



# Common Module **Stress Management**

Module Description

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Country	Institution	Common Module	ECTS
PL	MULF	Stress Management	2.0

Service ALL  Language English	Minimum Qualifications for Lecturers
	Knowledge of stress management field in theory and practice.
	Knowledge of how to manage stress and use stress management in military training programmes.
	International experience in combat performance and combat stress behaviours.
	Practical leadership experience.
	Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) Level C1 or NATO STANAG 6001 Level 3 (SLP 3333).
SQF MILOF	Competence area - Combat-Ready Role Model
	Learning area - Military physical and psychological training
	Organisation level - common

### **Prerequisites for International Participants**

- English: Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) Level B1 or NATO STANAG 6001 Level 2 (SLP 2222).
- Knows the TLP.
- Has basic knowledge of the MDMP.
- Ability to work in a team.

### **Goals of the Module**

Apply techniques to maintain and encourage a high level of morale and discipline of subordinates, and the psychological fitness required for enduring a broad range of situations in difficult and dangerous conditions.

Learning Outcomes	Knowledge	<ul> <li>Formulate the causes and implications of stress, early stress signs and symptoms to prevent chronic stress</li> <li>Explain how to control stress through cross-training, task allocation, tasks matching and task sharing.</li> </ul>
	Skills	<ul> <li>Identify potential sources of stress signs.</li> <li>Employ various stress control techniques.</li> </ul>
	Responsibility and autonomy	<ul> <li>Effectively deal with danger and fear as part of leader's life.</li> <li>Recognise the limits of a soldier's endurance.</li> </ul>

#### **Verification of Learning Outcomes**

- Test: Theoretical part of the Module can be conducted via the e-Learning which includes selfevaluations after each lesson, and final test verifying learned knowledge.
- Observation: Throughout the Module students are to discuss assigned topics within syndicates and in the plenary. During their work students are evaluated in order to verify their performance and complete a Stress indicators questionnaire.
- Evaluation: Group presentations of assigned topics, participation in stress-management activities, project presentations and stress management exercise scenario-based training CAX or MAPEX.

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#### **Module Details** (the content is as an example and depend on the course director decision) Recom-Main mended **Details Topic** WH Presentation of the goals and expected outcomes of the course. Introduction 2 Pre-course questionnaire. Types of stress factors in the military. Introduction to stress and Stress Behavioural stress symptoms in the 3 stress management. management military. Types of stress. (can be conducted via e-learning). Tools for stress management. Stress Creation of a personal stress management and Stress-reduction techniques. 3 management plan. relaxation Combat stress management (can be conducted via e-learning). techniques building blocks. Team-building. 6 Determination of a leadership Effective style - a questionnaire. (incl. Effective communication. leadership 4 SW) Time management. Feedback. Planning under time pressure – selected models. Decision making 8 Decision-making in chaos-scenarios. under time (incl. Creation of the sense-making process allowing leaders to make informed 6 SW) pressure decisions. Stress levels - Identification of stress factors. Stress-reduction 8 Stress-reduction techniques – calming physical reactions to stress. techniques (incl. 6 Causes of stress and their effects – a post-training questionnaire to identify for leaders SW) changes in the perception of stress indicators. Strategy for the commander's Dealing with information overload actions in a stressful situation and managing multiple high-priority during combat operations. assignments. Managing leader's reactions. Stress 16 Building team skills. Avoiding extreme reactions. (incl. 14 • management Eliminating negative thinking, exercise (CBST) SW) Controlling emotions. embracing positive thoughts. Reducing negative thinking Monitoring and reducing and fear. subordinates' anger level. Visualising tasks. **Total** 46 **Additional Hours to enhance learning outcomes** Private study & pre-reading hours may be counted as self-study. 14 Course feedback provided by students. The number of hours for the use of the developed e-learning content is up to the module director. He/she may replace the e-learning hours/topics with **Total WH** 60 residential phases.

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The detailed number of hours for the respective main topic is up to the course director according to national laws or the home institution's rules.



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## **List of Abbreviations**

B1, B2, C1	Common Reference Levels
CBST	Competence-Based Scenario Training
ECTS	European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System
IG	Implementation Group
IMLA	International Military Leadership Academy
	Map Exercise
	Military Decision-Making Process
MULF	General Tadeusz Kosciuszko Military University of Land Forces in Wroclaw
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
PL	Poland
SLP	Standardized Language Profile
	Standardization Agreement
SW	Syndicate Work
TLP	Troop-Leading Procedures
WH	Working Hour

