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AR 600-78, 14 August 1961, is changed as follows:

**11. Test subjects and events.**

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p. (Superseded) Physical combat proficiency tests will be administered and scored in accordance with C 2, TM 21-200. The individual must obtain a minimum of 325 out of 500 points for qualification.

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**SECTION I  
GENERAL**

- 1. Purpose of Expert Infantryman Badge test.**
  - a. To provide tangible recognition for the attainment of a high degree of professional skill, proficiency and excellence as an infantryman.
  - b. To promote esprit and provide incentive to greater effort.
- 2. Eligibility requirements.** Individuals must possess the following eligibility requirements:
  - a. A character rating of excellent.
  - b. An officer must be assigned or detailed to the basic branch of Infantry. He must be on active duty or assigned to an active unit in the reserve components.
  - c. A warrant officer must possess an Infantry MOS and his career monitored by the Infantry branch. He must be on active duty or assigned to an active unit in the reserve components.
  - d. An enlisted man must have an Infantry primary MOS. He must be on active duty or assigned to an active unit in the reserve components.
  - e. Individuals meeting the above requirements, and not serving with an Infantry unit, may be placed on TDY to the nearest testing headquarters for the purpose of taking the Expert Infantryman Badge test.

- 3. Authority to award.**
  - a. The following commanders are authorized to administer Expert Infantryman Badge tests and award the badge:
    - (1) Infantry division and separate brigade commanders.
    - (2) Infantry battle group or comparable unit commanders when separated geographically from their parent organizations or when this authority is so delegated by division.
    - (3) Separate Infantry unit commanders or their next higher headquarters.
    - (4) Commanders of United States Army training centers.
    - (5) Commandant, United States Army Infantry School.
  - b. The test prescribed in paragraph 11 will be conducted by a representative board of three Infantry officers and necessary noncommissioned assistants. This board will be appointed by the commander of the unit conducting the test. Board personnel will be selected from units not participating in the test wherever possible.
- 4. Frequency of tests.**
  - a. The Expert Infantryman Badge test will be conducted by authorized

\*These regulations supersede AR 600-73, 20 June 1958.

testing headquarters at least once during the training year. Major commanders are encouraged to conduct additional Expert Infantryman Badge tests as deemed necessary.

b. For purposes of these regulations, the training year is defined as a complete training cycle to include individual and unit training, field exercises and maneuvers and Army training tests. Interruptions to this training cycle will not be considered a part of the training year.

5. Preparation for test. Commanders are encouraged to integrate the Expert Infantryman Badge test events and subjects into the unit training program. Consideration will be given to scheduling individual training as required to prepare for the test.

6. Conduct of test subjects. There is no prescribed sequence for administering the test subjects or events. Commanders of testing headquarters will schedule required test subjects and events to coincide with their established training cycle or period, climatic conditions peculiar to the major command area and other considerations deemed appropriate by the commander.

7. Subjects on which tested. With the exception of the weapons qualification, tests for subjects listed in paragraph 11 will be prepared and conducted by the representative board. These tests will not be divulged to any person other than the testing commander or his representative(s). Satisfactory completion of all portions of the test is required for qualification.

## SECTION II

### RECORDING OF QUALIFICATIONS

8. Individual records. A record of qualification and achievements in test subjects and events in section III, for personnel being tested, will be prepared and maintained by the unit commander. Individual records will be maintained within the unit during the training year. At the end of this period, or upon transfer of individual candidates

beyond the jurisdiction of the testing headquarters, these records may be destroyed or otherwise disposed of by the unit commander. Credits accrued toward qualification for the Expert Infantryman Badge will not be transferred to units outside the jurisdiction of the testing headquarters. See paragraph 87, AR 672-5-1.

#### 9. Sample individual record.

NAME..... GRADE..... ASN.....  
UNIT.....

#### RECORD OF QUALIFICATION, EXPERT INFANTRYMAN BADGE

Subject	Score		Date	Signature of tester	Retest score		Date	Signature of tester

.....  
(Signature of unit commander)

*Notes.* This is a sample form for guidance only. Enter subjects or events in desired order. Indicate in score column "S" for satisfactory completion of subject; "U" for failure to qualify.

## SECTION III

### EXPERT INFANTRYMAN BADGE TEST SUBJECTS AND EVENTS

**10. General.** Pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 98, AR 672-5-1, qualifications for the Expert Infantryman Badge will include successful completion of the training and tests prescribed in these regulations.

**11. Test subjects and events.** *a. Weapon qualifications.* The individual must qualify:

- (1) As sharpshooter or better with his individual weapon or as a first class gunner or better with his crew-served weapon (for soldiers authorized to fire same for qualification).
- (2) With the bayonet over a course meeting the requirements outlined in FM 23-25.
- (3) In field stripping and assembling his individual weapon and one crew-served weapon.

*b. Forced road march.* Each individual will successfully complete a 12-mile road march, in 3 consecutive hours, carrying his individual weapon and a combat pack. Commander of the testing unit will prescribe the appropriate uniform. The combat pack will be in conformance with the SOP of the testing headquarters. Major area commanders may modify this requirement to meet local terrain and climatic conditions provided the modified test is equivalent in physical taxation to a 12-mile forced march.

*c. Military courtesy and discipline.* A written test of 20 questions (true-false or multiple choice) pertaining to the general subject of military courtesy and discipline will be given to all individuals. In addition, they will be tested in procedures listed below:

- (1) Reporting to the company commander.
- (2) Challenging as a sentry.
- (3) Statement of the general orders and explanation of their meaning.
- (4) Explanation of the articles of the Code of Conduct.

*d. First aid.* A written test of 15 questions (completion or multiple choice) compiled by the board pertaining to shock, care of the feet, methods of applying first aid for burns, blast injuries caused by a nuclear explosion and other emergency and health measures peculiar to the major testing command area. In addition, working in pairs, each individual will be tested in the procedures listed below:

- (1) Application of a tourniquet on another individual and subsequent care.
  - (2) Application of the contents of the first aid packet.
  - (3) Types and application of improvised splint to an arm or leg.
  - (4) The application of artificial respiration.
  - (5) Manual carries.
- e. Field sanitation and military hygiene.* Individual will be tested in the following:
- (1) Field methods of cleaning the mess gear.
  - (2) Demonstrating the method of purifying water with water purification tablets.
  - (3) Procedure for disposal of human and garbage waste in combat.
  - (4) Cause, prevention, and treatment of trench foot or immersion foot.
  - (5) Precautions for avoiding disease in the field.
  - (6) Cause of malaria and individual preventive measures.
- f. Demolitions, mines, and boobytraps.* Individual will be tested in the following:
- (1) Preparation and proper use of a dummy demolition charge.
  - (2) Knowledge of common types of anti-personnel and antitank mines.
  - (3) Method of locating mines by probing.
  - (4) Standard minefield marking signs and danger signs.
  - (5) Common types of boobytraps, and how to avoid them.
  - (6) Simple marking and reporting procedure for mines and boobytraps.
  - (7) Identification of different types of firing devices. (Candidate must identify at least 50 percent of displayed devices.)
- g. Patrolling.* Individual will be tested in the following:
- (1) Methods of observing and methods of changing positions.
  - (2) Selection of a day route and demonstrating proper method of movement and observation.
  - (3) Selection of a night route and demonstrating proper method of movement and observation.
  - (4) Arm and hand signals for squad and platoon.

(5) Combat formations for the squad and platoon.

*h. Map reading and compass course.* Individual will be tested in the following subjects:

- (1) Grid coordinates.
- (2) Orienting a map to the ground.
- (3) Common topographic symbols.
- (4) Common military symbols.
- (5) Measurement of map distances.
- (6) Determination of terrain elevations.
- (7) Determination of direction by use of stars and sun.
- (8) Compass course both day and night. (The day course will be from 1,500 to 2,000 meters in length and will include a minimum of one change of direction. The night course will be from 800 to 1,000 meters in length and will include a minimum of one change in direction. Individuals will be allowed a 5 percent error in the day course and a 10 percent error in the night course.)

*i. Military intelligence.* Individual will be tested in the following:

- (1) The methods and procedures involved in recording and transmitting information pertaining to the enemy and terrain observed (incorporating the who, what, when, and where of the situation).
- (2) The proper method of handling and processing prisoners of war and captured documents by the individual soldier.
- (3) The techniques of evasion, escape, and survival in the event a combat soldier becomes a prisoner of war.

*j. Adjustment of artillery and mortar fire.* Individual will demonstrate his ability as a forward observer in calling for and adjusting artillery and mortar fire.

*k. Individual cover and camouflage.* Individual will be tested in the following:

- (1) Selection and preparation of a hasty position.
- (2) Selection and preparation of a semipermanent position.
- (3) Camouflaging a foxhole.
- (4) Camouflaging the individual.
- (5) Individual protective measures under nuclear warfare conditions.

*l. Weapon field proficiency test.* Appropriate tests will be prepared for field testing of applicants in their individual or crew-served weapon.

- (1) Individual will be tested on his primary

individual weapon or on the crew-served weapon to which assigned. He will not be tested on both weapons.

(2) Where appropriate, scope of test on weapons will include—

- (a) Stoppages and immediate action.
- (b) Selection of firing position.
- (c) Range estimation.
- (d) Fire commands.
- (e) Field target firing.
- (f) Preparation of firing data sheet (mortar) or range card.
- (g) Bore sighting.

*m. Basic signal communication.* Individual will be tested in the following:

- (1) Field message writing.
- (2) Phonetic alphabet.
- (3) Putting into operation a current issue portable infantry radio.
- (4) Transmitting and receiving a voice radio transmission.
- (5) Installation and operation of a field telephone.

*n. Hand grenade.* Individual will be tested in the following:

- (1) Use of cover and selection of position.
- (2) Accuracy.
- (3) Action after explosion of grenade.

*o. CBR.* Individual will be tested in the following:

- (1) Methods of alarm as pertains to an impending nuclear attack.
- (2) Use of protective mask.
- (3) Purpose and use of the Geiger Mueller meter.
- (4) Purpose and use of pocket dosimeter.
- (5) Decontamination of weapons, equipment, and personnel.
- (6) Field expedient methods of protection against the effects of a nuclear explosion.

*p. Physical fitness tests* will be administered and scored in accordance with TM 21-200. The individual must obtain a minimum of 250 out of 500 points for qualification.

**12. Qualifying score.** Individuals must qualify with a score of 70 percent, or better, on each test listed in *b* through *o* above.

**13. Retesting.** Individuals who fail to meet the minimum requirements for any portion of the Expert Infantryman Badge test will be retested once in each event failed. Retests must be completed within the same training year.



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