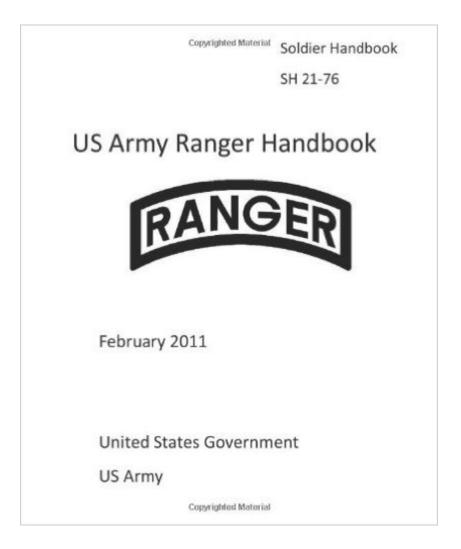
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# Soldier Handbook SH 21-76 US Army Ranger Handbook February 2011





### Synopsis

The Ranger Handbook is mainly written for U.S. Army Rangers and other light Infantry units, however it should also serve as a handy reference for other U.S. military units as it contains a summary of other manuals such as FM 6-22 (FM 22-100), FM 3-21.8 (FM 7-8), FM 3-21.10 (FM 7-10), FM 3-90, FM 3-55.93 (FM 7-93). It covers how Infantry squad- and platoon-sized elements conduct combat operations in varied terrains. It cites other Army resources to ensure continuity. This handbook provides squad and platoon leaders with the roles, tactics, knowledge, and operational requirements to employ combat multipliers in a combat environment. Contains: RANGER CREED STANDING ORDERS ROGERâ ™S RANGERS RANGER HISTORY CH1 LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLES DUTIES, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND ACTIONS ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND CH2 OPERATIONS TROOP-LEADING PROCEDURES COMBAT INTELLIGENCE WARNING ORDER OPERATION ORDER FRAGMENTARY ORDER ANNEXES COORDINATION CHECKLISTS TASK, PURPOSE, OPERATION TERRAIN MODEL CH3 FIRE SUPPORT BASIC FIRE SUPPORT TASKS, TARGETING, AND INTERDICTION CAPABILITIES RISK ESTIMATE DISTANCES TARGET OVERLAYS CALL FOR FIRE CLOSE AIR SUPPORT CLOSE COMBAT ATTACK AVIATION CH4 COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT MILITARY RADIOS MAN-PACK RADIO ASSEMBLY (AN/PRC-119F) AUTOMATED NET-CONTROL DEVICE BASIC TROUBLESHOOTING ANTENNAS REPAIRS CONSTRUCTION AND ADJUSTMENT FIELD EXPEDIENT (FE) OMNI DIRECTIONAL ANTENNAS ANTENNA LENGTH PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS CH5 DEMOLITIONS INITIATING (PRIMING) SYSTEMS DETONATION (FIRING) SYSTEMS SAFETY EXPEDIENT EXPLOSIVES--IMPROVISED SHAPED CHARGE EXPEDIENT EXPLOSIVES--PLATTER CHARGE EXPEDIENT EXPLOSIVES--GRAPESHOT CHARGE DEMOLITION KNOTS MINIMUM SAFE DISTANCES BREACHING CHARGES TIMBER CUTTING CHARGES CH6 MOVEMENT FORMATIONS MOVEMENT TECHNIQUES STANDARDS FUNDAMENTALS TACTICAL MARCHES MOVEMENT DURING LIMITED VISIBILITY CONDITIONS DANGER AREAS CH7 PATROLS PRINCIPLES PLANNING RECONNAISSANCE SECURITY CONTROL COMMON SENSE PLANNING TASK ORGANIZATION INITIAL PLANNING AND COORDINATION COMPLETION OF PLAN RECONNAISSANCE PATROLS FUNDAMENTALS OF RECONNAISSANCE TASK STANDARDS ACTIONS ON THE OBJECTIVE, AREA RECONNAISSANCE ACTIONS ON THE OBJECTIVE, ZONE RECONNAISSANCE COMBAT PATROLS PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS AMBUSH HASTY AMBUSH DELIBERATE (POINT/AREA) AMBUSH PERFORM RAID SUPPORTING TASKS LINKUP DEBRIEF OBJECTIVE RALLY POINT PATROL BASE MOVEMENT TO CONTACT TECHNIQUES TASK STANDARDS

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I used this for a summer training event and found myself frequently referencing its material. It's laid out just like other ranger handbooks. It is a pretty small package and should fit in most cargo pockets (will not fit shoulder or leg pockets of ACUs). The paper feels like copy paper, with a slightly thicker cover on the outsides. That said it should be protected if you plan on taking it anywhere damp.In all, it is a no frills quick, small, easy to use reference.

The information may all be there, but the illustrations in this version look like somebody faxed them in to the publisher for printing. Very low fidelity in all visuals. The book is on the small side, but the regular text is pretty clear and I had no problems reading it. I'd guess this is probably close to as portable as it gets for the amount of information present. Any smaller and the text would start to suffer, or it would be a pretty thick book.

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Typical military training manual. Just like the one I let someone borrow 15 years ago. Little difficult to carry in pocket in kindle version though.

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