**Important information**

„Infantry Officer Winter Warfare Basic Module”
Estonian Military Academy
Tartu, Estonia 25.01–01.02.2026

**How to apply for the course?**

* Please use the attached Application Form (if you do not know your flight data at this stage you can forward it later on) and send it to the Estonian Military Academy’s (EMA) POC Miss Anabel Selgis anabel.selgis@mil.ee
* Last date for registration is **Friday, 31st of November 2025**
* Participation will be assigned in the order of registration.

**Accommodation and meals**

* Accommodation, teaching aids and meals will be provided free of charge. The sending organization must cover transportation costs to the nearest airport and daily allowance.
* Accommodation will be organized at the EMA dormitory or under alternative cover during exercises.
* Meals will be provided in all locations.
* All outdoor activities will be monitored by professional medics.

**How to get to Tartu, Estonia?**

* **Arrival on Saturday, 24th of January 2026; departure on Monday, 2nd of February 2026**
* There are 2 airports you can use to reach Tartu.
* **Tallinn airport** (Estonia) – connections to major European airports.
* **Riga airport** (Latvia) – connections to major European airports.
* The EMA will provide free transport from the Tallinn (TLL)/Riga (RIX) airport to the EMA and back. A representative of the EMA will meet the participants at the Arrivals Terminal of the TLL/RIX, according to the flight information provided. Although please note that travel time from Tallinn to Tartu is 2.5 hours and from Riga to Tartu 3.5 hours. **Please send information about your arrival/departure times to anabel.selgis@mil.ee by Monday, 9th of January 2026 at the latest.**
* The Estonian Military Academy’s address is Riia Street 12, Tartu.

**Weather forecast**

* Temperatures in Estonia in the beginning of February will probably be about 0 °C, possibly lower. Snow, cold wind and ice are just some of the expected weather events foreseeable during your stay in Tartu. Please pack and dress accordingly!

**Certificate**

* Participants will get a certificate of participation in „Infantry Officer Winter Warfare Basic Module” (2 ECTS).

**Required Equipment**

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| **MANDATORY PERSONAL EQUIPMENT** |
| Tactical vest (or webbing) | 1 set | Including: first aid kit, knife (fixed blade) utensils, canteen (CamelBak is not a substitute), survival kit (min. fire starting tools). |   |
| Helmet with NVG mount | 1 piece |   | can be provided by EMA |
| Body armour | 1 set | without ballistic plates | can be provided by EMA |
| Head torch | 1 piece | 3x sets of respective type of batteries |   |
| Tactical or hunting knife | 1 piece |   |   |
| Eye-pro, ear-pro, goggles with ballistic glasses | 1 piece each |   | ballistic glasses can be provided by EMA |
| Tactical gloves | 1 pair min |   |   |
| Tube scarf | 1 piece | polo neck |   |
| Knee pads | 1 set |   |   |
| Poncho/Bivvy | 1 piece |   | can be provided by EMA |
| Tactical water bottle | 1 piece | 0,5-1L |   |
| Rucksack | 1 piece | min 80L |   |
| Sleeping bag | 1 set | arctic (at least -20 degrees) | can be provided by EMA |
| Sleeping mat | 1 piece |   | can be provided by EMA |
| Hygiene kit | 1 set |   |   |
| Field uniform jacket | 2 pieces |   |   |
| Field uniform trousers | 2 sets |   |   |
| T-shirt | 3 pieces min |   |   |
| Underwear | 6 sets |   |   |
| White camouflage jacket | 1 piece |   | can be provided by EMA |
| White camouflage trousers | 1 piece |   | can be provided by EMA |
| Waterproof(rain) jacket | 1 piece |   |   |
| Waterproof(rain) trousers | 1 piece |   |   |
| Winter parka | 1 piece | with hood |   |
| Winter pants | 1 piece |   |   |
| Warm base layer | 2 sets |   |   |
| Sweater/fleece(warm mid layer) | 1 piece |   |   |
| Winter gloves | 2 pairs min |   |   |
| Mittens | 1 pair | shell mitten + inner mitten | can be provided by EMA |
| Winter hat (fleece) | 1 piece |   |   |
| Socks | 6 sets min | min 3 sets winter socks, min 70% wool; the rest cotton boot socks |   |
| Boots | 2 pairs | Leather shell-type boots. Ensure relax fit with thick socks. | can be provided by EMA |
| Overboots | 1 pair |   | can be provided by EMA |
| Maintenance kit for boots | 1 set | brush and polish/wax |   |
| **OPTIONAL PERSONAL EQUIPMENT** |
| Gaiters | 1 pair |   |   |
| Multitool | 1 set |   |   |
| Waterproof bags | 2 pieces | necessary if your rucksack is not waterproof |   |
| Suspenders  | 1 set | preferred instead of belt |   |
| Patrol pack | 1 set | day sack |   |
| Mesh/string base layer | 1 piece | wool/merino |   |
| Thermos | 1 piece | min 0,5L |   |

* The list of mandatory equipment a participant needs and can be issued by the EMA should be sent to the EMA with application form (**there is a special field in the form for listing the items**).
* For any further questions or concerns about the required equipment, please contact POC Miss Anabel Selgis.

**Some more useful information**

* There is cultural programme happening on Sunday, 25th of January, visit to the Estonian National Museum and Ice Breaker in Cadet Mess Hall.
* Please don’t forget to pack casual clothing as well.
* Rest assured that card payments and cash are accepted in all shops/restaurants/bars in Estonia.