

Defence Instructions and Notices (Not to be communicated to anyone outside HM Service without authority)	
Title:	Exercise TRANSGLOBE 15/16
Audience:	All military personnel, Reserve Forces, University Officer Cadets and Cadet Forces.
Applies:	Immediately
Expires:	23 August 2016
Replaces:	
Reference:	2014DIN07-079
Status:	Current
Released:	April 2014
Channel:	07 – Training and Education
Content:	Adventurous Training Ocean Sailing Expedition
Sponsor:	Joint Services Adventurous Sail Training Centre (JSASTC)
Contact:	Mike Barham -TRANSGLOBE Project Team Leader, JSASTC, Haslar Road, Gosport, Hampshire, PO12 2AQ. Tel Numbers - Mil: 9380 Ext 65416 Civil: 023927 65416
Keywords:	Adventurous Training Exercise (TRANSGLOBE)
Local Keywords:	Adventurous Training, Offshore Sailing, Sailing Expedition
Supplements: (Please click on the links to access >>>>)	Annex C: APPLICATION FORM
Related Info:	www.pdevportal.co.uk/adventure_training/sailing
Classification:	OFFICIAL

References:

- A. RN-BR 4024 Chap 6
- B. Army -AGA1 Vol 1 Chap 11
- C. RAF-AP 3342
- D. 2013DIN01-007, Insurance for Adventurous Training Activities.
- E. CNPD Policy for the use of Sail Training Vessels for Racing dated 20 Mar 14.

Introduction

1. Exercise TRANSGLOBE 15/16, is a major, Tri-Service Adventurous Sail Training Exercise which will take place from 25 July 2015 through to 21 August 2016. The aim of the exercise is to develop the personal qualities and promote ethos essential to members of HM Armed Forces, Reserve Forces, the UOTC and specially selected members of the Cadet Forces, through adventurous sail training in a Service environment.
2. The Joint Service Adventure Sail Training Centre (JSASTC) will deploy two Challenge 67ft Sail Training Craft (STC) from Gosport on a year long circumnavigation of the globe over 13 Legs. One STC will be allocated to the Army and the other STC will be shared by the Royal Navy and Royal Air Force. Details of the Legs can be found at ANNEX A.
3. Exercise TRANSGLOBE has been endorsed as a Major Adventurous Training project as defined in References A, B and C, by each of the Services at 3* level.

Exercise Overview

4. Both JSASTC Challenge 67ft STC (CH67) craft will be identically equipped with the Services wholly responsible for providing the crew for each of the Legs in their allocated yacht. All Legs will be conducted as AT exercises.

5. Ships, RN Establishments, Units, Waterfronts; Army Corps, Arms and Regiments and RAF Groups and Stations will be encouraged to bid to provide the crews for their respective Service's STC. Bids from individuals will be accepted to ensure all crew places are filled. The Sydney – Hobart race Leg crew will also crew the yachts for Leg 5 (Perth to Sydney) and the single Service Sailing Associations will sponsor entry fees and other associated costs for this event.

6. JSASTC will provide the STC, technical support and crew training during Exercise TRANSGLOBE. Ideally for each leg, the Skipper, Mate, Watch Leaders and crew positions on each STC will be filled by serving members of the relevant Service. While it is anticipated that the Army will provide a Service skipper for 50% of the Legs and the RN and RAF for 25% of the Legs, JSASTC will provide staff Skippers to fulfil the remainder of the Legs.

7. The expedition will be directed by a Steering Group, operating through a Project Team based at JSASTC, Gosport. The Exercise TRANSGLOBE Project Office will be established within JSASTC from 22 April 2014. The JSASTC Programming and Project Officer will be responsible for all aspects of the detailed planning and management of Exercise TRANSGLOBE, with OIC JSASTC responsible for the overall delivery of the exercise.

8. The Project Officer will issue a full briefing pack to all personnel selected for this exercise, this will detail the arrangements for their allocated Leg including administrative details, medical requirements and air movements.

Eligibility

9. This exercise is open to all serving RN (including Royal Marine), Army, RAF, Reserve Forces and University Officer Training Corps personnel. Additionally, a small number of places will be open to specially selected representatives of the Cadet Forces over the age of 18. Novice sailors are particularly encouraged to apply alongside those personnel of all sailing competencies and RYA qualifications. Both unit and individual bids are encouraged. Offshore sailing is both physically and mentally demanding and therefore volunteers should have:

- a. A spirit of adventure.
- b. Be willing to live in harmony with others in confined, uncomfortable, and sometimes wet and arduous conditions.
- c. Be in-date for the appropriate Service fitness and swimming test.
- d. Be medically fit for active service overseas (see para 11)
- e. Possess an up to date passport that will remain in-date until six months after their exercise leg ends.

NB. Pregnant Servicewomen are not eligible to participate in adventurous training.

10. **Skippers and Afterguard:** OIC JSASTC has set the minimum qualification and experience levels for personnel to be considered for each of the Skipper, Mate and Watch Leader positions. It is essential that any personnel applying to fill Skipper and Afterguard

crew positions provide full details of their training, qualifications and experience, as required in ANNEX C.

11. Wounded, Injured and Sick (WIS) Personnel: There will be a number of crew places available to WIS personnel on suitable passages. Applications will be accepted from serving personnel who have a reduced Medical Employment Standard (MES), and will be considered on a case by case basis. The degree of the applicant's disability will be assessed along with their general fitness level and weighed against the overall crew composition to determine eligibility. Applicants with a reduced MES must complete the relevant section on the application form at ANNEX C.

12. Cadet Forces: A small number of crew places will be suitable for senior representatives of the Cadet Forces (Sea Cadets, Army Cadets, Air Training Corps and Combined Cadet Corps). Applications from members of the Cadet Forces who will be 18 years of age prior to the commencement of their allocated Leg will be considered, subject to selection and sponsorship by the respective parenting Service authority. The application process for Cadet Forces Representatives will be sponsored by the respective Cadet Forces' HQs.

Crew Selection

13. As described in the Exercise Overview, the RN, Army and RAF will be responsible for providing, including final selection, the crews for their allocated yacht. The level of experienced personnel required will be:

a. **Skipper:** Skippers will be Yacht Master Ocean (YMO) qualified and selected from personnel who have successfully gained their Challenge 67 Skipper authorisation from JSASTC. This will include MCAS, MFAS, HF Radio and Radar qualifications. They will be issued with a letter confirming their appointment as the Skipper of the vessel for the duration of the Leg(s) allocated to them.

b. **First Mate:** Mates will be a minimum of Yacht Master Offshore (YM Offshore) qualified and selected from personnel who have successfully gained their Challenge 67 Mate authorisation from JSASTC. Ideally, they will also hold MCAS, MFAS, HF Radio and Radar qualifications.

c. **Watch Leaders:** A total of one RYA Yachtmaster Coastal (second Mate) and two RYA Day Skippers are required apart from Legs 4 (Cape town to Perth) and Leg 8 (Auckland to Montevideo) when the requirement will be for 1 x Yachtmaster Offshore, 1 x Yachtmaster Coastal and 1 x RYA Day Skipper.

d. **Crew:** Crew will be selected up to a maximum of 14 including the Skipper, Mate and Watch Leaders; the remaining crew will be made up of various levels of experience (inc 2 x Comp Crew or 3 x Comp Crew for Legs 4 & 8) including complete novices.

14. AT Legs: Legs 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12, and 13 are all dedicated AT passages and are open to all levels from novice upwards. In consultation with the single Service Crew Chief/Project Officer, the JSASTC Project Office will allocate the crews (and reserves) for each of these legs from the list of volunteers responding to this DIN. Applicants must complete ANNEX C indicating their preferred Leg and alternatives for which they wish to be considered. Applications from formed units (Ships, RN Establishments, Units, Waterfronts, Arms, Regiments, Service Directors and RAF Groups and Stations) will also be accepted.

15. **AT Race Leg:** Leg 5a is the Rolex Sydney to Hobart Race ('The Hobart'), and race rules dictate that the crew must have completed a qualifying ocean passage to be eligible to participate; Leg 5 (Perth to Sydney) will be used for that purpose. Consequently, personnel who want to participate in The Hobart must be available to complete both Legs 5 and 5a. The applications from all personnel wishing to take part in Legs 5 & 5a will be passed to the appropriate SA selection committee for their consideration. Approval for the yachts to participate is contained at Reference E.

Cost

16. **Financial assistance:** Service personnel are expected to make a personal contribution towards adventurous training. Every effort will be made to keep the cost to individuals as low as possible. Although this exercise does attract central AT public-funding, personnel may be able to get additional financial assistance towards costs from service/unit funds, regimental funds or Sports Lotteries. In the case of the Army a grant from the Army Sports Lottery has been agreed centrally provided that individuals are members of the Army Sports Lottery. Army participants will need to be members of the Army Sports Lottery to benefit from the grant. Enquiries should be made through unit admin and gymnasium staffs, service institute funds, regiment or corps AT funds and the relevant Service Sports Lottery.

17. **Personal Contributions:** Exact Personal Contributions are difficult to calculate this far ahead of the Exercise and will be affected by any changes in both international air fare pricing agreements and the level of sponsorship secured by the Project Team. The level of Personal Contribution expected by Leg can be found at ANNEX B and are likely to be reduced further through additional sponsorship or grants. Individuals should seek guidance from their own Service Project Officer (see para 29).

18. **Payment:** Applicants should be aware that places on Exercise TRANSGLOBE are likely to be at a premium and the allocation procedure relating to Personal Contributions will be strictly followed:

a. A deposit of £150 per person is required with initial applications. Cheques should be made payable to "EXERCISE TRANSGLOBE". This deposit will be forfeited (see para 22) if a candidate has to withdraw after being allocated a place which will occur some 12 weeks prior to the commencement of that Leg. If a candidate is not selected for any Leg, their deposit will be returned unless they wish to go on a reserve list.

b. The remaining balance for the leg is to be paid within 10 - 12 weeks of departure date to enable the flights to be purchased and confirmed. Failure to pay the balance by the deadline date will result in the forfeiture of the deposit and allocation of their place to a person on the reserve list.

c. If applicants are unable to take up their allocated place post confirmation of their flight details, every effort will be made to substitute personnel. However, individuals will be expected to meet the airline charges for transfer of name (approx £150). Additionally, should a reserve not be found to fill the place, the individual will forfeit the full cost of the ticket.

19. **LSA and LOA:** Personnel will not be able to claim LSA for this exercise. Similarly, personnel are not eligible for LOA when carrying out an expedition or adventurous training in a LOA area, unless they are assigned to that area as part of their primary duties.

20. **Travel to and from airports:** Travel to and from UK airports is at Crown expense. Individuals should contact their local UPO or Admin Office.

21. **Berthing fees:** Personnel must also note that the contribution towards berthing fees included in the cost of each Leg may not cover all marina fees. The Skipper will endeavour to ensure that the boat stays within its financial limits; however, personnel must be prepared to make a small additional contribution if required.

Visas

22. If any personnel require a visa for entry to any of the countries that the exercise may visit, they are to inform the Project Officer on application, and ensure that they provide proof of having attained the visa to the Project Officer at least 8 weeks prior to embarkation on the exercise. Failure to attain a visa in the required time may also result in forfeiture of a place on the exercise. Attainment of visas is a personal responsibility.

Rations

23. Rations for the exercise will be funded by each Service as Cash in Lieu of Rations (CILOR) under single Service accounting regulations. Each Service will be responsible for providing CILOR in accordance with the number of participants from that Service.

Personal Insurance Cover

24. Service personnel taking part in AT, formally approved under JSP 419 (Joint Service Adventurous Training (JSAT) Scheme), are considered to be engaged in the course of their normal duties and the MOD will accept vicarious liability for any negligent actions or omissions committed in the performance of those duties. MOD will facilitate medical treatment for personnel whilst undertaking AT including, if necessary, medical evacuation, family visits, and, in the event of a fatality, repatriation of the body. This may include rescue/recovery from the accident site where necessary. The MOD will not accept liability for any negligent actions or omissions committed by personnel in their personal capacity, for any associated costs, e.g. any additional medical expenses, hotel accommodation or travel costs for relatives, or for the loss of or damage to, personal property (unless caused by MOD's negligence). As a result of this limited cover, participants are strongly advised to purchase additional insurance having consulted Reference D.

25. The indicative costs at ANNEX B will include the issue of a pair of yachting wellies and an Exercise TRANSGLOBE embroidered crew polo shirt. Additional polo shirts will be available for purchase from JSASTC. Applicants should indicate the size of 'yachting wellies' (allow for thick socks), polo shirt, jacket and trousers required on the Application Form at ANNEX C.

Application Process

26. All personnel must submit an application in the format at Annex C to this DIN. Completed forms are to be sent in hard copy format to the Exercise TRANSGLOBE Project Team Leader, details below, and must be accompanied by a cheque for £150 that will be accepted by a UK bank.

27. This DIN will be available through the Defence Intranet and the JSASTC websites at https://pdevportal.co.uk/adventure_training/sailing and www.jsastc.co.uk

Project Team Leader

28. The Project Team Leader for Exercise TRANSGLOBE is:

Mike Barham
JSASTC Programming and Project Officer
Exercise TRANSGLOBE
JSASTC
Haslar Road
GOSPORT
Hampshire PO12 2AQ

Mil: 9380 65416 Civ: 023927 65416
Fax: 9380 65211 Civ: 023927 65211
E-mail: jsastc_projectofficer@a.dii.mod.uk

Single Service Project Officer

29. Each Service has a nominated Crew Chief/Project Officer who will act as the single Service point of contact. The nominated personnel are:

Royal Navy:
Cdr Andy Phenna
andrew.phenna813@mod.uk

Army:
Lt Col Frank Cannon
malcolm.cannon244@mod.uk

Royal Air Force:
WO Rick Nevitt
richard.nevitt131

Annex A: EXERCISE TRANSGLOBE PROGRAMME

Annex B: EXERCISE TRANSGLOBE PERSONAL CONTRIBUTION

ANNEX A - EXERCISE TRANSGLOBE – PROGRAMME

LEG	DATES	FROM / TO	MILEAGE (NM)	DURATION	RN/RAF	ARMY
1	25 July – 15 Aug 2015	Gosport to Lanzarote	1823	3 weeks	Joint	R.Signals
2	15 Aug – 19 Sep 2015	Lanzarote to Rio de Janeiro	4018	5 weeks	RN	RE
3	19 Sep – 17 Oct 2015	Rio de Janeiro to Cape Town	3285	4 weeks	RAF	Inf
4	17 Oct – 28 Nov 2015	Cape Town to Perth	5000	6 weeks	Joint	Any
		1 week Maintenance at Freemantle				
5	6 Dec – 3 Jan 2015	Perth to Sydney (to Hobart)	1700	4 weeks	Joint	Any
5a	26 Dec – 3 Jan 2015	Sydney to Hobart Race	600			
6	3 Jan – 23 Jan 2016	Hobart to Wellington	1484	3 weeks	RN	REME
7	23 Jan – 13 Feb 2016	Wellington to Auckland	600	3 weeks	RAF	Int Corp
	13 Feb – 27 Feb 2016	2 weeks Maintenance at Auckland				
8	27 Feb - 17 April 2016	Auckland to Montevideo	6100	7 weeks	Joint	Any
9	17 April – 22 May 2016	Montevideo to Grenada	3800	5 weeks	Joint	RLC
10	22 May - 12 June 2016	Grenada to Miami	1600	3 weeks	RAF	AMS
11	12 June - 3 July 2016	Miami to New York	1500	3 weeks	RN	AAC
12	3 July – 24 July 2016	New York to Halifax (Nova Scotia)	600	3 weeks	Joint	AGC
13	24 July – 21 Aug 2016	Halifax to Gosport	3000	4 weeks	Joint	RAC
			35,060	56 weeks		

Notes:

1. The two end columns indicate the crewing priority for each yacht on each Leg.
2. Any one can bid for a place but the 'crewing priority' will take precedence. Others will be placed on a reserve list.
3. The need to man to with individuals of the required experience in key positions (Mate, WL) will take precedence over 'crewing priority'.
4. Once places have been confirmed, final payment received and airline seats booked a reserve list will be maintained.

ANNEX B – PERSONAL CONTRIBUTION

LEG	DATES	FROM / TO	Duration	Personal contribution ^{1, 3}	Target Price after Non-Public grants ²
1	25 July – 15 Aug 2015	Gosport to Lanzarote	3 weeks	£325	£160
2	15 Aug – 19 Sep 2015	Lanzarote to Rio de Janeiro	5 weeks	£795	£410
3	19 Sep – 17 Oct 2015	Rio de Janeiro to Cape Town	4 weeks	£975	£455
4	17 Oct – 28 Nov 2015	Cape Town to Perth	6 weeks	£1,300	£620
5 & 5a	6 Dec 2015 – 3 Jan 2016	Perth to Hobart (via Sydney and Sydney-Hobart Race)	1 week	£1,495	£715
6	3 Jan – 23 Jan 2016	Hobart to Wellington	3 weeks	£1,495	£710
7	23 Jan – 13 Feb 2016	Wellington to Auckland	3 weeks	£1,495	£710
8	27 Feb - 17 April 2016	Auckland to Montevideo	7 weeks	£1,495	£730
9	17 April – 22 May 2016	Montevideo to Grenada	5 weeks	£1,100	£475
10	22 May - 12 June 2016	Grenada to Miami	3 weeks	£850	£400
11	12 June - 3 July 2016	Miami to New York	3 weeks	£800	£400
12	3 July – 24 July 2016	New York to Halifax Nova Scotia	3 weeks	£800	£350
13	24 July – 21 Aug 2016	Halifax to Gosport	4 weeks	£675	£325

Notes:

1. Personal Contribution cost takes into account central grant from single Service AT Funds and a Joint Services AT Grant.
2. Reduction to the 'Target Price' from the 'Personal Contribution cost' is achieved by RN/RM and RAF participants applying for Service Sports Lotteries grants themselves. Army participants Sports Lottery Grants will be administered via the Army Project Officer.
3. This is the amount that individuals will each be personally invoiced by the TRANSGLOBE Project Officer.

What's Included:

1. Use of the yacht
2. Use of sailing gear (outer garments)
3. Polo Shirt and sailing boots
4. Berthing fees
5. Food
6. Scheduled Flights from/to UK
7. Race Entry fees

What's Not Included:

1. Transport to/from airport to yacht (UK and abroad)
2. Personal Travel Insurance
3. Personal spending money
4. Cost of any Visa and/or entry/departure Taxes.