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Fact Sheet

PfP Summer Advanced Mountain Training Course DM CHE.2833.14

PfP Summer Advanced Mountain Training Course Andermatt, Switzerland, 22nd JUNE – 3rd JULY 2026

The Swiss Armed Forces Centre of Competence for Mountain Warfare in Andermatt offers a PfP Summer Advanced Mountain Training Course.

Target Audience:

Platoon/ Company leader, trainer and Specialist operators.

Rank Level:

OR 5-9. OF 1-3

Prerequisites:

- March for several hours over steep and rocky terrain
- Carry a rucksack with essential equipment (~15–20 kg)
- Operate in altitudes above 2,000 meters

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 must bring their own appropriate clothing (You will need to bring your mountain boots).

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!

Course Aims

- To develop participants' capabilities in movement and survival in mountainous terrain under challenging conditions.
- To enhance leadership and guiding skills for operations conducted in complex and rugged alpine environments.

Learning Objectives:

Upon completion of the course, participants will be able to:

- Effectively move and survive in mountainous areas under adverse conditions, demonstrating:
 - Rope handling and safety techniques;
- Terrain orientation, situational assessment, and tactical movement;
- Evaluate terrain-related risks and environmental hazards in mountainous areas;
- Plan, lead, and conduct mountain patrols;
- Execute assigned tasks and complete missions during field exercises in difficult terrain.









Additional Information / details	
EAPWP Code	DM CHE.2833.14
Nickname	PfP Summer Advanced Mountain Training Course
Туре	Course
Objectives / Level	 Advanced Course To develop participants' capabilities in movement and survival in mountainous terrain under challenging conditions. To enhance leadership and guiding skills for operations conducted in complex and rugged alpine environments.
Duration / Date	Arrival Day 21 st June - Departure Day 3 rd July Course days: 22nd June to 3rd July 2026 (9 days education)
Location	CH-6490 Andermatt, Switzerland.
Language Requirements	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. Participants must have at least the following standards of proficiency in English (as described in STANAG 6001): 3232.
	 Listening (fair / 3) Speaking (fair / 3) Writing (fair / 2)
Costs	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.
Restrictions	Course is open to NATO/PfP, MD, ICI and Contact States. The maximum number of participants is 15 and a maximum of 2 participants per nation can be accepted.
	Registration deadline: 1 st May 2026
	Allocation will be on a "first come - first served" basis! Spouses/partners are not accepted within this military course.
Insurance	Without prejudice to other applicable bi- or multilateral treaty regulations between Switzer-land 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 attach a copy of guarantee with application, bring original with you for check in in Andermatt.
Additional Course Information	Armed Forces Mountain Centre 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
Travel reminder	 Please consider the following information when planning your journey from Switzerland back to your country: Collective shuttles to Zurich Airport are provided. Train ride to Zurich airport train station available as an alternative. It is not advised to schedule a flight before 1030 AM. If you decide to stay in Switzerland (for tourism, holidays, etc), please ensure to book adequate accommodation.

Application Form PfP Summer Advanced Mountain Training Course



Link to the application