

# Air National Guard CY2021 U.S. Army Ranger Training Opportunity

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# ANNOUNCEMENT

**ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER:** 2021-997

**OPEN PERIOD:** 1 July – 28 Aug 2020

NGB is now accepting CY21 applications for the U.S. Army Ranger Training Development Opportunity. Applicants will be screened based on anticipated long-term return to the Air National Guard. Adjutants General, Commanders, and Command Chiefs play pivotal roles in the nomination process. Nominees must be enlisted, SrA (with waiver) and above, any AFSC.

**Application Procedures:** Applicants *MUST* follow the application requirements specified in this announcement; do not use any other application procedures. NGB/HRT will provide Joint-Force Headquarters (JFHQ) submission instructions prior to the open application period. Applicants *MUST* review the CY21 Enlisted Development Portfolio located at <http://www.ang.af.mil/Careers/Force-Development/>, right-hand side, under ‘Announcements,’ and check specific course eligibility requirements and information.

**Qualification and Selection:** Selected individuals will be identified on the CY21 Development Selection Memorandum, which will be distributed to The Adjutants General (TAG) and Directors of Staff (DoS). NGB/HRT will issue training-line numbers (TLNs) for those individuals. Applicants *NOT* identified on the selection memorandum may be considered alternates and will be contacted by NGB/HRT if seats become available.

**Funding:** All development opportunities are subject to availability of funds. The U.S. Army Ranger Training is school-day funded.

**Timeline:**

Early Summer: Announcement distributed to TAGs/DoS/MPMOs/FSS

Summer: JFHQ submits applications and stratification memos to NGB/HRT

Fall: Panels convene, applications reviewed, selectees placed

Winter: Selection memo sent to TAGs/DoS/MPMOs/FSS; TLNs issued

*Find all Applications and Templates (Letter of Intent, Endorsement, TAG Stratification), Waiver, Fitness Assessment at the site below; right-hand side, under ‘Announcements:’*

<https://www.ang.af.mil/Careers/Force-Development/>

## ELIGIBILITY

- A. **Rank:** SrA and Above; SrA **MUST** submit a rank waiver: right-hand side under ‘Announcements’ at: <https://www.ang.af.mil/Careers/Force-Development/>
- B. **AFSC:** Any
- C. **Physical Requirements:** to qualify for U.S. Army Ranger Training, applicants must pass a Ranger Fitness Assessment, which is valid for twelve (12) months. The test administrator must record the scores on the Ranger Fitness Assessment Scoresheet, which consists of the following:
1. 49 push-ups within two minutes
  2. 59 sit-ups within two minutes
  3. 5-mile run in under 40 minutes
  4. 6 pull-ups (palms in)
  5. 12-mile ruck march with 35lbs dry weight in less than 3 hours
  6. Combat Water Survival Assessment, Land Navigation, Ranger Task Training, Patrol & Peer Evaluations
- D. **Medical Requirements:** Members may work through their State Command Chief Master Sergeant (CCM) for assistance with completing medical requirements. **Completion of these forms is required prior to an application being submitted. Do not send medical forms with the application.** Medical forms will be required upon arrival at training. Applicants are required to complete a Ranger Physical - valid for eighteen (18) months - and obtain the following completed/signed forms:

**DD Form 2807-1**  
**DD Form 2808**  
**DD Form 2216E**

Review the full listing of medical requirements at:

[www.benning.army.mil/infantry/ARTB/StudentInformation/Medical.html](http://www.benning.army.mil/infantry/ARTB/StudentInformation/Medical.html)

- E. **Packing List:** Selected members must bring ALL mandatory items on the packing list, located at: <https://www.benning.army.mil/infantry/ARTB/Student-Information/content/XLS/PackingList.xlsx?29OCT2019>

Necessary packing items may be obtained through the state Central Issuing Facility (CIF). **Airmen who arrive to the course without ALL mandatory items will be returned to their wing.** An exception to the required packing list is the OCP uniform.

Airmen are allowed to bring ABUs, but must have the appropriate quantity of each uniform item. To better assist their Airmen in accomplishing Pre-Course Requirements, State Command Chief Master Sergeants (CCM) can seek assistance from the State Command Sergeant Major or State Command Senior Enlisted Leader.

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must adhere to any local policies, internal procedures, and suspenses. Do **NOT** include any other endorsements, letters of recommendations, or other extraneous documents. **ALL** applications, templates, waiver forms, and fitness assessments are at: <https://www.ang.af.mil/Careers/Force-Development/>

- A. **Application Worksheet:** Complete in its entirety.
  - B. **Squadron CC/Directorate Endorsement Letter:** Limit to 1 page, Times New Roman, 12 font
  - C. **vMPF Record Review/Update (all pages):** Must be no more than 60 days old at the time of submission. Data Verification Briefs (DVB) or RIPs from MilPDS **WILL NOT** be accepted. Applicant must ensure their personnel information is correct in vMPF, to include civilian degrees, PME completion, etc. This file is the official source the panel will use to review your record.
  - D. **AFFMS II Fitness Printout (with full history):** Must reflect current, passing score as of the date of application. Selected candidates may be required to provide an updated fitness printout prior to course start date.
  - E. **Ranger Fitness Assessment Scoresheet**
  - F. **Memo Validating Completion of Ranger Physical:** See med requirements on page 3, paragraph D
  - G. **Ranger Training Rank Waiver (E-4 only)**
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## SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

- A. NGB/HRT will distribute submission instructions to JFHQs prior to the open application window of 1 July 2020. All applications must be submitted by JFHQs to NGB/HRT no later than **28 August 2020**. NGB/HRT will **NOT** return any applications for correction. Applicants must adhere to all application requirements and submission instructions contained in this announcement.
- B. All documents must have the complete Social Security Number (SSN) redacted and all documents must be consolidated into a single PDF. Do **NOT** use the portfolio feature or add bookmarks to the PDF file. Submit documents in the order listed in 'C' below.
  - PDF Filename should be: 2021-997-Last Name, First Initial Middle Initial, Rank, State Abbreviation (Example: 2021-997-SmithJD, SSgt-MN)
- C. JFHQ or Directorate: Ensure application package is in the following order:  
MANDATORY DOCUMENTS FOR ALL PACKAGES:
  - 1. Application Worksheet
  - 2. Squadron CC/Directorate Endorsement Letter (limit to one page)
  - 3. vMPF Record Review/Update (all pages)
  - 4. AFFMS II Fitness Printout (with full history)
  - 5. Ranger Fitness Assessment Scoresheet
  - 6. Memo Validating Completion of Ranger Physical
  - 7. Ranger Training Rank Waiver (E-4 only)

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)**

**Q:** Are there opportunities for ANG Officers to attend the Ranger Training?

**A:** ANG currently only receives seats and provides funding for a limited number of enlisted members to attend Army Training.

**Q:** Who should I work with to complete the medical requirements?

**A:** Members may work through their State Command Chief Master Sergeant for assistance with completing the medical requirements.

**Q:** Who is authorized to administer the Ranger Fitness Assessment contained within this announcement?

**A:** It is recommended to have a U.S. Army individual administer the assessment; however, there are no specific qualifications on who may administer the assessment.

**Q:** Are the Ranger Fitness Assessment components required to be completed consecutively or within a specified time frame?

**A:** There is no requirement to complete the components of this assessment consecutively or within a specified time frame.

**Q:** How long is the Ranger Fitness Assessment valid for?

**A:** The Ranger Fitness Assessment is valid for 12 months from the date assessed.

**Q:** If I do not pass the Ranger Fitness Assessment, am I eligible to apply for this opportunity?

**A:** No. The purpose of the assessment is to ensure applicants are prepared for the physical requirements within the RTAC and U.S. Army Ranger Courses.

**Q:** Who is authorized to complete and sign the "Memo Validating Completion of Ranger Physical" and what format is required?

**A:** The Memorandum for Record (MfR) must be completed and signed by the applicant. Please follow Tongue & Quill format.

**Q:** If I pass the 16-day Ranger Assessment Training Course (RTAC), do I return home?

**A:** No. Upon successful completion of RTAC, members continue to the 62-day U.S. Army Ranger School.

**Q:** In the event that I do not pass RTAC, do I return home?

**A:** Yes. Members who do not pass RTAC will not be authorized to continue to the U.S. Army Ranger School.

**Q:** How will training line numbers (TLN) be issued for members selected for the U.S. Army Ranger Training?

**A:** Back-to-back TLNs will be issued for the RTAC and U.S. Army Rangers Course. In the event the member does not pass RTAC, the U.S. Army Rangers Course TLN will be canceled by NGB/HRT.

**Q:** How long is the Ranger Physical valid for?

**A:** The Ranger Physical is valid for 18 months upon being certified by a medical provider.