

INFORMATION PAPER

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Subject: Overseas Deployment Training (ODT)

1. Purpose. ODT provides the opportunity for reserve soldiers to deploy overseas for their annual two-week training.
2. Points.
 - a. Reserve dental units are excellent candidates for ODT. Dental teams consisting of a dentist, dental assistant, and dental hygienist deploy over 2-week periods throughout the year. Missions can vary from support of field exercises to service in active duty dental clinics. These training missions are especially valuable for enlisted soldiers.
 - b. ODT is normally scheduled two years out and requires the same coordination and planning as any other exercise. Detailed planning is conducted during theater overseas coordination conferences (OCC) prior to the ODT. Each theater, except CENTCOM, conducts these conferences annually. Attendees at these conferences include the theater ODT manager and overseas sponsors and a CONUS unit sponsor for each unit with ten or more soldiers scheduled for ODT. The USARC ODT manager represents units with less than ten soldiers scheduled for ODT.
 - c. At the OCC the ODT sponsor and host unit complete a coordination sheet that includes a mission statement, number of personnel, dates of deployment, travel funding and other support requirements. The unit representative, host ODT sponsor, theater, CONUSA, and USARC ODT managers must sign this coordination sheet.
 - d. USARC SRC managers schedule units using the Unit Training System that is then approved by the RSC. Any subsequent changes to the number of soldiers, dates, or location of the ODT must come from the host theater to the USARC.
 - e. Current USARC policy is that the theater must fund travel from home station to the overseas location. AR 350-9, Overseas Deployment Training, requires the theater to pay for all in-country support such as housing, local travel, and messing.

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