



# Fact Sheet

## PfP Winter Mountain Training Course

### DM CHE.2834.14



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Training Course Andermatt, Switzerland, 5<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2024

Within the context of the Partnership for Peace (PfP programme, the Training Command – Mountain Center of Competence unit (AFMCC) in Andermatt offers a PfP Winter Mountain Training Course in the Swiss Alps.

All courses are free of charge, which includes the accommodation and meals on site at the barracks in Andermatt or in alpine huts, from arrival to departure. Please state special meal requirements on the application form.

Travel costs are to be covered by the sending Nation.

All course activities will be in uniform. Participants have to bring their own appropriate clothing (You need to bring your mountain boots).

However, unavailable clothing, equipment and technical material will be provided if needed.

Courses are open to NATO/PfP, MD, ICI and Contact States. Participants need to be active duty officers, NCO's or soldiers. No retired or civilian personnel will be accepted!

The goals are:

- Movement and survival in mountainous areas under difficult winter conditions;
- Leading and guiding in difficult terrain;
- Avalanche risks and rescue measures;
- Avalanche risk assessment (different methods).

Participants should be able to:

- Move and survive in mountainous areas under difficult winter conditions;
  - Orientation, assessment, tactics;
  - Improvised rescue;
- Recognize and evaluate avalanche risks;
- Initiate and take avalanche rescue measures;
- Plan and conduct mountain tours;
- Fulfil missions in exercises in difficult terrain.

The following page provides further information about the course. Please contact us if you have any questions; we'll be happy to answer them. We are looking forward to your application.



## Additional Information / details

<b>EAPWP Code</b>	DM CHE.2834.14
<b>Nickname</b>	PfP Winter Mountain Training Course
<b>Type</b>	Course
<b>Objectives / Level</b>	On the first day of the course there is going to be an evaluation of everyone's skills. Depending on the levels needed there will be a division in different performance groups (basic and advanced).
<b>Duration / Date</b>	Arrival Day 5 <sup>th</sup> February - Departure Day 17 <sup>th</sup> February <b>Course days: 5<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024</b> (9 days education)
<b>Location</b>	CH-6490 Andermatt, Switzerland.
<b>Language Requirements</b>	<p>The course is conducted in English. Fluent English language skills – in speaking, writing and listening – are mandatory in order to be able to follow the lessons and perform the exercises.</p> <p>Participants must have at least the following standards of proficiency in English (as described in STANAG 6001): <b>2222</b>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Listening (fair / 2)</li><li>▪ Speaking (fair / 2)</li><li>▪ Reading (fair / 2)</li><li>▪ Writing (fair / 2)</li></ul>
<b>Costs</b>	All courses are free of charge, which includes the accommodation and meals on site at the barracks in Andermatt or in alpine huts, from arrival to departure. Please state special meal requirements on the application form. Travel costs are to be covered by the sending Nation.
<b>Restrictions</b>	<p>Course is open to NATO/PfP, MD, ICI and Contact States. The maximum number of participants is 20 and a maximum of 2 participants per nation can be accepted.</p> <p><b>Registration deadline: 9<sup>th</sup> December 2023</b></p> <p>Allocation will be on a "first come - first served" basis! <b>The spouses are not accepted within this military course.</b></p>
<b>Insurance</b>	Without prejudice to other applicable bi- or multilateral treaty regulations between Switzerland and the sending State (e.g. PfP SOFA, training agreement, etc.), all health-care costs generated by sickness or accident of the participant including related financial consequences (transportation, invalidity) must be covered by the sending State. Registration to the course is only possible if the sending State confirms with signature and stamp of the competent authority that it is guaranteed to fully cover such expenses generated in or outside Switzerland. Please join copy of guarantee with application, bring original with you for check in in Andermatt.
<b>Additional Course Information</b>	Armed Forces Mountain Center of Competence (AFMCC) PfP Course, Waffenplatz West, Kommandogebäude CH-6490 Andermatt, Switzerland Phone +41 (0)58 468 83 21 E-mail kdo.gebirgsdienst@vtg.admin.ch
<b>Travel reminder</b>	<p><b>Please consider the following information when planning your journey from Switzerland back to your country:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The train ride from Andermatt railway station to Zurich Airport railway station takes about 2.5 hours.</li><li>• Your luggage needs to be checked in 2 hours before take-off.</li><li>• The first train from Andermatt to Zürich leaves at 0629 a.m.</li><li>• In that case, it is not advised to schedule a take-off before 1030 in the morning.</li></ul>