We continue to see an urgent need for ways to prevent abuses by military personnel during armed conflict. The Geneva Conventions obligate every country to provide training to military personnel in the laws of war—laws designed to protect combatants, prisoners, and civilians alike. But many countries lack the knowledge or the resources to provide law of war training. This manual seeks to address this need and help countries understand and meet their law of war training obligations.

*Law of War Training* is a resource for military and civilian leaders to find information and assistance in providing law of war training for their military personnel. The manual analyzes options for law of war training and helps leaders assess how to implement training within specific financial and operational constraints. It also includes a directory of training programs at national and international levels and provides Web links to useful resources and institutions. As programs and contacts change, updates to this manual will be available on the USIP website at www.usip.org.

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Introduction

The challenges of contemporary conflicts and recent abuses committed by military personnel in war zones and violent conflicts the world over reemphasize the central importance of the law of armed conflict (LOAC)—the law of war—for the protection of combatants, prisoners, and noncombatants alike, and cultural and religious landmarks. At their most basic level, the laws of war promote and protect many of the values intrinsic to human life and dignity. Every country has an obligation to provide training to ensure that its military personnel understand and can adhere to the law of armed conflict. Under the Geneva Conventions, states are explicitly required to “include the study [of the law of armed conflict] in their programmes of military . . . instruction, so that the principles thereof may become known to all their armed forces.” Yet not all countries currently include law of war training as part of their regular military training or offer it in any form. Although this shortcoming sometimes results from a lack of motivation or a simple disregard for the Geneva Conventions, in most countries this lack of law of war training stems primarily from an absence of knowledge and opportunity.

To fill this knowledge gap, a collaborative international team convened by the United States Institute of Peace undertook an initial worldwide survey of military law of war training programs and created the first edition of this resource manual. The International Humanitarian Law Clinic at Emory Law School, in collaboration with the United States Institute of Peace, has expanded and updated the information in this second edition. This manual is meant to serve not only as an information source but also as a catalyst for more countries to begin offering law of war training to their troops. It is also intended to provide a useful resource that governments can reference in determining the most appropriate means for ensuring their military forces are trained in the law of war. Operational commanders, military chiefs of staff, and civilian decisionmakers in ministries of defense and other appropriate bodies will be able to access information about the types of training programs other countries have implemented and learn about possible options for instituting such training in their own countries. In addition, military and civilian leaders interested in having selected personnel participate in training programs provided by external sources will also be able to find information about bilateral assistance and international training programs. Further, the contacts and links to resources contained herein will hopefully prove useful to governments seeking to institute or improve law of war training in their own militaries.

The manual’s first section offers an analysis of the different options available for pursuing such training. It also provides a framework that military and civilian leaders can use to assess how they can efficiently implement a law of war training program within the framework of their country’s own specific financial and human resource constraints and institutional infrastructure.

The second section offers a directory of existing programs and training models, representing the responses received to the survey distributed to ministries of defense and military bodies in every member state of the

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1. The “law of armed conflict” and the “law of war” are synonymous terms encompassing the laws and customs of war based upon both the Geneva and Hague Conventions and customary international law. The term “international humanitarian law” is also often used interchangeably with the law of armed conflict and the law of war, but it generally refers to a broader category of laws and principles encompassing not only the traditional laws of armed conflict, including war crimes, but also laws related to genocide and crimes against humanity. This manual uses the terms law of armed conflict and law of war interchangeably, and focuses on the rules and principles militaries must follow during conflict in accordance with the Geneva Conventions.

2. Article common to all four Geneva Conventions of 1949: GC I art. 47; GC II art. 48; GC III art. 127; and GC IV art. 144. One hundred ninety-four countries have ratified the four Geneva Conventions of 1949. One hundred seventy-one countries have ratified the Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949, and Relating to the Protection of Victims of International Armed Conflicts (Protocol I–AP I), and one hundred sixty-six countries have ratified the Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949, and Relating to the Protection of Victims of Non-International Armed Conflicts (Protocol II–AP II).

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United Nations. The directory covers the national training programs of fifty-three countries and the bilateral, regional, or international training courses offered by fifteen countries, provides data on fourteen countries receiving external training from these and other sources, and lists eleven countries that provide training but did not submit detailed information for the manual. Military and civilian leaders can use this information to review what many other countries have done and apply this knowledge in developing their own training efforts. In addition, using the contact information provided in the directory, they can communicate with counterparts in other countries to obtain additional information and advice about developing a training program, and get in touch with bilateral and international programs for training assistance.

The manual’s third and final section provides a comprehensive list of Web links to a wide variety of institutes, universities, militaries, governments, and other organizations that offer useful information about the law of war, law of armed conflict training, and related topics.

The goal of this manual is to ensure that, in seeking to train their military forces in the law of armed conflict, no military or civilian leaders will be left to wonder, “Where do we begin?” The first step is to understand the different options and opportunities currently available. The next step is to contact relevant departments, institutes, and organizations to seek advice about starting an internal training program or to enroll officers or units in a bilateral, regional, or international course.

Ultimately, this manual is meant to provide any country with the information it needs to begin to fulfill its basic obligations under the Geneva Conventions and stimulate an ongoing exchange and sharing of information.

National militaries not profiled in this directory are encouraged to submit information for future inclusion, while national militaries and other organizations currently included in the directory are urged to provide updates as appropriate. Information may be sent by email to lawofwar@law.emory.edu, or by regular mail to International Humanitarian Law Clinic, Emory University School of Law, 1301 Clifton Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30322, United States of America.
Analysis of Training: Programs and Options

The Geneva Conventions mandate that all state parties disseminate information about the law of war and provide training to their military personnel to ensure that they understand and can adhere to their obligations.\(^1\) The directory of military training programs in section II demonstrates that countries around the world have developed widely varying approaches to training their troops. In designing a program to train military personnel in the law of armed conflict, military and civilian leaders face several fundamental choices. First, will they integrate law of war training into existing military training or will they arrange for training through foreign sources? If they choose the latter, will they send select officers abroad for training or have a foreign military or international institute provide the training at home? Second, the leaders designing the training need to decide what types of training they want to introduce, whether classroom lectures, distance learning, or field exercises, and in what combination. Third, they need to determine what materials they will use for training and whether they will use materials prepared by external sources, such as the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), or develop their own materials. Finally, military and civilian leaders must assess the financial resources available for law of war training and consider the range of potential options that work within their budgets. While budgetary concerns naturally play a role in the design and development of any training program, these concerns vary from country to country; this analysis, therefore, will not specifically consider financial issues.

Although most other aspects of military training require an analysis of these four categories of questions, a country’s military is required to address them with regard to law of war training in order to comply with its international legal obligations.

Key Issues in Planning and Implementing Law of War Training

One critical aspect of any law of war training program is that it should be implemented within the framework of a country’s human and financial resources and infrastructure. As a result, no one program will work for every country. Each military should assess its needs and capabilities before designing a training program and reassess during its implementation to ensure that it is fulfilling its obligations under international law and providing information in a useful and meaningful way to the necessary personnel. Military and civilian personnel tasked with designing such programs can look to countries with comparable military forces and resources for examples and guidance on how best to implement training in the law of armed conflict. Additionally, they can explore opportunities for external assistance through a regional organization or a country offering training abroad.

Manpower

An assessment of manpower or human resources raises two primary questions: what are the needs of the military organization in the area of law of war training, and what capabilities does it have to provide such training? A country with an active military deployed overseas or involved in international peace operations will need a more comprehensive and in-depth training program. This approach is to ensure that all personnel receive some minimum level of training and that all units participating in peace operations, conflict, or other activities receive more advanced and detailed training, through both lectures and field exercises. In

contrast, a country with a limited military and little or no involvement in combat or peace operations may simply require a short training course for all personnel with additional training for commanders and legal advisers. Another consideration is the nature of the country’s military organization—that is, whether it is a professional military or a conscript army, whether the education level of officers and enlisted personnel is high or low, and whether it is top-heavy with officers or mostly enlisted personnel. Training an army of conscripts who are predominantly uneducated or even illiterate will demand an entirely different program and approach from training for a professional army with an educated officer corps.

Manpower also affects a military’s ability to implement training in the law of armed conflict. For example, if judge advocates or legal affairs officers are available, an internal training program will likely be the most efficient and effective option. If no such individuals are available to direct the training, a government will need to seek out external sources for training. Perhaps the simplest and easiest option in the short-term is to arrange for the ICRC to send a team to provide training and materials. Another similar option, if available through regional organizations or bilateral relationships, is to request bilateral assistance training from a country that has an established program of such training. This manual’s directory section on bilateral assistance training identifies countries that have bilateral training programs and provides information on how to apply for such training assistance.

A country that is interested in developing its own internal training program but is not yet able to do so may also consider having its officer corps receive training from external sources, either at home or abroad, so that it can then pass that knowledge on to the lower ranks. Many international and bilateral programs operate on this basis, inviting select officers from various countries to attend training courses at their defense college or security institute, with the hope that they will take their newfound understanding of the law of armed conflict home and train their colleagues and subordinates accordingly. Such programs are offered by the International Institute of Humanitarian Law (IIHL), the George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, and other organizations and institutions listed in the directory. This “train the trainer” approach mirrors one of the most successful methods used in internal training programs. The basic premise of the “train the trainer” method is that each level of military personnel is trained by its immediate superiors as part of the overall integrated training program, which allows training in the law of armed conflict to become thoroughly interwoven into operational training. In countries with a hierarchical military structure and an educated officer corps, this approach may prove to be the most effective path to the development of an internal, integrated training program in the law of armed conflict.

Another consideration is whether there are civilian personnel or institutions that can play a role in the development and implementation of a training program. In many countries, civilian attorneys and legal academics with an expertise in the law of war work with the Ministry of Defense and the military as legal advisers and sometimes serve as instructors for training in the law of armed conflict. For example, many legal advisers in the Swedish military come from outside the armed forces, such as public prosecutors, for example. In addition to training at its National Defense College, the Swedish military also operates law of war training classes through various universities. When law of war training within the military establishment is not a viable option, universities may be able to step in and fill the gap, providing the legal experts and the facilities for training courses. While universities generally cannot offer field exercises and war gaming, courses for officers who can then train their troops can be a key addition for countries that do not have military personnel prepared to serve as legal advisers and instructors from the start. It is important, therefore, to include civilian capabilities and personnel in any assessment of resources and possible options for training.

**Opportunity for External Assistance**

Exploring options for training from external sources is an important early step in the process of developing a training program in the law of war, particularly for countries that do not have any existing programs. For such countries, taking advantage of external sources can ensure that military personnel
receive the necessary training during the time required for the development and initiation of an internal training program. Indeed, for some countries with small militaries and small budgets, external training may provide sufficient instruction and practice in the law of armed conflict and thereby eliminate the need for a full internal program. For other countries, external training can at least serve as a catalyst or an interim option. All countries can benefit from the training opportunities available through the ICRC and IIHL, including, at a minimum, the potential for officers and legal advisers to meet and develop relationships with their counterparts in other countries.

There are two primary categories of external training: bilateral assistance training offered by a single country to individuals and/or units, and training provided through regional organizations or conferences. If a country has a relationship with one of the countries offering bilateral assistance training, it may have more than one option for such training. For example, the United States offers training for individuals from other countries through a variety of programs, such as the Defense Institute for International Legal Studies (DIILS). Similarly, Germany provides training for individuals through bilateral support agreements with certain countries, Switzerland offers training for individual officers from the fifty member countries of the Euro-Atlantic Partnership Council, and South Africa includes officers from the Southern African Development Community in its own training programs. Governments can also arrange for foreign instructors or units to come to them to provide training to groups of officers or military units. DIILS, for example, provides an average of sixty-five training sessions for more than 2,000 participants in forty countries each year. Since its inception almost twenty years ago, DIILS has conducted nearly 900 mobile programs and trained more than 30,000 military and civilian personnel from more than 144 countries around the world. Denmark, Switzerland, and New Zealand, meanwhile, offer training for troops that will be serving with their own national troops in peacekeeping operations.

Another excellent option for external training is to take advantage of programs available to members of certain regional organizations. For example, NATO’s Partnership for Peace now has several training centers throughout Europe, some of which offer training in the law of armed conflict. The United States’ Marshall Center serves representatives from countries in Central and Eastern Europe and from the former Soviet Union. In many cases, countries seeking to develop training programs can participate in one or more external training courses or programs, often at little or no cost.

**Choices Governments Need to Make in Designing Training**

The issues of manpower and the availability of external training sources (along with budgetary constraints) greatly affect the choices military and civilian leaders make in developing and implementing law of war training programs. In addition, military leaders must make choices in four critical areas and decide between an array of specific training options: internal vs. external training; classroom lectures vs. field exercises; self-generated materials vs. materials from international, regional, or other national sources; and budgetary allocations. This section will focus on the first two choices. The latter two choices depend more on individual country needs. Governments generally begin their programs using materials from the ICRC or other expert sources and eventually develop their own materials if and when appropriate. Specific budgetary considerations also require that financial questions be addressed on an individual country basis.

**Internal vs. External Training**

Choosing between developing a national training program and using external sources for training is the first decision military or civilian leaders need to make. In some cases, budgetary considerations will eliminate the option of internal training, leaving only the various types of external training as options. For countries that can choose between internal and external training, or that may seek to combine training at home with training from other countries and organizations, there are several considerations to address in deciding how best to structure their programs.
To the extent that financial resources will be available in the long term for the implementation of an internal training program, most law of war training experts recommend that governments develop their own national training program. Doing so allows law of war training to be integrated into the country’s specific military culture and regular year-round military training, including field exercises and war games. While external training may only include law of war courses for senior officers, internal training—even a program that includes some foreign instructors—can reach many more people and be conducted with attention to a country’s specific cultural framework. Although some external training programs such as DIILS employ interpreters for the training, external training is generally offered in the language of the provider country and/or other major languages. Language, therefore, will play a crucial role in determining whether external training is an option at all, and, if so, what types of external training will be feasible. For example, some countries may have only a few military officers or civilian personnel who are proficient in the appropriate language. As a result, countries without widespread knowledge of major languages may be able to send only a few officers for external training.

Aside from budgetary and language considerations, there are several ways to strike an appropriate balance between internal and external training based on a reasoned and objective analysis of a country’s needs and capabilities. At one end of the spectrum is a country with a small military that does not participate in international peacekeeping operations, rarely, if ever, engages in conflict activity, and in essence exists primarily in a self-defense or ceremonial capacity. For such a country, relying exclusively or nearly exclusively on external training will generally be the most efficient and effective way to introduce law of war training. At the other end of the spectrum is a country with a large, well-trained military that is consistently deployed around the world in a variety of situations, including international peacekeeping operations and direct conflict. This type of country must have its own internal program for law of war instruction in which the training is fully integrated into regular training and field exercises. In fact, most countries fitting this description do have such training programs in place already.

The majority of countries and militaries fall somewhere in the middle. That is, perhaps they are engaged in peacekeeping operations, have been involved in armed conflict in the past ten years or are likely to be so in the next ten years, or are simply located in an unstable region where conflict could and does break out from time to time. All of these countries need to ensure that their military personnel receive training in the law of armed conflict, not only to fulfill their obligations under the Geneva Conventions to provide such training but also to prepare their militaries to apply these rules when deployed. In these cases, military and civilian leaders will need to utilize some combination of internal and external training to develop a comprehensive and wide-ranging training program that can fit their particular needs. To assess the correct balance, they may want to consider whether there are officers who could be sent abroad for training and then come back and implement a program at home. If so, they can design a quasi “train-the-trainer” approach in which legal advisers and senior officers enroll in courses and participate in external programs. These officers can then be the key participants and instructors in a growing internal training program—the legal advisers can use their training to develop detailed courses and scenarios for field exercises and the senior officers can train lower-ranked officers, who can then train their troops. Over time, these officers and legal advisers will be able to train their assistants and successors at home, with continued assistance from external sources as necessary, eventually leading to the development of a comprehensive and self-perpetuating internal training program.

Countries whose militaries frequently participate in international peacekeeping operations will need to have more advanced law of war training to ensure smooth cooperation and coordination with peacekeeping units from other countries. The advantage for these countries is that they usually have the opportunity—or are even required—to train with peacekeeping units from larger countries with more advanced and comprehensive law of war training programs. One option to consider for these countries is to use this opportunity to improve law of war training for the rest of the military by having officers from the peacekeeping units subsequently train officers and personnel from other units at home.
Classroom vs. Field Exercises
Once a general framework for law of war training is in place, military leaders can then focus on how to structure the internal training programs. One of the key decisions is how to apportion the training between classroom lectures and field exercises and other operational training. Experts stress the importance of field exercises for law of war training—unlike lectures, situational exercises force troops and officers to practice and model correct responses over and over until they become automatic. In general, field exercises for law of war training focus on two types of training: habit training, which involves building law of war issues into routine exercise regimes for the lower echelon; and adviser training, which involves teaching the higher ranks to turn to experts for advice and assistance on legal issues as they arise during combat, peacekeeping, or other operations. Consistent and frequent use of field exercises that include law of war issues will establish a firm framework that will then enable commanders to develop and use specific scenarios they may face while on mission for tailored predeployment training.

Field exercises that include law of war scenarios supplemented with several hours of law of war lectures per year is the ideal balance for providing proper training. Countries that have extensive field exercises and operational training should integrate law of war scenarios into those exercises. For countries that do not conduct extensive exercises or have no instructors who can design and implement relevant field exercises and war games, training will first need to come from classroom lectures until the resources for field exercise training are in place. Naturally, the military’s role in the country and in the regional and international context will affect the exact training balance. For example, units participating in peacekeeping operations will need intensive, comprehensive operational and field training. Similarly, units that provide internal security will need the relevant law of war and human rights training. Another consideration in determining the type of training involves the education level of the rank-and-file troops. While lectures should not comprise the majority of law of war training in most cases, in militaries with educated, literate personnel, classroom lectures, distribution of written materials, computer-based simulations, and other such approaches to training can play an important role. If, on the other hand, the majority of military personnel to be trained are generally illiterate or have only low levels of education, classroom lectures based on complex materials may be less effective than practical training exercises.

Getting Started
Initiating a law of war training program requires careful planning to ensure that the program meets a given country’s needs appropriately. The following checklist provides a preliminary road map for designing and implementing law of war training after the factors discussed previously have been considered.

- **Budget:** While budgetary constraints do not release a country from its obligation to provide adequate law of war training, financial resources often will be a limiting factor or even the decisive factor in choosing between two or more options for law of war training programs. Beyond simply identifying how much money is available for the development and implementation of training, military and civilian leaders need to assess how available resources can be allocated among different training options. At a minimum, leaders must evaluate not only the total financial resources available for training but also any constraints on the distribution of those resources for various training programs and facilities. Leaders must also explore the opportunities for assistance from other sectors or from abroad.

- **Personnel:** A lack of instructors, whether military lawyers, civilian lawyers, or others, will mean that even a thoroughly internal law of war training program will need external assistance in the form of instructors who can provide the direct training and/or train future instructors. Leaders therefore need to assess whether an appropriate number of personnel with sufficient law of war expertise is available to provide instruction. If not, provisions for the training of instructors and for the recruitment of future instructors will need to be a component of any law of war training development plan.
• **Materials:** Many countries develop their own training manuals, exercise scenarios, and materials for law of war training. When first developing internal training programs, however, countries usually must rely on materials from the ICRC, the national Red Cross or Red Crescent society, other countries, IIHL, or other similar organizations. Before embarking on a law of war training program, military and civilian leaders need to determine which materials will be best suited to their specific training system, and develop or translate those materials as appropriate.

• **Consultations and Contacts:** Discussions with military liaisons, ICRC representatives, and other law of war training experts will be essential for anyone responsible for developing a law of war training program, whether internal or external in nature. Such individuals routinely provide valuable advice and assistance in the development of training programs. The following directory provides points of contact for a number of countries and organizations that may be useful to officers or other personnel tasked with designing a training program. These contacts can help identify available resources, materials, and external programs and instructors, all of which are key to the implementation of a successful and efficient law of war training program.
Directory of Law of War Training Programs

National Training Programs

**Afghanistan**


Primary Training Unit: Shared responsibility between MoD Training Divisions, Army General Staff HQ, Army Training Command and Army Operations

Training Materials: ICRC publications and teaching files

Description of Training: A full integration program is in effect to introduce LOAC in all training and education institutions and also into operational units. Training programs are presented to meet three categories of competence: 1) initial basic training to meet minimum level of understanding of LOAC principles; 2) training personnel from operational units who have direct contact with the enemy, could be involved in civil-affairs duties and those who could become Prisoners of War or become involved in handling prisoners or detainees; 3) training for personnel involved in planning and directing combat operations and postcombat administration at HQ/Command levels.

Recipients of Training: Ranges from basic recruits to senior NCOs to senior commanders; includes some police officers potentially involved in war fighting

Training Required for Promotion: No

Frequency of Training: Depends on the type of course, ranges from 3–25 hours

Components of Training: Classroom setting, training manuals, war gaming

Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: No

Point of Contact: N/A

**Albania**

Domestic Law Requiring Training: No

Primary Training Unit: Ministry of Defense; ICRC

Training Materials: ICRC publications; OSCE Code of Conduct

Description of Training: IHL activities have gained considerable momentum in the Albanian Armed Forces, which aims to achieve program autonomy in the future.

Recipients of Training: Officers and trainers

Training Required for Promotion: No

Frequency of Training: Once per year; 21+ hours per year
Components of Training: Classroom setting, training manuals
Recent Developments: IHL seminar for Army brigade-level operational planners; IHL instructor course; IHL specialty course for Albanian Navy; Albanian military legal adviser seminar; establishment of an IHL library at the Armed Forces HQ, Defense Staff College, and Military Academy
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Partnership for Peace operations
Point of Contact: General Staff
Tirana, Albania

Australia
Domestic Law Requiring Training: DI(G) OPS 33-1 Australian Defence Force Law of Armed Conflict Training (Military Order)
Primary Training Unit: No
Training Materials: Self-generated; primary international law materials and internally developed doctrine, presentation and manuals
Description of Training: Training is conducted in many ways depending on the rank, role, and position of members. It includes training at initial training schools, the Military Law Centre (for Legal Advisers), awareness presentations, and predeployment training. In addition, LOAC is incorporated into all training conducted by units; for example, if there is an exercise or scenario workshop, LOAC is an element in that training.
Recipients of Training: All members
Training Required for Promotion: Yes
Frequency of Training: The amount of training varies and depends on role, rank, posting, and function.
Components of Training: Classroom setting, training materials, distance learning, war gaming; with particular preference for scenarios/practical training.
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes, training in specific rules applicable to these kinds of operations is included in predeployment briefings and the conduct of predeployment training scenarios.
Point of Contact: Director General
Australian Defence Force Legal Service

Barbados
Domestic Law Requiring Training: No
Primary Training Unit: Barbados Defence Force Legal Officer
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<td>Point of Contact:</td>
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<td>Tel: (246) 429-6656</td>
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<td>Email: <a href="mailto:darlington.a@bdf.gov.bb">darlington.a@bdf.gov.bb</a></td>
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**Belgium**

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<td>Self-generated materials; Operational Law Manual (in development), national manuals according to rank and responsibilities</td>
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<td>All military personnel are trained in the law of armed conflict (LOAC) during basic training. Further, LOAC training is part of all continued training courses and all field exercises. Training in LOAC is therefore part of the staff officer’s course, the course for higher officers, the higher staff course, and the course for senior NCOs. Before militaries or units participate in an operation, they have LOAC refresher training, focusing on specific aspects of LOAC and rules of engagement and their practical application during terrain exercises.</td>
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<td>Basic training for officers and noncommissioned officers.</td>
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| Point of Contact:         | LtC Anesa Rezakovic  
                            LEGAD Operational Command AFB&H  
                            Camp Butmir  
                            Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina  
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**Brazil**

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<td>Description of Training:</td>
<td>Basic and advanced training for military units, training for operational staff maintenance, and annual military training.</td>
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**Canada**

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<td>Primary Training Unit:</td>
<td>Judge Advocate General, Canadian Forces Military Law Centre</td>
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<td>Description of Training:</td>
<td>LOAC training is integrated in all levels of career training throughout the Canadian Forces at different times throughout the service. Introductory training is provided at recruit schools and basic</td>
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officer training, as well as at the Royal Military College for officer cadets. Intermediate level LOAC is provided during a one-week course for select members of the forces. In addition, all troops undergoing predeployment training are given a LOAC refresher before embarking for missions.

Recipients of Training:
All ranks of the Canadian Forces, and all Public Service civilians accompanying the Canadian Forces on operational missions

Training Required for Promotion:
Yes

Frequency of Training:
At least 21 hours per year, on an as-required basis

Components of Training:
Classroom setting, war gaming, training manuals, distance learning

Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units:
Yes; a LOAC refresher just before deployment, consisting of briefings and confirmatory exercises

Point of Contact:
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Canadian Defence Academy
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Kingston ON K7K 7B4
CANADA
Website: http://www.cda-acd.forces.gc.ca/cfmlc-cdmfc/index-eng.asp
Tel: (613) 541-5010
Fax: (613) 540-8076

Colombia

Domestic Law Requiring Training:
Colombian Constitution, government directives, and military law

Primary Training Unit:
Each brigade (in the case of the Army) has a Center where soldiers, NCOs, and officers receive training on the law of armed conflict and human rights

Training Materials:
Self-generated; Operational Law Manual; Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law Policy

Description of Training:
Training has different levels and modalities. For soldiers, it is an obstacle course with a workshop. For high-ranking officers, it includes other types of exercises.

Recipients of Training:
All military personnel, prosecutors, judges, and lawyers

Training Required for Promotion:
Yes

Frequency of Training:
11–15 hours, twice a year

Components of Training:
Classroom setting, training manuals, war gaming, distance learning, and role-playing/switching of roles
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### Denmark

**Domestic Law Requiring Training:**


**Primary Training Unit:**

- No

**Training Materials:**

- Self-generated materials

**Description of Training:**

Most law of war training is integrated within other military training. The rationale for this approach is that such training is more easily accepted and understood by soldiers and not experienced as “alien” to the military trade. Apart from the regular training provided to the rank and file, special law of war training courses are also offered to specialists, such as legal officers and officers who teach law of war to their own units.

**Recipients of Training:**

- All military personnel and some civilians

**Training Required for Promotion:**

- Yes

**Frequency of Training:**

- Integrated into all training

**Components of Training:**

- Classroom setting, distance learning, war gaming, training manuals, integration of law of war vignettes into all exercise scenarios

**Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units:**

- Yes, extra refresher training or briefings prior to deployment

**Point of Contact:**

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### Dominican Republic

**Domestic Law Requiring Training:**

- Ley Organica De Las Fuerzas Armadas

**Primary Training Unit:**

- La Escuela de Graduados en Derechos Humanos y Derecho Internacional Humanitario

**Training Materials:**

- Manuals developed with assistance from the United States

**Description of Training:**

LOAC training occurs in different levels of military schools, with each section corresponding to the level of the course.

**Recipients of Training:**

- All military personnel and all levels of command
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<td>Ecuador</td>
<td>Military directives</td>
<td>Joint Command of the Armed Forces of Ecuador</td>
<td>Self-generated materials</td>
<td>The training is determined by the specific mission to fulfill, whether it be land, sea, or air, as well as by the opposing force (other armies, terrorist groups, etc.). All the training is done with respect to international humanitarian law, human rights, and other international conventions.</td>
<td>All military personnel and some civilians</td>
<td>For some ranks</td>
<td>6–10 hours, once a year</td>
<td>Classroom setting, training manuals</td>
<td>Yes, peacekeeping missions have a special school, which soldiers attend for four to seven months. The Ecuadorian military carries itself by the notion that “a soldier who does not know how to manage peace would not know how to manage war.”</td>
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<td>Training department at general headquarters and the military schools</td>
<td>ICRC materials</td>
<td>All training takes place at the military schools</td>
<td>Commanders and officers</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>6–10 hours, once a year</td>
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Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes, special course in addition to one day training course by the ICRC

Point of Contact: N/A

**El Salvador**

Domestic Law Requiring Training: Geneva Conventions as part of national law
Primary Training Unit: No
Training Materials: ICRC and IIHL materials
Description of Training: The goal is to provide basic knowledge, principles, rules of engagement, and rules of conduct; and for commanders to focus on decision-making, planning, and operations execution.

Recipients of Training: Private through lieutenant colonel
Training Required for Promotion: Yes
Frequency of Training: 6–10 hours; in promotions course for different ranks
Components of Training: Classroom setting, war gaming
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes, on rules of engagement, rules of conduct, and legal bases of peacekeeping missions
Point of Contact: N/A

**Estonia**

Domestic Law Requiring Training: Military orders and training directives
Primary Training Unit: No
Training Materials: ICRC Publications
Description of Training: Conscripts receive short introduction to the subject and military students (cadets) receive a wider training while in the military academy. Persons selected to be sent to foreign missions receive lectures on LOAC. The Baltic Defence College (a multinational Joint Level educational establishment) provides further lectures and seminars for staff officers and commanding officers.

Recipients of Training: All military personnel
Training Required for Promotion: No
Frequency of Training: 1–5 hours per year, once a year
Components of Training: Classroom setting
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes, ROE training
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HQ Estonian Defence Forces
leenu.org@mil.ee
Tel: +372 717 1322
Finland
Domestic Law Requiring Training: No
Primary Training Unit: Training Division of Defence Staff; Finnish Red Cross
Training Materials: Self-generated materials
Recipients of Training: All military personnel, some civilian employees of Finnish Defence Forces
Training Required for Promotion: No
Frequency of Training: 1–12 hours per year
Components of Training: Classroom setting, distance learning, war gaming
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes
Point of Contact: Legal Adviser
Defence Staff
Finnish Defence Forces
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00131 Helsinki
Finland
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France
Domestic Law Requiring Training: Military directives
Primary Training Unit: No
Training Materials: Self-generated
Description of Training: French military personnel are trained either during their general military training program or, if appointed as a LEGAD, before being sent in operation.
Recipients of Training: All military personnel, with a focus on officers and LEGADs-to-be
Training Required for Promotion: No
Frequency of Training: 21+ hours, once a year
Components of Training: Classroom setting, training manuals, war gaming
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: No
Point of Contact: N/A

The Gambia
Primary Training Unit: The Legal Department is the designated Law of War Unit

Training Materials: Some self-generated materials, ICRC publications

Description of Training: Law of war training is conducted in the GAF during recruit training and the ICRC conducts one basic course for fifteen to twenty trainers at venues provided for by the GAF. They also sponsor GAF officers’ attendance at international humanitarian law courses at the San Remo Institute and assist the GAF legal department with including humanitarian law in the teaching curricula for training of soldiers, senior noncommissioned officers and officers.

Recipients of Training: Commanders (officers) and troops

Training Required for Promotion: No

Frequency of Training: 6–10; at least once a year

Components of Training: Classroom setting, distance learning, and training manuals

Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes, more hours for predeployment training

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Fax: +220 4223 574
E-mail: bmjkaabba@hotmail.com

Germany

Domestic Law Requiring Training: Geneva Conventions and Additional Protocols are binding law; Section 33 of German Soldiers Act (Soldatengesetz)

Primary Training Unit: Military commanders assisted by military legal advisers for basic training in LOAC. Various military schools (branch, Officer and NCO) and “Zentrale Ausbildungseinrichtung fur die Rechtspflege der Bundeswehr” (Central Training Institute for the German Armed Forces Legal Service) at the “Zentrum Innere Fuhrung” (Leadership Development and Civic Education Centre) for advanced and specialized IHL training.

Training Materials: Self-generated materials; Field manuals: ZDv 15/1 Humanitarian Law in Armed Conflicts—Principles (June 1996); ZDv 15/2 Humanitarian Law in Armed Conflicts—Handbook (August 1992); ZDv 15/3 Humanitarian Law in Armed Conflicts—Documents (August 1991); ICRC, UN, and other publications
Description of Training: All soldiers receive basic training in LOAC during basic military training. NCOs, officers, staff officers and general staff officers receive advanced LOAC training as an integral part of their curriculum. Specialized courses for officers and military lawyers on various aspects of LOAC are available.

Recipients of Training: All military personnel
Training Required for Promotion: Yes
Frequency of Training: Depends on individual level of responsibility
Components of Training: Classroom setting, distance learning, training manuals, military exercises, political education
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes, special preparatory courses and on-post training
Point of Contact: Zentrum Innere Fuhrung
Zentrale Ausbildungseinrichtung fur die Rechtspflege der Bundeswehr
Von-Witzleben-Strasse 17
56076 Koblenz/Germany
ZInFueZAREingang@Bundeswehr.org

_Ghana_
Domestic Law Requiring Training: Ghana Armed Forces Training Directive, issued by the Chief of Defence Staff of the Ghana Armed Forces
Primary Training Unit: General Headquarters (Training) and Director of Legal Services
Training Materials: International Red Cross training manual on the law of armed conflict
Description of Training: The training is conducted through lectures, seminars, classroom setting, and practical exercises.
Recipients of Training: Commanders, officers, and troops
Training Required for Promotion: No
Frequency of Training: 16–20 hours per year, twice a year
Components of Training: Classroom setting, training manuals, seminars and lectures
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes, training on sexual exploitation and abuse, gender issues, human rights issues, international humanitarian law, and special rights of children and women in conflict areas
Point of Contact: N/A

_Honduras_
Domestic Law Requiring Training: Constitution (Article 288); La Ley Constitutiva de las Fuerzas Armadas; Guia de Adiestramiento de las Fuerzas Armadas
Primary Training Unit: El Commando de Doctrina Conjunta y Educacion Militar (CODOCEM)
Training Materials: Manuals on Human Rights and the Law of Armed Conflict and other Law of Armed Conflict publications, based on materials from IIHL, the Swiss Agency for International Cooperation and Development, the United States and the United Nations

Description of Training: Officers and NCOs receive formal training in LOAC in their military training centers and at each rank, including the basic course and the advanced course. Informal training is directed by commanders to their troops through inspection visits, command visits, discussions, and seminars.

Recipients of Training: All military personnel

Training Required for Promotion: Yes

Frequency of Training: 21+ hours per year; twice a year; also during courses and programs of specialized training

Components of Training: Classroom setting, training manuals, exercises and war gaming

Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes; training at the Regional Peacekeeping Training Center in Guatemala, twice per year and before peacekeeping missions.

Point of Contact:

Hungary

Domestic Law Requiring Training: Act of National Defense

Primary Training Unit: Ministry of Defense, Department of Law at Zrínyi Miklós, University of National Defense

Training Materials: University-generated materials, ICRC materials

Description of Training: Standard troops get law of war training as part of ordinary training. They understand the law of war—as derived from international sources—to be as legally binding as domestic law. The goal of the training is to ensure the troops will obey and apply these rules during combat. Higher-ranking officers, commanders, and civilian students at military institutions are also familiarized with international public law so that they gain deeper insight into the roots of the international law of war and international relations.

Recipients of Training: Commanders and officers, troops, civilians

Training Required for Promotion: Yes

Frequency of Training: Once per year, 21+ hours per year

Components of Training: Classroom setting, distance learning, training manuals

Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes, more practical and less theoretical
### India

**Domestic Law Requiring Training:** Adoption of Geneva Conventions into municipal law

**Primary Training Unit:** No

**Training Materials:** Based on code of conduct, directives, and policies issued from army headquarters; ICRC materials

**Description of Training:** Law of war training is included in the syllabus of all the training programs held as part of instructor courses, promotion examinations, and trainings organized at unit and formation level.

**Recipients of Training:** Officers, JCOs

**Training Required for Promotion:** Yes

**Frequency of Training:** 21+ hours per year

**Components of Training:** Classroom setting, war gaming, training manuals, audio-visual aids

**Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units:** Yes, more exposure to law of war training

**Point of Contact:** Director General of Military Training

### Indonesia

**Domestic Law Requiring Training:** Laws of the Indonesian National Army

**Primary Training Unit:** Education and Training Command, teams of legal officers throughout military

**Training Materials:** Self-generated materials

**Description of Training:** The curriculum covers the theory and application of the law of war in every type of education and training within the Indonesian Army, including initial, formational, vocational, and developmental education.

**Recipients of Training:** All military personnel

**Training Required for Promotion:** No

**Frequency of Training:** At least once a year, 16–20 hours per year

**Components of Training:** Classroom setting, war gaming

**Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units:** Yes, extra material regarding treatment of prisoners, refugees, clandestines, and others

**Point of Contact:** Staff Operation

Indonesian Armed Forces Headquarters
Ireland
Primary Training Unit: Legal Officer, Defence Forces Training Centre
Training Materials: ICRC and other publications
Description of Training: Predominately lecture format, using PowerPoint, case study, scenario based training, and open source media clips. At the senior level, discussion groups. Some senior command and staff students (Major to Lt Col) are encouraged to complete theses on a range of IHL topics.

Recipients of Training: All ranks above private
Training Required for Promotion: No
Frequency of Training: Monthly, 21+ hours per year
Components of Training: Classroom setting, training manuals, scenarios, discussion groups, case studies
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes; Use of Force, ROE, Applicability of LOAC/ IHL and Human Rights Law
Point of Contact:
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Legal Officer, HQ Defence Forces Training Centre
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Israel
Domestic Law Requiring Training: IDF GHQ Reg. 33.0133; IDF Standing Order for the Training of Officers; Specific IDF orders obliging LOAC training for certain purposes and units
Primary Training Unit: International and Civil Law Section of the IDF School of Military Law, International Law Department, Legal Advisers of the relevant Regional Commands
Description of Training: The training of LOAC in the IDF is conducted by teaching and exercising in various courses for commanders of all ranks, and by providing units with publications and source materials. LOAC training is also integrated within periodical military drills.

Recipients of Training: All military personnel
Training Required for Promotion: Yes
Frequency of Training: Part of regular instruction
Components of Training: Classroom setting, war gaming, distance learning, training manuals
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: No, not involved in peacekeeping operations at present
Point of Contact: IDF School of Military Law

**Jamaica**

Domestic Law Requiring Training: Training required by order of the Chief of Defence Staff
Primary Training Unit: No
Description of Training: Training includes lectures and presentations, panel discussions, and practical exercises.
Recipients of Training: All ranks with an emphasis on infanteers
Training Required for Promotion: No
Frequency of Training: At least once a year; 1–5 hours per year
Components of Training: Classroom setting, training manuals, panel discussions with human rights action groups
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes, in-depth detail on “behavior in action”, Third Geneva Convention, Occupation, and Hague Law
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Up Park Camp
Kingston 5
Jamaica
Tel: 926-8121 Ext 2004
Fax: 926-8243
soot@cw.jamaica.com

**Jordan**

Domestic Law Requiring Training: Geneva Conventions Act, sections 47, 48, 127, and 147
Primary Training Unit: Peace Operation Training Center, Directorate of Doctrine & Joint Training
Training Materials: Self-generated and ICRC publications
Description of Training: LOAC training is integrated within the Jordan Armed Forces training courses at a number of times and levels. LOAC is provided in basic and advanced military training courses for officers and NCOs. It is also offered at the staff officer and higher staff officer courses for senior officers. Additional training for LOAC is given to all military personnel participating in peacekeeping and overseas missions.
Recipients of Training: All military personnel
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<td>ICRC publications, Army manuals for law of war training</td>
<td>Military Training Centers; Military Academy; operational units, declared units, and personnel for PSO</td>
<td>All military personnel</td>
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<td>Directorate of International Affairs (DIA) Jordan Armed Forces GHQ (JAF) Tel: 00962 6 566 53 26 Fax: 00962 6 506 36 84 Email: <a href="mailto:arms.cont1@jaf.mil.jo">arms.cont1@jaf.mil.jo</a></td>
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<td>Chapter 12:03 of the Laws of Malawi implement-</td>
<td>Deputy director of legal services, in conjunction with the director of training and the commandant of the Malawi Armed Forces College</td>
<td>Self-generated materials (Fight it Right, The Art of Combat, Know Your Law), as well as ICRC publications</td>
<td>Lectures and presentations, publication of monographs and booklets, exercises, and IHL is part of promotional exams.</td>
<td>Every member of the Malawi Defence Forces</td>
<td>Yes, required for all officers</td>
<td>16–20 hours per year, as needed in each and every course</td>
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Components of Training: Classroom setting, training manuals, war gaming
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes, on IHL and human rights, international criminal law, ROE and mandates, code of conduct, sexual exploitation and abuse
Point of Contact: Malawi Armed Forces College

Moldova
Domestic Law Requiring Training: Order Nr.275 regarding the Regulation on Implementation of LOAC norms in the National Army of the Republic of Moldova
Primary Training Unit: Peace Support Operation Training Centre of the National Army, Military Institute of the Armed Forces, Faculty of Law of civilian educational institutions, Military faculty of civil institutions of higher education
Training Materials: ICRC materials
Description of Training: IHL is part of the study programmes organized by the Moldovan Armed Forces and Police, and studied in the Military Institute of the Armed Forces, Police Academy, and Faculty of Law of civilian educational institutions. Every member of the Armed Forces acquires a basic knowledge in LOAC during regular training activities for conscripts, noncommissioned officers, officers, and participants in international activities.
Recipients of Training: All military personnel and civilian students of military facilities
Training Required for Promotion: No
Frequency of Training: Twice a year, 16–20 hours per year
Components of Training: Classroom setting, war gaming, training materials
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes, including LOAC refresher training, focusing on specific aspects of LOAC and rules of engagement and their practical application during terrain exercises, case studies, and examples
Point of Contact: Defense Policy and Planning Directorate
Ministry of Defense
84, Hynchcshti Highway
MD-2021, Chisinau
Republic of Moldova
Tel: 252 083
Fax: 234 535

Mongolia
Domestic Law Requiring Training: Order of the Chief and General Staff of the Mongolian Armed Forces
Primary Training Unit: No designated unit; Colonel Myagmarsuren of the General Staff of the Armed Forces manages and conducts the training.

Training Materials: Self-generated materials, training brochure on the law of war

Recipients of Training: All military personnel

Training Required for Promotion: Yes

Frequency of Training: 16–20 hours per year

Components of Training: Classroom setting, war gaming

Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes, peacekeeping tactical exercises

Point of Contact: Director of Humanitarian Law Training
General Staff of the Armed Forces
Ulaanbaatar
Mongolia

**Namibia**

Domestic Law Requiring Training: N/A

Primary Training Unit: No designated unit; the officer in charge of military law training and the training wing commander for Junior Staff Courses design the courses

Training Materials: Geneva Conventions and Additional Protocols

Recipients of Training: Junior officers, senior noncommissioned officers and all legal officers

Training Required for Promotion: Yes, for the Junior Staff Course

Frequency of Training: Military Law Courses approximately 14 hours, three times per year; Junior Staff Courses approximately 24 hours, once per year

Components of Training: Classroom setting

Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes

Point of Contact: Colonel T J Lambert
Senior Staff Officer—Legal
tjl@iway.na

**Nepal**

Domestic Law Requiring Training: Nepal Interim Constitution Article 144(4); IHL & IHRL Integration Order for the Nepal Army, Feb 22, 2008

Primary Training Unit: Human Rights Directorate of the Nepal Army

Training Materials: ICRC LOAC Teaching File

Description of Training: Primarily lecture-based teaching in short courses of up to five days duration.

Recipients of Training: All officers and NCO

Training Required for Promotion: Yes
Frequency of Training: Ad hoc; plus career courses
Components of Training: Classroom setting
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes
Point of Contact: N/A

**Netherlands**

Domestic Law Requiring Training: N/A
Primary Training Unit: No designated unit; respective arms of the Armed Forces responsible for training own personnel
Training Materials: Geneva Conventions and Additional Protocols, Hague Conventions, other relevant treaties and conventions, International Humanitarian Law manual
Description of Training: LOAC training is part of the regular instruction of personnel at all levels. Topics addressed are LOAC and topics directly related to LOAC, including ROE, ethics, and legal aspects of operations outside the Netherlands.
Recipients of Training: All military personnel
Training Required for Promotion: N/A
Frequency of Training: Part of regular instruction, more detailed at higher echelons
Components of Training: Classroom setting, function-specific instruction
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Mission-specific instruction conducted at School Voor Vredesmissies (School for Peace Operations)
Point of Contact: Directorate of Legal Affairs
Head Armed Forces Legal Service
Netherlands Ministry of Defense
P.O. Box 20701
2500 ES The Hague
Tel: +31 (0)70 3186506
Fax: +31 (0)70 3185575

**New Zealand**

Primary Training Unit: Director of Legal Training, New Zealand Defence College, under supervision of Deputy Director of Legal Services (Operations Law), HQ NZDF
Description of Training: Level 1: three hours of lectures followed by a test
Level 2: a half to full day command training and computer-based distance learning
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Level 3: three to four days intensive training for commanders and staff planners
Level 4: professional development for all legal officers

Recipients of Training: All military personnel
Training Required for Promotion: No, but required before deployment on all operations
Frequency of Training: Level 1 training on enlistment; level 2 training ongoing; tailored level 2 predeployment training before all operations

Components of Training: Classroom setting, distance learning, training manuals, practical scenarios, predeployment, mission-specific training

Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes, predeployment and command training
Point of Contact: Deputy Director of Legal Services (Operations Law)
HQ New Zealand Defence Force
Private Bag
Wellington, New Zealand

Nigeria
Domestic Law Requiring Training: N/A
Primary Training Unit: Red Cross/Red Crescent
Training Materials: Red Cross/Red Crescent
Description of Training: One or two weeks usually set aside for training in IHL/Law of Armed Conflict in major military institutions

Recipients of Training: Mostly commissioned officers
Training Required for Promotion: No
Frequency of Training: N/A
Components of Training: Classroom setting
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes, additional lectures
Point of Contact
Director, Joint Services Division
Armed Forces Command and Staff College
Jaji-KADUNA
Nigeria

Norway
Domestic Law Requiring Training: N/A
Primary Training Unit: Overall responsibility for basic training lies with the chief of Navy/Army/Air Force/Home Guard; additional training provided by Norwegian Defence University College
Training Materials: Yes; interactive electronic training program, textbook on law and the use of force, handbook on military law
Description of Training: LOAC is included in the curriculum at all levels of military education. LOAC is also integrated in exercises. An interactive DVD program with a compulsory test is provided for each individual of the armed forces, irrespective of rank and status.

Recipients of Training: Commanders, officers, soldiers, and others

Training Required for Promotion: No

Frequency of Training: 1–5 hours, whenever needed, especially before deploying to international operations

Components of Training: Classroom setting, training manuals, distance learning, war gaming, exercises

Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes, training in the applicable ROEs and in LOAC and other relevant law

Point of Contact: Cdr Jacob Thomas Staib  
Norwegian Defence University College  
Military Law  
Oslo Mil/Akershus  
N-0015 Oslo, Norway

Pakistan

Domestic Law Requiring Training:  
N/A

Primary Training Unit:  
N/A

Training Materials: ICRC publications

Description of Training: The military conducts discussion exercises at the training of mid-level officers. The ICRC delegation conducts training at key training institutions with the support of retired senior military officers. In addition, the ICRC conducts Train-the-Trainer courses at various military training institutions to build national capacity.

Recipients of Training: Most commanders, officers, noncommissioned officers, and enlisted

Training Required for Promotion: No

Frequency of Training: Once a year, approximately 10–15 hours

Components of Training: Classroom setting, training manuals, ICRC dissemination seminars

Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes

Point of Contact: N/A

Portugal

Domestic Law Requiring Training: Legal Decree (Dec Lei) 42 991, 26 May 1960—Geneva Convention IV; Presidential Decree (Decreto do Presidente da República n. 10/92, de 1 de Abril); Portuguese Army Directives; NATO STANAG 2449
Primary Training Unit: Army training and doctrine command
Training Materials: ICRC and self-generated materials
Description of Training: LOAC training is conducted by small teams that deliver lectures and situational cases for trainees’ participation. During the Military Academy and also during the promotion courses, all officers and NCOs attend theoretical lectures. Before a specific mission, each unit attends a specific LOAC training.

Recipients of Training: All military personnel
Training Required for Promotion: Yes
Frequency of Training: At least once a year, 6–10 hours per year
Components of Training: Classroom setting, war gaming
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes
Point of Contact: Army Training and Doctrine Command

**Republic of Congo**

Domestic Law Requiring Training: Annual directive issued by the Minister of Defense
Primary Training Unit: IHL and IHRL Dissemination Standing Committee that reports to the Minister of Defense
Training Materials: ICRC materials
Description of Training: In all branches of the military, most directors of instruction have attended the course of Director of Programs (now renamed Director of Course and Trainers) at the International Institute of Humanitarian Law, San Remo, Italy. Others have been trained locally or abroad as legal advisers. All of them play a key role for the conduct of Law of War Training. Within military academies, each course has a designated instructor who performs under the supervision of the dean of academics. Cadets at the main military academy will be trained as trainers, so that they’ll be able to teach within their units. Within each branch of the military, there is a legal adviser who sets a program to teach during the instruction period (from February to September). In the barracks, troops receive dissemination sessions. In other services, the plan is to train officers who will serve as legal advisers. Currently trainers are trained in all “Military Zones of Defense.”

Recipients of Training: Commanders during special sessions requested by the ICRC or the Chief of Staff; Officers, during military courses or in their offices; Troops mainly those billeted for specific events; and other selected personnel who will serve in peacekeeping operations.
Training Required for Promotion: No
Frequency of Training: 11–15 hours for privates; 16–20 hours for NCOs and officers, provided in the course of regular training courses
Components of Training: Classroom setting, training manuals, dissemination sessions in military units, conferences, workshops and seminars
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: Yes
Point of Contact: Major Victor Kissambou-Makanga
Permanent Secretary
IHL/IHRL Dissemination Standing Committee
Ministry of Defense
E-mail: vikissambou@gmail.com

**Russian Federation**

**Domestic Law Requiring Training:**

**Primary Training Unit:** Main Directorate of Combat Training and Services of Troops of the Armed Forces of the Russian Federation

**Training Materials:** Self-generated materials

**Description of Training:** Lectures, practical exercises, seminars, and instruction

**Recipients of Training:** All military personnel

**Training Required for Promotion:** Yes

**Frequency of Training:** Twice a year, 6–10 hours per year

**Components of Training:** Theoretical lessons, independent training, practical training, exercises

**Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units:** No

**Point of Contact:** Main Directorate for International Military Cooperation
**Slovak Republic**

**Domestic Law Requiring Training:** Code of Conduct on politico-military aspects of security

**Primary Training Unit:** No designated unit; training conducted by unit commander with coordinators in the field working to ensure cooperation among departments, ministries, the ICRC, and other countries

**Training Materials:** ICRC materials, materials from Slovak CRC, Geneva Conventions, Hague Conventions

**Description of Training:** Every soldier has to undergo initial law of war education. Special courses are organized for commanders and specialists at which time law of war scenarios are part of the training during staff and field exercises.

**Recipients of Training:** All military personnel get initial law of war training; special courses designed for special assignments

**Training Required for Promotion:** No

**Frequency of Training:** Once per year, for every term of national service; 6–10 per year

**Components of Training:** Classroom setting, war gaming, training manuals

**Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units:** Yes

**Point of Contact:** Specialist for Education  
General Staff of the Slovak Armed Forces  
Personal Management Staff MOD SR  
Kutuzovova 8  
Bratislava  
Slovak Republic  
Tel: +421 960 313276  
Fax: +421 960 313764

**South Africa**

**Domestic Law Requiring Training:** Constitution

**Primary Training Unit:** Chiefs of the services; overseen by Education, Training and Development Directorates

**Training Materials:** Self-generated materials, Geneva Conventions and Additional Protocols, Hague Conventions, De Mulinen Handbook

**Description of Training:** Law of war training is an integral part of basic training and formative, command, and staff courses at the various staff colleges. Additionally, the various services conduct specialist in-house law of war training to meet specific requirements. Formal training is also presented before any service member partakes in joint military exercises or
peace operations. In this way, throughout their military careers, members are provided with law of war training applicable to their specific needs and levels. Training includes theoretical lectures and exercises during which the application of theory is tested.

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| Point of Contact: | Senior Staff Officer Training  
Military Legal Service  
South African National Defence Force  
Private Bag X159  
Pretoria 0001  
South Africa  
Tel: +27 12 355 5370  
Fax: +27 12 355 5372  
E-mail: mls@mil.za |

**Spain**

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**Sri Lanka**

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Recipients of Training: All military personnel
Training Required for Promotion: Lieutenant to captain and captain to major
Frequency of Training: Two hours of IHL and two hours of human rights each month
Components of Training: Lectures
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: N/A
Point of Contact: N/A

Sudan
Domestic Law Requiring Training: Military order issued by army chief of staff
Primary Training Unit: No designated unit; deputy chief of staff for training has overall responsibility; staff officers in the training section handle all law of war training
Training Materials: Self-generated materials, Sudanese military manuals on LOAC, ICRC materials also used as needed
Description of Training: Military instructors trained by experts from ICRC are usually responsible for conducting the training programs. In addition, the ICRC experts continue to organize training programs for the Sudanese Armed Forces to qualify instructors in LOAC.

Recipients of Training: Mostly junior officers and NCOs
Training Required for Promotion: Yes
Frequency of Training: Integrated within military training programs, so part of each training cycle; 21+ hours per year
Components of Training: Classroom setting, training manuals, stand models, map exercises, blackboard exercises, practical exercises
Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: N/A
Point of Contact: International Committee of the Red Cross–Sudan P.O. Box 1831 Khartoum, Sudan Tel: +249 11 476468 or 467680 Fax: +249 11 467709

Sweden
Primary Training Unit: At each military unit, one officer is appointed as an LOAC training officer, tasked to support and execute LOAC training for military and civilian personnel. The network of LOAC officers is coordinated by one specific position, currently planned to be attached to the Swedish Land Warfare Center.
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<td>Description of Training:</td>
<td>LOAC training includes international humanitarian law during armed conflicts, neutrality law, and occupation law. The training includes both theoretical teaching and practical exercises. It is integrated into other training and training activities, mainly education and training in combat, tactics, medical services and prisoner of war services, and applied during live exercises. At present, the Swedish Armed Forces system for LOAC training is undergoing changes in terms of organization, training material, and reporting.</td>
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<td>Frequency of Training:</td>
<td>Once per year; 6–18 hours of theoretical training depending on position and rank; hours of practical training on exercises is not regulated</td>
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<td>Classroom setting, training manuals, war gaming, training and field exercises</td>
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<td>Point of Contact:</td>
<td>Legal Staff (Operations) Swedish Armed Forces HQ Email: <a href="mailto:exp-hkv@mil.se">exp-hkv@mil.se</a></td>
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**Switzerland**

| Domestic Law Requiring Training: | Yes |
| Primary Training Unit: | Law of Armed Conflict Section (International Relations Defence) |
| Training Materials: | Self-generated materials |
| Recipients of Training: | All military personnel |
| Training Required for Promotion: | Yes |
| Frequency of Training: | During all promotion courses and annual repetition courses |
| Components of Training: | Classroom setting, distance learning, training manuals, war gaming, CD-Rom/interactive |
| Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units: | Yes, ROE training and refresher courses on LOAC and human rights |
| Point of Contact: | Staff of the Chief of the Armed Forces International Relations Law of Armed Conflict Section Papiermuhlestrasse 20 CH-3003 Bern |
### Tanzania

- **Domestic Law Requiring Training:** Yes
- **Primary Training Unit:** Training conducted by select instructors
- **Training Materials:** ICRC materials
- **Description of Training:** Commanders and staff officers have to know the basics of the Geneva Conventions and the application of IHL, while the soldiers have to know the rules of conduct in the battlefield.
- **Recipients of Training:** All military personnel
- **Training Required for Promotion:** Yes
- **Frequency of Training:** 21+ hours per year; twice a year
- **Components of Training:** Classroom setting, distance learning, training manuals, annual training exercises
- **Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units:** Yes
- **Point of Contact:** Command and Staff College
  
P.O. Box 7205
  
  Arusha, Tanzania

### Thailand

- **Domestic Law Requiring Training:** Government Directive and Military Order
- **Primary Training Unit:** Royal Thailand Army (RTA) Peacekeeping Mobile Training Team, a sub-unit of the Organic Unit of the RTA and the Directorate of Operations RTA HQ
- **Training Materials:** Handbooks, peacekeeping doctrine, and LOAC teaching files from the U.S. Army, British Army, and ICRC
- **Description of Training:** N/A
- **Recipients of Training:** RTA East Timor peacekeeping force
- **Training Required for Promotion:** No
- **Frequency of Training:** More than twice a year; 21+ hours per year
- **Components of Training:** Classroom setting, war gaming, training manuals, field training
- **Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units:** N/A
- **Point of Contact:**
  
  Chief of Operations Officer
  
  Royal Thai Army Operations Center
  
  Royal Thai Army Headquarters
  
  Rajchadumnern Nok Road
  
  Bangkok 10200, Thailand
  
  Tel: +66 2 2802502
  
  Fax: +66 2 2802500
### Turkey

**Domestic Law Requiring Training:**
Geneva Conventions incorporated into Turkish law

**Primary Training Unit:**
Office of the Legal Adviser, Turkish General Staff

**Training Materials:**
Materials generated by Turkish General Staff, ICRC materials

**Description of Training:**
Basic training (behavior in combat); junior officers (essentials of LOAC); senior officers (operational planning)

**Recipients of Training:**
Commanders and officers, first lieutenant through colonel, troops, specialists, civil servants, and legal advisers

**Training Required for Promotion:**
Yes

**Frequency of Training:**
Twice per year; 21+ hours per year

**Components of Training:**
Classroom setting, war gaming, training manuals, syndicate work, field training

**Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units:**
Yes

**Point of Contact:**
Turkish General Staff
Office of the Legal Adviser

### Uganda

**Domestic Law Requiring Training:**
Geneva Conventions Act

**Primary Training Unit:**
Director of training and director of legal services but no primary training unit

**Training Materials:**
ICRC handbook on law of war, Geneva Conventions and Protocols, ICRC monthly newsletters

**Recipients of Training:**
All military personnel are required to receive training; training focuses on lieutenants, majors, sergeants, and squad leaders.

**Training Required for Promotion:**
Yes

**Frequency of Training:**
11–15 hours per year

**Components of Training:**
Classroom setting, training manuals, workshops and seminars

**Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units:**
Yes

**Point of Contact:**
Director of Training
Uganda Peoples Defence Forces—GHQ
P.O. Box 132
Bombo, Uganda
**United Kingdom**

**Domestic Law Requiring Training:** Defence Policy dated Jan 2010 Law of Armed Conflict Training, Geneva Conventions Act 1957

**Primary Training Unit:** Ultimately, Service Chiefs and the Chief of the General Staff; within the Services, responsibility for setting training policy for LOAC rests with the Development, Concepts and Doctrine Centre. Training responsibility is overseen by the Training Delivery Authorities/Directorates for each Service.

**Training Materials:** Self-generated materials JSP 383 (Joint Service Manual on the Law of Armed Conflict); Mandatory Annual Training Test 7 (a series of video, DVD, and tests to ensure compliance with LOAC throughout the Army)

**Description of Training:** Continuation or entry level basic training for Phase 1 recruits, officer training, and Reserve Officer training. Follow-on training builds upon the basic principles taught during entry-level training. Midlevel and senior-level training takes place at various training courses throughout a career, such as at Staff College. The Operational Training and Advisory Group gives mission specific training specific to any theatre of operation prior to deployment, including a legal brief and “Judgemental trainer” that simulates scenarios in which an individual is tested regarding the use of lethal force.

**Recipients of Training:** All military personnel

**Training Required for Promotion:** Yes

**Frequency of Training:** Minimum is 1½ hours for nondeploying troops or a full day (3½ hours) prior to deployment. Most personnel receive significantly more than this through other courses, predeployment training or exercise evaluation

**Components of Training:** Classroom setting, simulation, and war gaming

**Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units:** Yes, predeployment and command training

**Point of Contact:**
Legal (Land)
Joint Doctrine and Concepts Centre
Ministry of Defence
Shrivenham
SWINDON
SN6 8RF
United Kingdom
Tel: +44 1793 787200
Fax: +44 1793 787232
United States of America


Primary Training Unit: There is no single primary unit with this responsibility. The DoD Law of War Program requires that all command levels conduct training for their troops.


Description of Training: Accession or entry level—basic training for enlisted personnel, officer training, and Reserve Officer Training Corps. Follow-on training builds upon the basic principles taught during entry-level training. Mid-level and senior-level training takes place at various schools throughout a career, such as at war colleges and schools involving major command, prospective commanding officers, prospective executive officers, specializations (e.g., aviation, submarine, surface warfare, and amphibious warfare), and department head training. Judge advocates receive appropriate training throughout their careers in order to facilitate law of war training and to fulfill their duties as international law and operational law advisers.

Recipients of Training: All military personnel

Training Required for Promotion: No

Frequency of Training: Required annually as well as before deployment on all operations. The DoD directive requires that
training be completed and reported to the chain of command.

Components of Training:
Classroom setting, distance learning, training manuals, practical scenarios, predeployment, mission-specific training

Additional Training for Peacekeeping Units:
Predeployment and command training

Points of Contact:
The training is done locally at each base and training facility by the judge advocates. However, the main points of contact are the services’ judge advocate training schools:

The Judge Advocate General’s Legal Center and School, U.S. Army
600 Massie Road
Charlottesville, Virginia 22903
United States
website: www.jagcnet.army.mil

Center for Law and Military Operations
600 Massie Road
Charlottesville, Virginia 22903
United States
E-mail: CLAMO@hqda.army.mil

Naval Justice School
360 Elliot Street
Newport, Rhode Island 02841
United States
website: www.jag.navy.mil

The Air Force Judge Advocate General School
CPD/JA, 150 Chennault Circle
Maxwell AFB, Alabama 36112
United States
website: www.maxwell.af.mil/au/cpd/jagschool
Additional Countries Providing Law of War Training

Note: In response to the survey, military establishments in the following countries confirmed that they provide national law of war training to their armed forces and, in some cases, to foreign militaries as well. Although additional information was not provided, subsequent updates to this directory will include such information if available.

**Austria**
Type of Training: National Training
Point of Contact: Legal Adviser for International Law
Ministry of Defence
Legal Affairs Division A
Rossauer Lande 1
1090 Vienna
Austria
rechtw@bmlv.gv.at

**Bangladesh**
Type of Training: National Training
Point of Contact: Director
Training Directorate
 Armed Forces Division
Dhaka Cantonment
Bangladesh
ahqmtdte@accesstel.net

**Belarus**
Type of Training: National Training
Point of Contact: Legal Affairs Directorate
via Ministry of Defence
International Military Cooperation Directorate
milcoop@mod.mil.by

**Bulgaria**
Type of Training: National Training
Point of Contact: Ministry of Defence
Republic of Bulgaria

**Costa Rica**
Type of Training: National Training for the Fuerza Publica (Police Civilian Force)
Point of Contact: Roberto Obando
Commissioner
Director de la Academia Nacional de Policía–Costa Rica
Frente al Centro Comercial del Sur
San Jose
Costa Rica
Tel: (506) 383-4964
Fax: (506) 226-6531
obandocr@msp.go.cr
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|             |                   | Office of the Chief of General Staff of the Croatian Armed Forces  
|             |                   | Ministarstvo obrane RH–GS OS RH  
|             |                   | Kresimirov Trg.  
|             |                   | 10 000 Zagreb  
|             |                   | Croatia        |
| Cyprus      | National Training | Minister’s Military Office  
|             |                   | Ministry of Defence  
|             |                   | Postal Code 1433  
|             |                   | Nicosia, Cyprus  
|             |                   | Tel: 0035722417070  
|             |                   | Fax: 0035722429392 |
| Kazakhstan  | National Training | Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Kazakhstan  
|             |                   | 53 Dzhandosova Street  
|             |                   | Almaty, Kazakhstan  
|             |                   | Tel: 7 3272 280521  
|             |                   | Fax: 7 3272 214936 |
| Mexico      | National Training | US DAO Mexico  
|             |                   | Tel: 011-52-55-5080-2000 Ext. 4572 |
| Nicaragua   | National Training | Public Relations Office  
|             |                   | Nicaraguan Army  
|             |                   | Tel: 505-222-3379/222-3888  
|             |                   | Fax: 505-222-5565  
|             |                   | relacpub@alfanumeric.com.ni |
| Zimbabwe    | National Training | Directorate of Army Training  
|             |                   | ZDF HQ  
|             |                   | P Bag 7713  
|             |                   | Causeway HARARE  
|             |                   | Zimbabwe        |
Selected Countries Receiving External Training

Note: In response to the survey, military establishments in the following countries indicated that they receive training in the law of armed conflict from external sources.

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Countries Providing Bilateral Assistance Training Programs

**Australia**

Foreign Training Unit: N/A
Location of Training: Foreign officers trained in Australia
Training Participants: Potentially all ranks
Duration of Training: Varies depending on level and purpose of training
Courses per Year: N/A
Staff Trainers: N/A
Language: English, potentially others on an as needed basis
Number of Participants: N/A
By Invitation or Application: Bilateral contacts with countries on the staff level
Components of Training: Classroom setting, training manuals, distance learning, war gaming
Programmatic Assistance: Yes
Funding Provided for Course Participants: Possibly in kind funding
Funding Provided to Assist Domestic Training: No
Point of Contact: N/A

**Belgium**

Foreign Training Unit: Royal Defence College, Security and Defence Department
Location of Training: Foreign officers trained in Belgium
Training Participants: Officers, captain through lieutenant colonel; NCOs and troops; civilian lawyers from ministries of defense
Duration of Training: Five weeks
Courses per Year: Maximum of three
Staff Trainers: No permanent instructors
Language: French and Dutch
Number of Participants: 15+ foreign officers attend a course each year
By Invitation or Application: Bilateral contacts with countries on the staff level
Components of Training: Classroom setting (90 percent), training manuals, video
Programmatic Assistance: No
Funding Provided for Course Participants: No, but the course is free
Funding Provided to Assist Domestic Training: No
Point of Contact: Major Gilles du Bois d’Aische
Belgian Ministry of Defense
O&T/C&Pl/Ops Pl/Bur LOAC-ROE
Quartier Reine Elisabeth
### Canada

**Foreign Training Unit:** Military Training Assistance Program (MTAP), Directorate of the National Defence Headquarters  
**Location of Training:** Foreign troops trained in Canada, training provided in foreign countries  
**Training Participants:** Officers, captain/navy lieutenant through lieutenant colonel/navy commander  
**Duration of Training:** One-week LOAC course at Canadian Forces College; one-week law and operations module of command and staff course; three-day LOAC seminar at the Caribbean junior command and staff course  
**Courses per Year:** Training provided at least twice annually  
**Staff Trainers:** Instructors from throughout the JAG office  
**Language:** English and French  
**Number of Participants:** 10–15 foreign officers attend a course each year  
**By Invitation or Application:** Participants determined by MTAP  
**Components of Training:** Classroom setting (100 percent), training manuals  
**Programmatic Assistance:** Yes  
**Funding Provided for Course Participants:** Yes, in accordance with provisions of MTAP  
**Funding Provided to Assist Domestic Training:** No  
**Point of Contact:** Director Military Training Assistance Program  
**Ottawa**

### Denmark

**Foreign Training Unit:** No  
**Location of Training:** Foreign troops trained in Denmark, training provided in foreign countries  
**Training Participants:** All ranks, individuals and units  
**Duration of Training:** N/A, part of all other bilateral training  
**Courses per Year:** Training provided in principle to all units training with Danish units; in practice, provided in connection with training for Baltic units deploying on peace operations with Danish units  
**Staff Trainers:** N/A  
**Language:** English  
**Number of Participants:** N/A
### Germany

**Foreign Training Unit:**
Zentrum Innere Fuhrung (Leadership Development and Civil Education Centre)

**Location of Training:**
Foreign troops trained in Germany

**Training Participants:**
All ranks and civilian employees, individuals and units

**Duration of Training:**
From one day to three weeks

**Courses per Year:**
10

**Staff Trainers:**
130 legal advisers

**Language:**
German; one English course at Führungsakademie

**Number of Participants:**
Limited by language capability

**By Invitation or Application:**
Application

**Components of Training:**
Classroom setting, distance learning, training manuals, war gaming

**Programmatic Assistance:**
Yes

**Funding Provided for Course Participants:**
Yes, as part of bilateral support agreements; apply through own Ministry of Defense

**Funding Provided to Assist Domestic Training:**
No

**Point of Contact:**
Zentrum Innere Führung
Bereich 4
Postfach 7430
D-56065 Koblenz
Fax 0049 261 896 5566

### Netherlands

**Foreign Training Unit:**
Netherlands Defence Academy

**Location of Training:**
Rwanda

**Training Participants:**
LOAC and Ethics Course: Officers from Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Rwanda, and Burundi; Course for RDF Legal Advisers: Officers from Rwanda
### Defence Forces

- **Duration of Training:** Three weeks
- **Courses per Year:** Two
- **Staff Trainers:** Three
- **Language:** English
- **Number of Participants:** 30 officers
- **By Invitation or Application:** Coordinated by Rwanda Defence Forces and Defence Attaché Burundi
- **Components of Training:** Classroom setting, training manuals, video
- **Programmatic Assistance:** Yes
- **Funding Provided for Course Participants:** Partially
- **Funding Provided to Assist Domestic Training:** Partially
- **Point of Contact:**

  Directorate of Legal Affairs  
  Head Armed Forces Legal Service  
  Netherlands Ministry of Defence  
  P.O. Box 20701  
  2500 ES The Hague  
  Tel: +31 (0)70 3186767  
  Fax +31 (0)70 3186575

### New Zealand

- **Foreign Training Unit:** No, training run by Directorate of Legal Services, deputy director of operations and international law, and the LOAC project officer
- **Location of Training:** Foreign troops trained in New Zealand
- **Training Participants:** Formal courses for captains and majors as part of New Zealand Defence Force courses; predeployment training for all ranks; LOAC continuation training run overseas during peace operations for foreign contingents attached to New Zealand contingents
- **Duration of Training:** Five-day courses; offered on an ad hoc basis
- **Courses per Year:** Not an ongoing program; have trained personnel from Papua New Guinea, Fiji, Vanuatu, Singapore, and Nepal
- **Staff Trainers:** All legal advisers required to give this training
- **Language:** English
- **Number of Participants:** 5–10
- **By Invitation or Application:** Mutual assistance programmes, countries with which New Zealand operates overseas
- **Components of Training:** Classroom setting (80 percent/60 percent for upper-level training), scenario-based (20 percent/40 percent for upper-level training)
Programmatic Assistance: Yes
Funding Provided for Course Participants:
Yes; apply through New Zealand Military Attaches and own country’s embassy in New Zealand; funding provided through Mutual Assistance Programmes
Funding Provided to Assist Domestic Training: No
Point of Contact: Directorate of Legal Services NZDF

Norway
Foreign Training Unit: Forsvarets kompetansesenter for internasjonal virksomhet (FOKIV)
Location of Training: Foreign troops trained in Norway; training provided in foreign country
Training Participants: Commanders
Duration of Training: N/A
Courses per Year: Part of a broader training program
Staff Trainers: N/A
Language: N/A
Number of Participants: N/A
By Invitation or Application: N/A
Components of Training: Classroom setting, war gaming
Programmatic Assistance: No
Funding Provided for Course Participants: N/A
Funding Provided to Assist Domestic Training: N/A
Point of Contact:
FOKIV
Kongensgate 9
OSLO
Norway
Tel: 23 09 72 81
Fax: 23 09 72 80
E-mail: fokiv@fokiv.mil.no

South Africa
Foreign Training Unit: No
Location of Training: Foreign troops trained in South Africa
Training Participants: Mostly officers and NCOs, individuals and units
Duration of Training: From three hours to five days
Courses per Year: Four to five, for eight to ten countries
Staff Trainers: Five
Language: English
Number of Participants: 30
By Invitation or Application:
Invitation, primarily to Southern African Development Community countries

Components of Training:
Classroom setting (10 percent), training manuals, war gaming, and field exercises (90 percent)

Programmatic Assistance:
Not at this time but willing to do so

Funding Provided for Course Participants:
No

Funding Provided to Assist Domestic Training:
No

Point of Contact:
South African National Defence Force Military Attaché
South African Embassy

Spain

Designated Training Unit:
Yes

Location of Training:
N/A

Training Participants:
Officers, troops, Red Cross officials, university students

Duration of Training:
Once per year for five days

Courses per Year:
Courses organized by the Spanish Red Cross

Staff Trainers:
N/A

Language:
Spanish

Number of Participants:
N/A

By Invitation or Application:
N/A

Components of Training:
Classroom setting

Programmatic Assistance:
No

Funding Provided for Course Participants:
No

Funding Provided to Assist Domestic Training:
No

Point of Contact:
N/A

Switzerland

Foreign Training Unit:
Law of Armed Conflict Section, International Relations, Staff of Chief of the Armed Forces

Location of Training:
Foreign troops trained in Switzerland; training also provided in foreign countries

Training Participants:
Commanders, officers, and NCOs

Duration of Training:
From three days to one week

Courses per Year:
Three to five

Staff Trainers:
Four

Language:
English and French

Number of Participants:
30–50
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**Tanzania**

| **Foreign Training Unit:**     | Yes, Command and Staff College                                   |
| **Location of Training:**      | Foreign troops trained in Tanzania                                |
| **Training Participants:**     | Commanders and officers, major and above                          |
| **Duration of Training:**      | More than 10 hours                                                |
| **Courses per Year:**          | One, for more than five countries                                  |
| **Staff Trainers:**            | Two staff and two guest lecturers                                   |
| **Language:**                  | English                                                          |
| **Number of Participants:**    | 8                                                               |
| **By Invitation or Application:** | Selected by own country                                    |
| **Components of Training:**    | Classroom setting (60 percent), training manuals (20 percent), battle exercises (20 percent) |
| **Programmatic Assistance:**   | No                                                              |
| **Funding Provided for Course Participants:** | No |
| **Funding Provided to Assist Domestic Training:** | No |
| **Point of Contact:**          | Tanzania People's Defence Forces Chief of Operations and Training P.O. Box 9203 Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania |

**Turkey**

| **Foreign Training Unit:**     | Yes, Turkish Partnership for Peace Training Center              |
| **Location of Training:**      | Foreign troops trained in Turkey, also train foreign troops in own country |
| **Training Participants:**     | Commanders and officers, up through lieutenant colonel; specialists, civil servants, and legal advisers |
Duration of Training: Twice per year at Partnership for Peace (PfP) Training Center, two-week course; once per year through mobile training team, one-week course
Courses per Year: Seven to eight courses; 15–25 countries (NATO, PfP, and Mediterranean Dialogue)
Staff Trainers: 14–19 instructors, mostly guest instructors
Language: English; mobile training team can provide documents in Turkish or other native languages of trainees
Number of Participants: 75–80 for PfP Training Center course; 167 for courses abroad
By Invitation or Application: Training for NATO, PfP, and Mediterranean Dialogue countries
Components of Training: Classroom setting (20 percent), training manuals (10 percent), war gaming (20 percent), syndicate work and field training (50 percent)
Programmatic Assistance: Yes
Funding Provided for Course Participants: Not separately; funding provided through bilateral agreements with countries (full support and partial support)
Funding Provided to Assist Domestic Training: No
Point of Contact: Course Director

United Kingdom
Foreign Training Unit: N/A
Location of Training: N/A
Training Participants: N/A
Duration of Training: N/A
Courses per Year: N/A
Staff Trainers: N/A
Language: N/A
Number of Participants: N/A
By Invitation or Application: All training is arranged first with the relevant defence attaché in country, who then liaises with the appropriate secretariat in the Ministry of Defence in London
Components of Training: N/A
Programmatic Assistance: N/A
Funding Provided for Course Participants: Yes, scholarships available; defence attachés provided with list of selected countries, who then identify suitable members of armed forces and defence civilians
Funding Provided to Assist Domestic Training: N/A
United States of America  
Defense Institute of International Legal Studies  
Foreign Training Unit: Yes, training run by the Defense Institute of International Legal Studies (DIILS)  
Location of Training: Foreign troops trained primarily in their own country or in regional training programs; foreign military personnel also brought to the United States for training at DIILS.  
Training Participants: All training is tailored for each specific audience, with a wide variety of topics covered. Participants range from civilians to military of all ranks.  
Duration of Training: Courses vary but are usually one to two weeks.  
Courses per Year: DIILS is the military’s leading training unit in this field. It has trained more than 30,000 personnel from more than 144 countries. Courses are scheduled individually.  
Staff Trainers: All DIILS faculty are subject-matter experts.  
Language: English with simultaneous translation  
Number of Participants: 45 to 60 participants  
By Invitation or Application: Participation arranged through U.S military attachés at U.S embassies  
Components of Training: Classroom setting, exercises, scenarios  
Programmatic Assistance: Yes  
Funding Provided for Course Participation: Yes, arranged through U.S. military attachés at U.S.embassies; funding source is the Expanded International Military Education and Training (E-IMET) program  
Funding Provided to Assist Domestic Training: No  
Point of Contact: U.S. military attachés at U.S. embassies; DIILS website: www.dsca.osd.mil/diils  

George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies  
Foreign Training Unit: Yes  
Location of Training: Foreign troops trained at the Marshall Center, located in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany
### Training Participants:
Commanders and officers (lieutenant through colonel); civilian personnel from ministries of foreign affairs, ministries of defense, and academia

### Duration of Training:
Leaders course (three times per year, nine-week course); executive program (two times per year, 15-week course)

### Courses per Year:
40, for approximately 40 countries

### Staff Trainers:
Two specialists and a faculty of 23

### Language:
English, German, and Russian

### Number of Participants:
Varies

### By Invitation or Application:
U.S. and German governments set quotas for participation

### Components of Training:
Classroom setting (85 percent), distance learning (15 percent)

### Programmatic Assistance:
No

### Funding Provided:
Yes

### Funding for Int’l Training:
No

### Point of Contact:
Defense attachés at U.S. or German embassies; Marshall Center
website: www.marshallcenter.org

### General Information:
Numerous U.S. military war colleges, command and staff colleges, and other similar U.S. military organizations and institutions have foreign military personnel as part of their student body. To various degrees, each of these institutions offers training in the law of war.

### Points of Contact:
- U.S. Naval War College  
  www.nwc.navy.mil
- U.S. Army War College  
  www.carlisle.army.mil
- Air War College—U.S. Air Force  
- U.S. Marine Corps War College  
  www.mcu.usmc.mil/mcwar/index.htm
- Joint Forces Staff College  
  www.jfsc.ndu.edu
- U.S. Army Command and General Staff College  
  www-cgsc.army.mil/index.asp
- Air Command and Staff College—U.S. Air Force  
  www.acsc.maxwell.af.mil
U.S. Marine Corps—Command and Staff College
www.mcu.usmc.mil/csc

College of Naval Command and Staff
www.nwc.navy.mil/academics/colleges/cnsc.htm

Naval Postgraduate School
www.nps.navy.mil

Air University—U.S. Air Force

Marine Corps University
www.mcu.usmc.mil

National Defense University
www.ndu.edu

National War College
www.ndu.edu/nwc

Industrial College of the Armed Forces
www.ndu.edu/icaf

Inter-American Defense College
www.jid.org

Africa Center for Strategic Studies
www.africacenter.org

Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies
www.apcss.org

Near East South Asia Center for Strategic Studies
www.ndu.edu/nesa
## International Organization Training Programs

### International Committee of the Red Cross

- **Designated Training Unit:** Yes
- **Location of Training:** Geneva and in the trainees’ country
- **Training Participants:** Military, civilian
- **Duration of Training:** Varies
- **Courses per Year:** Varies
- **Staff Trainers:** Yes
- **Language:** Numerous languages
- **Number of Participants:** Thousands from around the world
- **By Invitation or Application:** Contact local Red Cross and make request for training
- **Components of Training:** Classroom setting, LOAC teaching file is online at: www.icrc.org/Web/eng/siteeng0.nsf/html/armed_forces
- **Programmatic Assistance:** N/A
- **Funding Provided for Course Participants:** No
- **Point of Contact:** ICRC headquarters in Geneva
  - International Committee of the Red Cross
  - 19 avenue de la Paix
  - CH 1202 Geneva
  - Phone: +41 (22) 734 60 01
  - Fax: +41 (22) 733 20 57
  - See website to find local Red Cross information: www.icrc.org

### International Institute of Humanitarian Law

- **Designated Training Unit:** Military Department of IIHL
- **Location of Training:** IIHL facilities in San Remo, Italy
- **Training Participants:** Officers (lieutenant through lieutenant general), civilian defense officials
- **Duration of Training:** One to three weeks
- **Courses per Year:** Seven different courses, 13 total
- **Staff Trainers:** Two staff and two guest lecturers
- **Language:** English, French, Spanish, and Russian
- **Number of Participants:** Since inception in 1970, 3,500 from 160 countries
- **By Invitation or Application:** Application
- **Components of Training:** Classroom setting
- **Programmatic Assistance:** Yes, one week course for managers of LOAC training programs
- **Funding Provided for Course Participants:** N/A
Funding Provided to Assist Domestic Training: N/A

Point of Contact:

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Liaison Office:
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La Voie Creuse, 16
1202 Geneva - Switzerland
Phone: +41 22 9197930
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E-mail: geneve@iihl.org

United Nations Institute for Training and Research—Programme of Correspondence Instruction in Peacekeeping Operations (UNITAR POCI)

International Humanitarian Law and the Law of Armed Conflict Course
Designated Training Unit: Yes
Location of Training: N/A
Training Participants: Officers, troops, civilians
Duration of Training: Self-paced (17 hours recommended)
Courses per Year: Unlimited, online
Staff Trainers: Yes
Language: English and Spanish
Number of Participants: Thousands of students from 65 nations
By Invitation or Application: Application
Components of Training: Self-paced training with online support
Programmatic Assistance: No
Funding Provided for Course Participants: No
Funding Provided to Assist Domestic Training: No
Point of Contact:
Registrar, Ms. Susan Terrien,
at terrien@unitarpoci.org.
Phone: +1.757.253.6933
Fax: +1.757.253.6954
UNITAR POCI
Box 20475
Dag Hammarskjöld Centre
New York, NY 10017-0009
United States
Web site: www.unitarpoci.org
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- Canadian Judge Advocate General  
  www.forces.gc.ca/jag

- Center for Army Lessons Learned, Training Center (U.S.)  
  http://call.army.mil

- George C. Marshall European Center  
  www.marshallcenter.org

- Joint Forces Quarterly  
  http://www.ndu.edu/press/jointForceQuarterly.html

- Marine Corps Judge Advocate Division  
  www.marines.mil/unit/judgeadvocate/Pages/Home/SJA_to_the_CMC.aspx

- Standards of Conduct  
  www.defenselink.mil/dodgc/defense_ethics

- UK Ministry of Defence  
  www.mod.uk

- United States Army  
  www.army.mil/references

- USAFRICOM  
  www.africom.mil

- US Army Command and General Staff College  
  http://call.army.mil/training.asp

- USCENTCOM  
  www.centcom.mil

- US Department of Defense  
  www.defenselink.mil

- USEUCOM  
  www.eucom.mil

- US Military Academy  
  www.usma.edu/dmi

- USNORTHCOM  
  www.northcom.mil

- USPACOM  
  www.pacom.mil

- USSOCOM  
  www.socom.mil

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  www.southcom.mil

- USSTRATCOM  
  www.stratcom.mil

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  www.transcom.mil

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- Joint Forces Staff College  
  www.jfsc.ndu.edu/schools_programs/default.asp

- Judge Advocate General Legal Center and School  
  www.jagcnet.army.mil/tjaglcs

- Standards of Conduct  
  www.defenselink.mil/dodgc/defense_ethics

- USNORTHCOM  
  http://www.northcom.mil/about/history_education/education.html
International and/or Nongovernmental Organizations

General Information
Human Rights First www.humanrightsfirst.org
Human Rights Watch www.hrw.org
International Committee of the Red Cross www.icrc.org
International Criminal Court www.icc-cpi.int
International Humanitarian Law Research Initiative www.ihlresearch.org
International Institute of Humanitarian Law www.iihl.org
National Institute of Military Justice www.nimj.org
Organization of American States www.oas.org/juridico/english/iHL.htm
Office of Legal Cooperation Program on Humanitarian Policy and Conflict Research www.hpcrrresearch.org
UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights www.ohchr.org

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