# CUTTHROAT OPERATIONS ORDER 2023-03 (FORGE 2.5)

## References:

* 1. (U) Map: South Carolina: 1:50,000
	2. (U) Basic Combat Training, Program of Instruction
	3. (U) Doctrinal references; FM 3-0, FM 5-0, JP 1, and JP 5-0.

**(U) Time Zone Used Throughout the OPORD:** Uniform / Local (U)

**(U) Task Organization:** Refer to Annex A (Task Organization).

1. **(U) Situation**. Refer to Annex B (AO Overview)
	1. (U) Area of Interest. Predominant region called AO Cutthroat with AO Knights (17S NT 1769) to the North occupied by B/1-13th, AO Liberty (17S NT 1868) occupied by 1-13th Main and AO Eagles (17S NT 1969) occupied by E/1-13th to the East, AO Freedom (17S NT 1867) to the South occupied by 2/60th.
	2. (U) Area of Operations. C/1-13th will operate within AO Cutthroat (17S NT 1768). AO Cutthroat is located near the southern boundary MSR Johnson, Northern boundary is MSR Dixie and the western Forward Edge of the Battle Area (FEBA) is MSR Salem Rd.
	3. (U) Terrain.
2. Obstacles: Marshland, conditions depend on rainfall, north of Winston Rd and east of Salem Rd. Wire obstacles directly west of defensive position IVO 17S NT 163 686.
3. Avenues of Approach: MSR Dixie, FB 41-53, Landing Zones in AO (10, 11, 15, 18)
4. Key terrain: Landing Zones (LZ) west of OBJ Victory- LZ 10 and LZ 11 that allow the enemy to build combat power and supply logistical resources.
5. Observations and Fields of Fire: Generally flat open terrain throughout AO Cutthroat allows direct observation for both defender and attacker allowing direct fire engagement at long ranges.
6. Cover and Concealment: Short vegetation/wood line provides limited cover and concealment of vehicles and personnel allowing aerial detection. Critical to dig in and camouflage battle positions.
	1. (U) Weather. From 17JUL23 to 20JUL23 weather for training is as follows: temperature in the low 70s at night and early morning, temperature exceeding 90 degrees during the daytime. Due to the high temperatures during the daytime expect slower pace during daylight hours for both enemy and friendly forces. Low threat of precipitation for duration of operation will increase avenues of approach for both enemy and friendly forces. Ensure that Leaders are paying attention to the heat category.

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|  | 17 JUL | 18 JUL | 19 JUL | 20 JUL |
| TEMPERATURE | 72/93 | 72/93 | 72/93 | 72/93 |
| WIND SPEED | 6 MPH | 6 MPH | 6 MPH | 6 MPH |
| WIND DIRECTION | S | SW | SW | W |
| PRECIP | 45% | 45% | 45% | 45% |
| SUNRISE | 0613 | 0614 | 0613 | 0613 |
| SUNSET | 2038 | 2038 | 2039 | 2039 |
| ILLUMINATION | 0% | 0% | 3% | 7% |

* 1. (U) Enemy Forces. Intelligence has reported there is a Battalion size element from 2/32nd Infantry Battalion to the west of AO Liberty. Within AO Cutthroat it is expected to encounter platoon sized elements from the Battalion main element and Team to Squad sized elements conducting observation and recon of the screen line. The enemy is at approximately 90% strength. The battalion has access to UAVs and an artillery section with a reach of up to 3 kms. Enemy may utilize non-persistent (NP) chemical upon retrograding from positions.
	2. (U) Friendly Forces.
1. Higher Headquarters Mission and Intent
	1. Mission. 1/13th establishes a defense east of OBJ Victory IVO AO Liberty NLT 171500JUL23 IOT block enemy from key terrain and enable 2/13th (BDE DO) to build combat power. O/O, 1/13th will transition to offensive operations.
	2. Commander’s Intent.
		1. Purpose. Establish a defense to block Enemy forces from key terrain and maintain friendly lines of communication in the AO enabling 2-13th freedom of maneuver to secure OBJ Victory.
		2. End State. 1/13th establishes a defense in AO Liberty for a 72-hour period IOT allow BDE DO to secure OBJ Victory and deny enemy the ability to seize key terrain.
2. Missions of Adjacent Units
	1. B/1-13th IN- Establish defensive position towards OBJ Victory IVO NT1740 6950 NLT 171600JUL23.
	2. E/1-13th IN- Establish defensive position towards OBJ Victory IVO NT1950 6890 NLT 17 1600 JUL23.
	3. 2/60th IN- Screen friendly forces IOT enable 2/13th IN to build combat power.
	4. 1-13th IN Main- establishes a defense east of OBJ Victory IVO AO Liberty NLT 171500JUL23 IOT block enemy from key terrain
	5. (U) Civilian Consideration. There will be civilians in the AO traveling along MSR Dixie and MSR Johnson from 0800-1600. They will be located to the south and southeast of AO Liberty. Avoid destroying civilian infrastructure. Direct dislocated civilians away from OBJ Victory
3. **(U) Mission.** C/1/13th establishes defensive battle positions as the southern boundary for AO Liberty NLT 171600JUL23 IOT block enemy from key terrain and enable 2/13th (BDE DO) to build combat power. O/O, C/1/13th will transition to offensive operations.

## (U) Execution.

a. (U) Commander’s Intent. The purpose of this operation is to establish a defense to block Enemy forces from key terrain, conduct area reconnaissance into OBJ Victory, and establish lines of communication within AO Liberty.

b. (U) End State. C/1/13th establishes a the southern defense in AO Liberty for a 72-hour period IOT allow BDE DO to secure OBJ Victory and deny enemy the ability to seize key terrain.

c. (U) Concept of Operations. This operation consists of three phases: 1): Planning and Preparation, 2) Establish Defense, 3) Transition to Offensive Operations

d. (U) Scheme of Movement and Maneuver. Refer to Annex B (Scheme of Maneuver)

Phase I (Planning and Preparation) Begins with unit planning, recon conducted, and coordinating logistical resources and support. Decisive to this phase are logistical support and resources coordinated, OPORD issued, and rehearsals complete. This phase ends when the company is staged for motor movement into AO Liberty.

Phase II (Establish Defense) Begins with the Company infiltration and occupation of AO Cutthroat and establishing defensive positions. Decisive to this phase is security posture established and battle positions developed. This phase ends when ordered to transition to offensive operations.

Phase III (Transition to Offensive Operations) Begins with 1-13th ordering Charlie Company to transition to offensive operation. Decisive to this phase is establishing a BN TAA at Brady Village and conducting the 10-mile tactical foot march to AA Hilton. This phase ends with successful occupation of AA Hilton.

a. (U) Tasks to Subordinate Units.

* 1. (U) 2nd Platoon
		1. Phase I: Preparation of Company duty gear, draw 3x M4 for cadre, and staged for movement NLT 170500JUL23.
		2. Phase II: Establish southern defensive position towards OBJ Victory IVO NT173 686 NLT 171600JUL23.
		3. Phase II: BPT conduct simultaneous relief in place with 2/E/1-13 NLT 180600JUL23.
		4. Phase II: 1x squad conduct deliberate area reconnaissance into OBJ Victory NLT 171900JUL23.
		5. Phase III: O/O, consolidate at Brady Village and establish BN TAA IVO NT1820 6870
	2. (U) 3rd Platoon
		1. Phase I: Draw 3x M4 for cadre and staged for movement NLT 170500JUL23.
		2. Phase II: Establish southern defensive position towards OBJ Victory IVO NT173 684 NLT 171600JUL23.
		3. Phase II: BPT conduct simultaneous relief in place with 3/E/1-13 NLT 180600JUL23.
		4. Phase II: 1x squad conduct deliberate area reconnaissance into OBJ Victory NLT 171900JUL23.
		5. Phase III: O/O, consolidate at Brady Village and establish BN TAA IVO NT1820 6870
	3. (U) 4th Platoon
		1. Phase I: Draw 3x M4 for cadre and staged for movement NLT 170500JUL23.
		2. Phase II: Establish southern defensive position towards OBJ Victory IVO NT174 683 NLT 171600JUL23.
		3. Phase II: BPT conduct simultaneous relief in place with 4/E/1-13 NLT 180600JUL23.
		4. Phase II: 1x squad conduct deliberate area reconnaissance into OBJ Victory NLT 171900JUL23.
		5. Phase III: O/O, consolidate at Brady Village and establish BN TAA IVO NT1820 6870
	4. (U) 1st Platoon
		1. Phase I: Draw 3x M4 for cadre and staged for movement NLT 170500JUL23.
		2. Phase II: Establish southern defensive position towards OBJ Victory IVO NT173 688 NLT 171600JUL23.
		3. Phase II: BPT conduct simultaneous relief in place with 4/E/1-13 NLT 180600JUL23.
		4. Phase II: 1x squad conduct deliberate area reconnaissance into OBJ Victory NLT 171900JUL23.
		5. Phase III: O/O, consolidate at Brady Village and establish BN TAA IVO NT1820 6870

b. (U) Coordinating Instructions. Refer to Annex C (Coordinating Instructions)

c.(U) Timeline. Refer to Annex D (Timeline)

1. **(U) Sustainment.** All Platoons will carry assigned packing list with full camelback. Refer to Annex E (Sustainment)

a. (U) Supply. Submit all logistical requirements through the CO XO.

1. Class I. Ration cycle is as follows: 17 JUL: M-M-M, 18 JUL: M-M-M, 19 JUL M-M-M, 20 JUL DFAC-DFAC-DFAC

a. MRE resupply coordinated through CO XO NLT than 12 hours of needed resupply.

c. Platoons provide CL I LOGSTAT to the XO NLT 0600 and 1800.

2. Class II. Units will coordinate with BN S-3 for maps.

 3. Class III. Fuel resupply will be coordinated through the XO. No more than 1 vehicle will leave for resupply at one time.

4. Class V. Resupply will be coordinated through Duty Platoon. Platoons will provide Class V request NLT 0600 daily.

5. Class VII. Units must rely upon internal reorganization cross-leveling of major end

 items to replace combat and maintenance losses.

6. Class VIII. Medical supply. Battalion medic will carry 3 DoS of Class VIII supply.

1. (U) Army Health System Support. MEDIC WILL BE LOCATED AT TAC/ATTACHED TO TAC. All requests for CLASS VIII resupply will be submitted to the BMSO for forwarding through preconfigured push packages at AXP’s.

Safety Considerations:

* Watch for vehicles along main roads.
* Wildlife: Do not mess with any wildlife. If bitten and concerned, report it immediately.
* Hot weather consideration: pre identify Heat Cats, utilize ice sheets located throughout TAAs/BPs and arm immerse when needed
* Cold weather considerations: pre identify those Soldiers, change clothing to stay dry, dress in loose fitting multiple layers, stay clean.
* Lightning within 15 miles: Move out to LPA and gain 100% accountability.

Medical Evacuation Request

Range Operations Phone #803-751-7171 or 4732 or via XTS 2500/5000/7500 Motorola radio. Military Police/Ambulance on post #803-751-9111 or 911 from landline.

9 Line Medical Evacuation

Transport to AXP's /AIRMEDEVAC LZ's:

Qualified medics or Combat Life Savers will make determination on moving injured personnel to the nearest AXP/LZ.

Injured personnel will not be transported to a AXP/LZ if one of the following conditions exist:

1. Any indication of cardiopulmonary related conditions.
2. Any patient suspected to have multiple fractures or injuries.
3. Gunshot wounds or other penetrating trauma.
4. Motor vehicle accidents.
5. Any injury suspected to have caused neck or spine trauma.

## (U) Command and Signal.

1. (U) COMMAND: This mission will be under the command of the C/1/13th Commander. Company Commander located in Company CP. Succession of Command is CO XO, CO 1SG, 2nd SDS, 3rd SDS, 4th SDS, 1st SDS
	1. Challenge/password: LIGHTNING/ THUNDER
	2. Priority Information Requirements (PIR)
		1. Composition, disposition, and strength of the 2/32nd Infantry Battalion patrols
		2. Location of 2/32nd Infantry Battalion Forces overlays of information the enemy has that may reveal plans.
	3. Friendly Forces Information Requirements (FFIR)
		1. Patrol compromised during recon or enemy contact made during movement
		2. Injury requiring evacuation
		3. Loss of mission essential equipment and sensitive items
2. (U) SIGNAL: Communications will be maintained through established channels and frequencies.
3. Primary: BRIC
4. Alternate: Cell Phone
5. Contingency: Vehicle Runner
6. Emergency: Runner

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