

CE Career Field Manager Newsletter



3E2X1 Pavements and Equipment. *CDC Update.* Good news, the 3E251A CDC has been revised with the most up-to date information and is now being sent to those in field that require upgrade training. The 3E251B CDC is in the last leg of review and will be available to the field around the first week in April 2004. These updates include consolidation of all supplements into the CDCs. For those with questions on 3E251 A/B CDC please visit Det 7 web site at <http://www.wood.army.mil/det7/pecdc.htm>. MSgt John Lackey is the 3E251 CDC Author.

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3E3X1 Structures. *New CFM.* MSgt Scottie Spradlin is the new 3E3X1 Career Field Manager. Any questions or suggestions with the Structural Career Filed should be submitted to him.

Just a reminder, the Contingency Airfield Marking Procedures AFQTP dated May 1999 was replaced with Contingency Airfield Marking Paint Striper dated Mar 2003. The CerTest for previous AFQTP is no longer required. The new AFQTP CerTests (8401, 8402, 8403) are mandatory.

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3E5X1 Engineering. CerTests 8094-8098 will no longer be required for upgrade to the 5-skill level. A change supplement will be published shortly to make AFQTP, Contingency Airfield Marking Procedures sections 4-8 voluntary. We will also remove the requirement for completion of their associated CerTests – 8094- 8098. We are updating our AFQTPs covering Air Field Marking.

When complete we will have one web-based AFQTP that will cover “MAOS Marking and Layout”. This new product is almost complete and will address recent Lessons Learned from Operation Iraq Freedom and provide guidance on the proper siting of the PAPI units.

Look for an **Engineering A-Gram** to be published in Feb '04. This A-Gram will cover standardized Prime BEEF hardware and software, Geodimeter batteries, Geodimeter replacement units, a common surveying data collector for our field, Engineering Apprentice course extension, delivery of Geospatial Intelligence System (GIS) Equipment Supply Listing (ESL) items and the creation of an equipment only GPS Global Positioning System (GPS) Unit Type Code (UTC) for the Prime BEEF 4F9EA teams.

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3E0X1 Electrical & 3E0X2 Power Production. SMSgt Trevino has moved to the CEMIRT Operation Manager position here at Tyndall AFB, FL. MSgt Waldlena Schmidt will now be handling the CFM duties for these career fields. CMSgt Charlie Warren will be handling the 3E6X1 CFM duties in the interim.

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Utilization and Training Workshops (U&TW). Starting in March of this year, the Civil Engineer community will begin a new round of U&TWs. Chaired by AFSC training professionals and hosted by the respective schoolhouses, the U&TW is the primary tool for determining education and training requirements within an AFSC.

The work accomplished by the workshop attendees will establish the future education and training requirements for each AFSC. Obviously, the success of these workshops should be a high priority for the entire civil engineer community, and will take a collective effort to ensure we capture all training requirements.

The first phase in the U&TW process is the occupational survey and is underway for many AFSCs. It is important to note that CE is one of the first communities to utilize the AF Occupational Measurement Squadron's new web-based survey tools. This new technology is much easier to use than the paper products of the past. Many of you may have already participated in these surveys ensuring your voice is heard. For those who have not, please do so as applicable and as early as possible. Your participation or non-participation will determine the future direction of your AFS. If you have AFSC-specific questions concerning your U&TW, please contact your Career Field Manager.

For general U&TW information, you can contact SMSgt Jim Lucas at DSN 523-6380 or jim.lucas@tyndall.af.mil.

U&TW Schedule (Tentative)

3E0X1	JAN 05
3E0X2	APR 05
3E1X1	OCT 04
3E2X1	JUL 04
3E3X1	FEB 05
3E4X1	MAY 05
3E4X2	JAN 06
3E4X3	FEB 06
3E5X1	MAY 04
3E6X1	JUN 04
3E7X1	SEP 05
3E8X1	AUG 05
3E9X1	MAR 04

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COVER Train 2.0. The LAN certification, LAN Installation guide, updated "How to Guide" and a new patch (2.0.50) is available on the AFCEA COVER Train web page at: <http://www.afcesa.af.mil/Directorate/CEO/Training/covertrain/default.htm>. The patch includes the new EOD CFETP, an electronic transcribe feature for MTLs and records, corrects inconsistencies to the Readiness STS and other program enhancements. We recently completed two satellite broadcast training sessions on 19 Nov and 9 Dec. We will perform another broadcast in March that will cover both training sessions. A copy of the broadcasts will be forwarded to all MAJCOM training managers. A new message mandating use of the program NLT 31 Mar 04 will be released in the near future.

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Satellite Broadcast. Our satellite Broadcast was a great success last year. We had more participants and registrants than any other year. I would like to thank 1st AF (Lou Bieschlic & Debbie Kiser), (Recently retired) SMSgt Laurent McDonald and MSgt Wally Schmidt for their support in making these broadcasts possible. Although we had a great supporting staff, it was the training managers and the people at the units that made the broadcasts worthwhile. Major General Fox, HQ USAF/ILE stated that headquarters organizations need to get back to the bases to see and hear the needs of the troops in the field. By doing the satellite broadcasts we hope that we are doing just that. With that in mind I need your help in creating a better broadcast for this year. Please email me with recommended changes or additions to the broadcast. We need to hear from you.

We will be posting a new schedule around March 2004.

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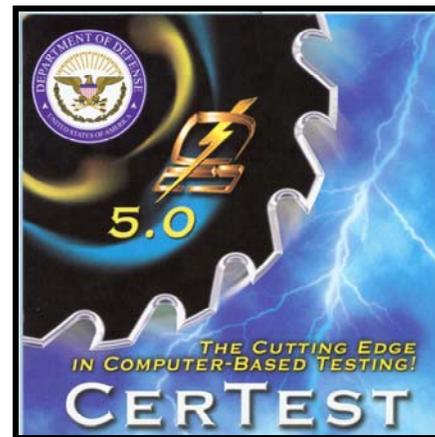
2004 Unit Education and Training Manager (UETM) Workshops. First things first! We would like to thank everyone for the outstanding support during our 2003 UETM workshops! Like always, the hosts stepped up the challenge and helped make all the workshops a complete success. There were some great locations this year and we are looking forward to this year's workshops. That being said, please begin thinking about dates and locations for next year's workshops. AMC has already requested an April workshop at Charleston AFB, SC and the ANG workshop is tentatively scheduled for July. MFMs, please let me know what your plans are. Looking forward to a great round of UETM Workshops in 2004.

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CerTest Update. *CerTest 5.0* was officially released to the traditional civil engineer community on 1 December 03. This completely reengineered version is a replacement for CerTest 4.0/4.5. CerTest 5.0 is a major upgrade and includes several enhancements that will assist CE training personnel perform their mission more effectively. Along with CerTest 5.0's release, a completely overhauled program management and implementation guide was sent to all CE and MAJCOM Training Managers for immediate use. It is very important to follow the implementation guide to ensure the migration from CerTest 4 to 5.0 is accomplished correctly.

CerTest 5.0 includes some new and improved features and eliminates many of the problems associated with 4.0/4.5. Navigation within the program is basically the same. So, you will not have to learn a whole new program. The trainees are now given instant feedback to questions missed. This extremely useful feature provides valuable information to trainees and supervisors for use in accessing training effectiveness.

AFCEA will post a new web page exclusively dedicated to CerTest 5.0. This page will include all-important information regarding 5.0, and will include a frequently asked question (FAQ) section to aide in troubleshooting your program.



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CFETP update. To eliminate the confusion of having different versions of CFETPs and their respective changes, the actual documents are no longer available on our website. We have provided a link to the AFPUBs site for all CFETPs and changes. This will ensure that everyone has the correct document.

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MISSION ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT TRAINING (MEET). Did you know that there are certain pieces of bare base equipment that have recurring training requirements outside of the normal home station and Silver Flag training? These are for mission essential equipment items that are not available at home station due to limited procurement and high cost. The items include the following: ROWPU, MAAS, MEP-12, Harvest Falcon Electrical Distribution System, EALS, and the POL RURK. These requirements are for one or two personnel from each UTC and are required on either 15, 30 or 45 month intervals. Details of these training requirements can be found in AFI 10-210, Chapter 4 and this training requirement is SORTS reportable under CAT II training. There are several venues available to provide this training across the total force. They include advanced technical training courses, the ANG Regional Training Sites, AFRC Expeditionary Combat Support Training and Certification Center, the overseas Silver Flag sites at Kadena AB and Ramstein AB, 49 Material Maintenance Group, and the CE Airfield Operations course offered by AMC at the Air Mobility Warfare Center. Contact information for these locations can be found at: <https://wwwmil.afcesa.af.mil/Directorate/CEX/CEXX/ContingencyTrng/default.html> in the World Wide Contingency Training Locator.

For more information on this and other contingency training issues contact SMSgt Rodger Brown at DSN 523-6134 or rodger.brown@tyndall.af.mil.

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I am exceptionally proud to be your AF Civil Engineer CFM. It's been a quick 6 months that has keeps me running from meeting to meeting and conference to conference. I can honestly say, I haven't seen a group of harder working troops (CFMs) in my 25 ½ years of service. Your CFMs are putting in long hours supporting initiatives, fighting for the survival of CE and justifying benefits. Our annual Enlisted Training Review Committee will be held at here at AFCESA, Tyndall AFB, FL, 15 – 19 Mar 04. Your Chief's council makes up the committee that reviews all enlisted training and makes adjustments as required to support the mission. The CE Chief's Council is made up of your MAJCOM functionals. Please ensure you are venting your challenges and training concerns to your squadron CEM, so he/she can forward it to the MAJCOM CE Functional. The CE Functional can then table it at the conference for discussion and resolution. Again, I am proud to represent a world-class work force of Civil Engineers who give their all each and every day in our great Air Force.

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