

Officer Basic Course (OBC) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

- Question:** Who is eligible to take the Officer Basic Course?
Answer: Senior members who have completed Level I and cadets who have their Mitchell Award
- Question:** Does the OBC satisfy the activity requirement at Phase IV (Eaker Award) like ADL-13 did?
Answer: Not at this time. However, cadets completing the Officer Basic Course and carry over the credit to their senior member record.
- Question:** Can I drop my current ADL-13 enrollment and enroll in the Officer Basic Course?
Answer: We encourage members presently enrolled in ADL-13 to finish the course.
- Question:** When is the last day in which members can enroll in ADL-13?
Answer: Senior deadline is 31 December 09, cadet deadline is 1 March 10.
- Question:** Can I take the Officer Basic Course even though I've completed ADI-13?
Answer: Yes.
- Question:** Why can't I start the Officer Basic Course as soon as I enroll?
Answer: The course is designed around specific start dates to ensure the even flow of members through the system. New groups start every six weeks to ensure this flow. Additionally, we have been allocated a certain percentage of Blackboard slots, and while it's the largest percentage of all courses to be offered, slots are limited to give other courses room.
- Question:** How long do I have to complete the Officer Basic Course?
Answer: 90 days from your group (cohort) start date. For instance, if your start date is 1 January, you will have until 31 March to complete the course.
- Question:** What are the start dates for the Officer Basic Course?
Answer: 1 January, 15 February, 1 April, 15 May, 1 July, 15 August, 1 October, 15 November
- Question:** How am I assigned a start date?
Answer: After your eligibility is verified, you will be slotted on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Question:** What happens if I don't complete the Officer Basic Course within 90 days?
Answer: You will have to re-enroll and begin again.

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11. **Question:** How long does it take to complete the Officer Basic Course?
Answer: There are 40 lessons divided between three learning blocks. Each lesson lasts not longer than 30-minutes. Target is 20 hours to complete the course, and you'll have 90 days to do so. ADL-13 was estimated to take 37 hours.
12. **Question:** Are there tests in the Officer Basic Course?
Answer: Yes. You will be required to take a 10-question, multiple-choice quiz after each lesson; however the quizzes are open-book, open-note. In other words, you are free to print the lesson and any attachments/notes before taking the quiz. There is NO end-of course exam. Passing score for each quiz is 80%, and you may re-test as often as you need.
13. **Question:** What is the passing score for the Officer Basic Course quizzes?
Answer: 80%, however the quizzes are pen-book, open-note.
14. **Question:** How many Officer Basic Course lesson quizzes must I pass in order to complete the course?
Answer: All of them.
15. **Question:** Can I test out of an Officer Basic Course lesson?
Answer: Yes. Scroll down to the end of the lesson and follow the directions to test.
16. **Question:** Can I waive lessons in the Officer Basic Course?
Answer: No; while you can try to test out of a lesson, all lessons must be completed (quizzes passed) in order to complete the course.
17. **Question:** Can the Officer Basic Course be waived in recognition of military PME just as ADL-13 was?
Answer: Yes, the same exceptions apply.