldiers enter immediately after the grenade detonates. Both Soldiers enter while firing aimed bursts into their sectors, engaging all threats or hostile targets to cover their entry.

If the first or second Soldier discovers the room is small or a short room (such as a closet or bathroom), he announces, **SHORT ROOM** or **SHORT**. The clearing team leader informs the third and fourth Soldiers whether or not to stay outside the room or to enter.

4. The third Soldier moves in the opposite direction of the second Soldier while scanning and clearing the sector and assuming the point of domination. (See figure 2.)

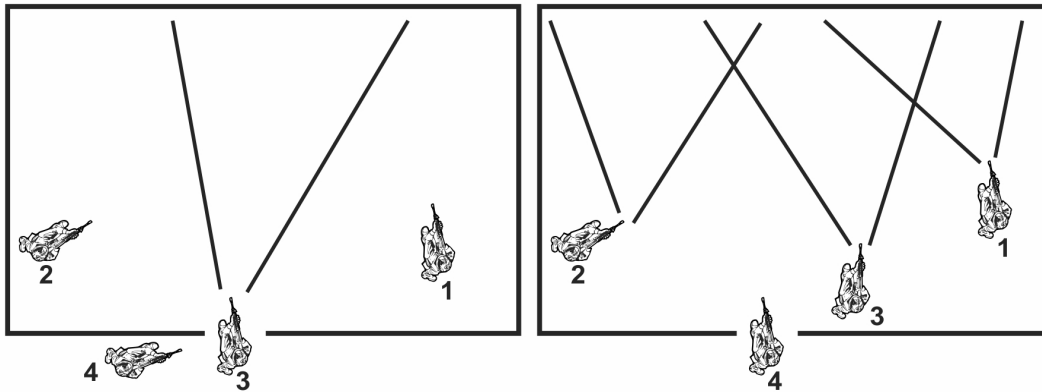


Figure 2. Clear a room, third Soldier enters clearing their sector

5. The fourth Soldier moves opposite of the third Soldier to a position dominating their sector. (See figure 3.)

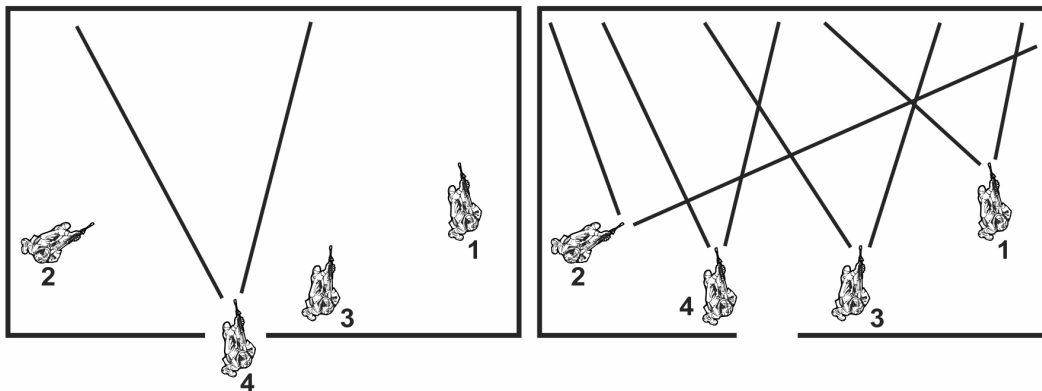


Figure 3. Clear a room, fourth Soldier enters clearing their sector

6. All Soldiers engage enemy combatants with precision-aimed fire and identify noncombatants to avoid collateral damage.

Note: If necessary or on order, number one and two Soldiers of the clearing team may move deeper into the room while overwatched by the other team members.

\* 7. The clearing team leader scans and clears the room by—

- a. Ensuring all threats are neutralized.
- b. Ensuring all noncombatants are secured.
- c. Announcing, CLEAR to the squad leader when the room is clear.
- d. Establishing security.

\* 8. The squad leader directs the security team to continue to secure the corridor or hallway.

\* 9. The squad leader enters the room and—

- a. Makes a quick assessment of the room and threat.
- b. Determines if the squad has firepower to continue clearing their assigned sector.
- c. Reports to the platoon leader that the room is clear.
- d. Requests needed sustainment to continue clearing the squad's sector.

e. Marks entry point according to the unit SOP.

10. The squad consolidates and reorganizes, as needed.

(Asterisks indicates a leader performance step.)

### **TASK MEASURES**

1. Squad leader occupied a position, directed the security team, identified the entry point, and gave the clearing team an order.
  2. Team leader took a position, determined a method of entry, and gave the command to enter and clear the room.
  3. The first two Soldiers entered the room with the second Soldier immediately after the first Soldier.
  4. The third Soldier moved in the opposite direction of the second Soldier while they scanned and cleared their sector and assumed the point of domination.
  5. The fourth Soldier moved opposite of the third Soldier to a position dominating their sector.
  6. All Soldiers engaged enemy combatants with precision-aimed fire and identified noncombatants that avoided collateral damage.
  7. The clearing team leader scanned and cleared the room.
  8. Squad leader directed the security team to continue to secure the corridor or hallway.
  9. Squad leader entered the room and conducted follow through.
  10. The squad consolidated and reorganized, as needed.
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## **Talk:**

**a.Orientation:** The objective of this squad drill is to enter and clear a room occupied by the enemy and possibly noncombatants. During a platoon mission to clear a building, squads will be required to enter and clear rooms within the building. Squads must be prepared to clear the room using high intensity combat or precision techniques according to orders, and escalation of force procedures.

**b.Safety:** Squads must be briefed on hand grenade safety, controlled fires, identifying threats, and commands. The use of grenades should be consistent with the ROE and building structure.

**c.Demonstration:** If another squad has successfully performed this drill, have that squad demonstrate entering the room using both high intensity combat and precision techniques. During the demonstration, focus on hand grenade safety, movement as buddy teams, and commands. After the demonstration, summarize the actions performed by the demonstrating squad.

**d.Explanation:** 1. Refer to the performance measures and explain what each team member is required to do when entering the room and as they clear the room.

2. Ensure that key leaders and special teams 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 conducting operations as part of a platoon or larger unit and your four Soldier team has been given the mission to clear a room. Enemy personnel are believed to be in building.

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## **Walk:**

1. Refer to the performance measures.

2. Have each 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:** 1. The squad is conducting operations as part of a platoon or larger force and grenades are being used, the squad must comply with the ROE and consider the building structure.

2. During clearing operations the Soldiers enter immediately after the grenade detonates. Both Soldiers enter firing aimed bursts into their sectors engaging all threats or hostile targets to cover their entry.

3. Squad and team leader caution Soldiers about the hazards that ricochets pose.

**c.Performance Instructions:** When the squad 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
	071-326-0557	Approved	Select a Hasty Fighting Position during Urban Operations
	071-440-0028	Approved	Engage Targets During an Urban Operation
	071-440-0031	Approved	Employ Hand Grenades During an Urban Operation
	071-COM-0030	Approved	Engage Targets with an M16-Series Rifle/M4-Series Carbine
	071-COM-0608	Approved	Use Visual Signaling Techniques
	113-COM-1022	Approved	Perform Voice Communications

**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**



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

**REFERENCES**

Step Number	Reference ID	Reference Name	Required	Primary	Source Information
	ATP 3-21.8	Infantry Platoon and Squad	Yes	Yes	
	ATTP 3-06.11	Combined Arms Operations in Urban Terrain	Yes	No	

## 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
ROE	rules of engagement
SOP	standing operating procedure