

THIS INSTRUCTION PRESCRIBES THE PROCEDURES FOR DAY AND NIGHT INTERCEPT MISSION PREPARATION TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE TRANSITION IN THE NORTHEAST REGION.

1. Due to the complexity and high responsibility placed upon the CAP aircrews performing all EADS intercept missions for the Air Force, the following pre-mission training and experience transition is required for all TOI (target-of-interest) aircrew members performing these missions irrespective of wing or designated MOA. Also included are on-going rules for all aircrews during all supervised and unsupervised missions.

2. DEFINITIONS:

a. An experience intercept aircrew member is defined as a qualified mission pilot or mission observer who has flown a minimum of four day Keynote intercept missions and two night Keynote intercept missions.

b. An inexperienced intercept mission aircrew member is defined as a qualified mission pilot or mission observer who has not completed the following ground and flight training/transition experience requirements.

3. PRE-MISSION TRAINING:

All first time Keynote intercept mission aircrews will undergo two hours of ground training with an experienced aircrew member(s) either one-on-one or in a group. This ground training will consist of SPINS interpretation, communications concept, flight situation awareness including a full understand of the fighter pilot's maneuvers, proximity in relationship to CAP aircraft and a solid understanding of the safety rules and issues associated with these special missions.

4. EXPERIENCE TRANSITION:

The experience transition is defined as flying actual Keynote missions, under the supervision of an experienced aircrew. The experience transition from first timer to experienced aircrew member(s) will require the following minimum supervised flights and aircrew combinations. No aircrew members will perform night intercept missions without first completing two unsupervised day missions and two supervised night missions.

5. DAY INTERCEPT MISSIONS:

Prior to flying day missions each aircrew member will fly two day intercept missions under the supervision of an experienced aircrew. The first mission will be flown with two experienced aircrew members flying as mission pilot or mission observer with the inexperienced crew member observing from

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the back seat. On the second mission the inexperienced aircrew member will fly as mission pilot or mission observer and an experience aircrew member will fly the other position while another experience aircrew member will assist from the back seat.

6. NIGHT INTERCEPT MISSIONS:

Prior to flying a night intercept mission all aircrew members must have completed the day supervised intercept missions and flown a minimum of one unsupervised day intercept mission. They must then fly two night missions first observing from the back seat and then as aircrew member with an experienced aircrew member either in the back seat or taking an active counterpart mission role such as the mission pilot or mission observer.

7. ALL INTERCEPT MISSIONS:

All aircrew members selected for a Keynote intercept mission either supervised or unsupervised will attend the Air Force briefings in person or via teleconference and will receive and read the SPINS. Once selected and having attending the Air Force briefing those aircrew members are obligated to fly the mission. In such cases where an aircrew member who has attended the Air force briefing becomes unable to fly due to illness or other circumstances beyond his or her control, that aircrew member will y be replaced by an aircrew member defined as experienced and approved by the NER Keynote Intercept Mission Supervisor. The other aircrew members will provide that member with a detailed briefing based on the Air Force briefing.

8. INTERCEPT MISSION IC AND COMMUNICATIONS GROUND PERSONNEL:

All intercept mission IC and communications ground personnel must have first attended an intercept mission as an observing staff member followed by supervised intercept mission in his or her qualified position. All IC's and communications officers will attend the Air Force mission briefings and receive a copy of the SPINS.

9. HIGH BIRD AIRCREWS:

All high bird aircrews will consist of a minimum of one qualified mission pilot and one qualified mission observer. No special intercept mission training or experience transition training is required. Both members of the designated high bird aircrew will attend the Air Force briefing and will receive and read the SPINS.

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