



Brigadier General Marco KNECHTLE

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Current function

A conscript officer, Brigadier General Knechtle is the Deputy Commander of Territorial Division 4. This division is responsible for supporting civilian authorities in exceptional situations. It comprises the cantons of Appenzell-Innerrhoden, Appenzell-Ausserrhoden, Glarus, St. Gallen, Schaffhausen, Thurgau and Zurich. Territorial Division 4 is responsible for one staff battalion, four infantry battalions, one engineer and one rescue battalion.

Brigadier General Knechtle acts on behalf of the Commander of Territorial Division 4 in all of his functions when the latter is absent.

Career

- 2000 Captain, Commander of a light infantry company
- 2005 Major GS, General Staff Officer in the staff of a territorial region
- 2006 General Staff Officer in the Land Forces Staff
- 2012 Lieutenant Colonel GS, Commander of a mountain specialist division
- 2016 Colonel GS, Chief of Readiness in the Territorial Division 3 Staff
- 2019 Head of Cantonal Liaison Staff for Appenzell Innerrhoden in a Territorial Division Staff
- 2023 Brigadier General, Deputy Commander of Territorial Division 4

Functions

- 2000 Contracted soldier
- 2001 UN military observer in the Golan, United Nations Truce Supervision Organisation (UNTSO)
- 2003 Contracted soldier
- 2006 Backoffice employee, The Pacific Society AG in Appenzell Meistersrüte
- 2014 Secondary school teacher, St Antonius baccalaureate school in Appenzell
- 2015 Vice principal and secondary school teacher, St Antonius baccalaureate school in Appenzell
- 2018 Principal and secondary school teacher, St Antonius baccalaureate school in Appenzell
- 2023 Principal, St Antonius baccalaureate school in Appenzell