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HELLENIC INFANTRY SCHOOL



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1. Historical Background

a. The Infantry School is located at the Major (Inf) Belissariou John camp, in the city of Chalkida, which was one of the largest Greek cities in antiquity. Worth mentioning is the amazing global phenomenon, observed in Euripus' old bridge, in which the flow of sea water changes direction every six hours.

b. Originally, the School was founded in Athens in 1926 by the French military force, where it operated until 1935, as Infantry Application School. In 1935 it moved to Thessaloniki, where it operated until 1940. After World War II it was situated in Athens, until 1946. In 1947, it moved to Chalkida, where it operates until today.



The Headquarters Building

2. Aim of the Academy - School

Aim of the Infantry School is to provide adequate training to Infantry Officers and NCOs regarding its weapon systems, the tactics and staff knowledge so that they will respond to the duties assigned to them according to their rank and position.

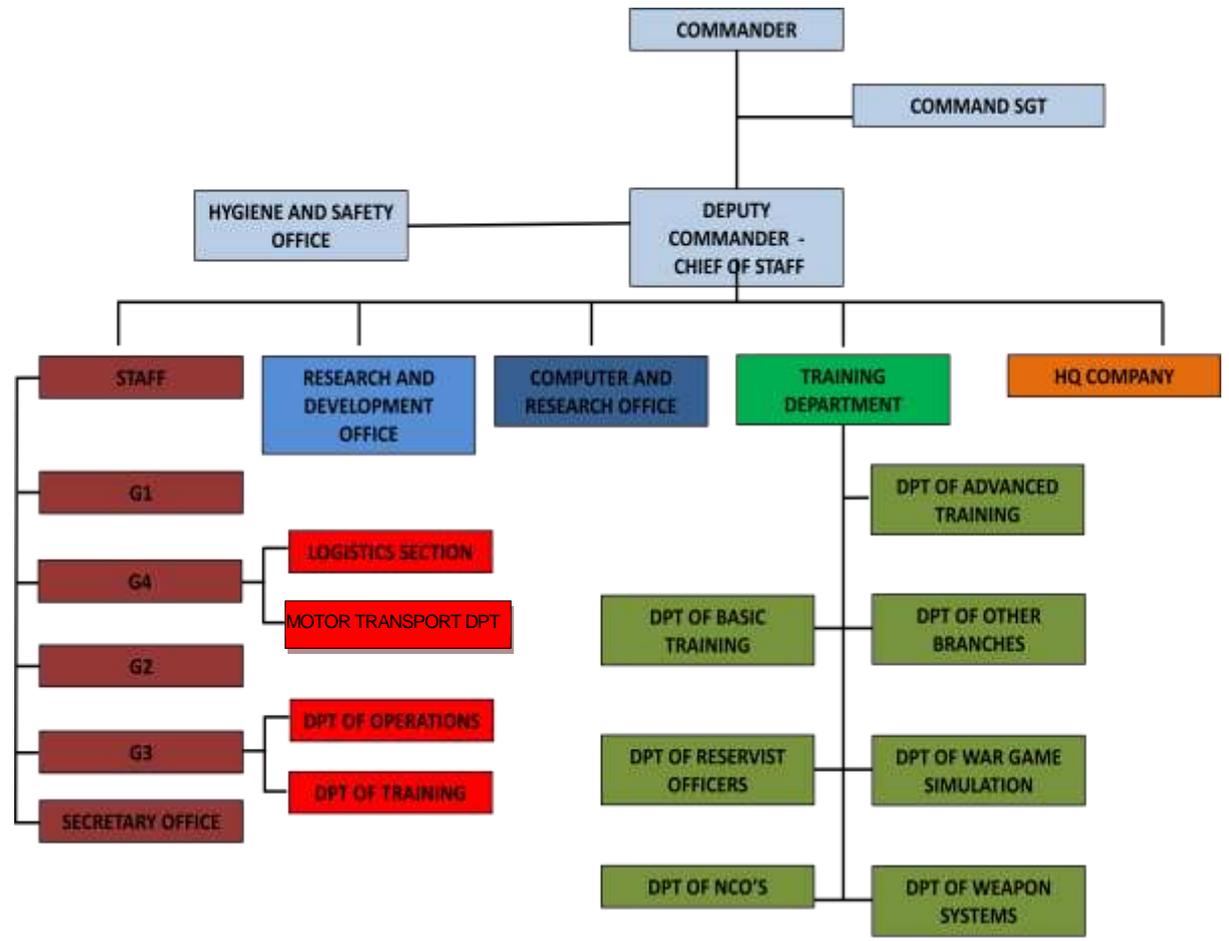
3. Mission

The purpose of the Infantry School is to train the staff up to the rank of Captain. All the cadets are trained in order to be able to perform the tasks of their rank as well as those of two echelons higher.

4. Accreditation

The Infantry School is responsible for running all the basic courses an Infantry Officer and NCO must attend in order to be promoted up to the rank of the Captain and to the rank of the Warrant Officer respectively.

5. Organization



6. Education and Training (Military - Academic)

The Infantry School consists of the following departments:

- Department of Advanced Training
This Department is responsible for the training of Captains from all the branches and Infantry First Lieutenants.

Regarding the Captains Course its objectives are:

- to master the Troop Leading Procedure (TLP) at the level of the company commander.
- to expertly master the Military Decision Making Process (MDMP) as staff members of a Battalion.
- to be ready to take over charges up to the level of Battalion Commanders.

Regarding the First Lieutenants Course its objectives are:

- to master the Troop Leading Procedure (TLP) at the level of the platoon leader and profession to the level of the company.
- to be ready to respond as staff members of a Battalion to the Military Decision Making Process (MDMP).
- to be ready to take over charges up to the level of Battalion Deputy Commanders.

- Department of Basic Training

This Department is responsible for the training of Infantry Second Lieutenants, Infantry Warrant Officers and Infantry Sergeants.

Regarding the Second Lieutenants Course its objectives are:

- to master the Troop Leading Procedure (TLP) at the level of the platoon leader.
- to have basic knowledge about the Military Decision Making Process (MDMP) as staff members of a Battalion.
- to be ready to take over charges up to the level of Battalion Deputy Commanders.

Regarding the Sergeants Course its objectives are:

- to master the Troop Leading Procedure (TLP) at the level of the team leader and expertly master it at the level of the platoon leader.
- to have basic knowledge about the Military Decision Making Process (MDMP) as staff members of a Battalion.

- to be ready to take charge, up to the level of Company Commanders.

Regarding the Warrant Officers Course its objectives are:

- to master the Troop Leading Procedure (TLP) at the level of the platoon leader.
- to expertly master the Military Decision Making Process (MDMP) as staff members of a Battalion.
- to be ready to take charge, up to the level of Company Commanders.

Furthermore, the Basic Training Department provides also military vehicle training to the Second Lieutenants and Sergeants that graduated from the military academies. The goal of this school is for them to come in contact with all the wheeled and mechanized vehicles the infantry units are using, learn their capabilities - technical characteristics and finally be able to drive them and get a driving license for them.

Finally, all Second Lieutenants, at the end of the course participate in a field training exercise with live fire. The duration of this exercise is one week in which they apply what they learned during the course on the field. They also cooperate with other Lieutenants of the other branches at the level of Battalion.

- Department of Weapon Systems

The Infantry School also provides high-level specialized training in anti-tank weapons (MILAN - FAGOT - TOW ITV - KORNET) in mortars and as Forward Observers. The school is a valuable source of knowledge for infantry Officers and NCO's, not only during their training here but also during their future career while in their Units.

Throughout their training students have to participate in Physical Training conducted almost 3-4 days a week. During their course students will be examined to the Physical Test according to the Standing Orders of the Hellenic Army General Staff. This test consists of push-ups, sit-ups, a mile run and 8 kilometers soldier's full load, ranging from 0 to 100 points in each event. A minimum score of 60 in each event is required to pass the test.

7. Flying - Navy - Special Education and Training

Another Department of the training is the War Game Simulator Department. This is an equally worthwhile military operations simulation and war games simulation department unifying, under one command, the Janus war game simulation and the VBS-3 war game simulation, emphasizing simulation and maximizing the potential of the systems.

In the JANUS simulation the students have the ability to simulate operations that they have planned on a tactical map and play the scenario to see the advantages and disadvantages of their scheme of maneuver and planning. It can even train up to the level of Battalion to Brigade.

In the VBS-3 there is the capability to train team leaders and platoon leaders in a new modern simulation game. Each student can be trained to the Troop Leading Procedure on a map and then apply them to the game and see the results of his planning.

8. Academic Faculty and Military Teaching Staff

The Infantry School is consisted of carefully selected officers as instructors.

It can train and provide accommodation to more than above 300 cadets simultaneously.

9. Academic Divisions

The training in the Infantry School is divided to the following divisions:

- Tactical Training
- Staff Training
- Weapon Systems Training
- Military Vehicle Training
- Communication Assets Training
- Physical Training
- Training in Simulators

10. Curriculum - Syllabus

Captains Course:

- Ops Tactics: 3 weeks
- Staff Training: 8 weeks
- Simulation Training: 1 week

First Lieutenants Course:

- Ops Tactics: 2 weeks
- Staff Training: 7 weeks
- Weapons Training: 2 weeks
- Simulation Training: 1 week

Second Lieutenants Course:

- Ops Tactics: 5 weeks
- Staff Training: 20 weeks
- Weapons Training: 18 weeks
- Simulation Training: 3 weeks
- Vehicle Training: 4 weeks

Sergeants Course:

- Ops Tactics: 3 weeks
- Staff Training: 12 weeks
- Weapons Training: 8 weeks
- Simulation Training: 2 weeks
- Vehicle Training: 4 weeks

Warrant Officers Course:

- Ops Tactics: 3 weeks
- Staff Training: 3 weeks
- Weapons Training: 2 weeks
- Simulation Training: 1 week

11. Prerequisites

Student Allocation Procedure

a. Joining Report and Curriculum Vitae

(1) "Trainee's/Visitor's/Invitee's Joining Report" and "Curriculum Vitae" must be submitted at the PoC at least 15 days before the course, as per the attached template. After that a confirmation receipt will be sent to everyone.

(2) In the "Joining Report" all the participants must mention a National Point of Contact (POC) from his/hers Approving Authority.

b. VISA Application

VISA related MOU. Please advise your local authorities for visa requirements before you begin planning your trip.

12. Graduation - promotion - career

Graduating from the mandatory courses of the Infantry School is a prerequisite to the Greek Officer and NCO to be promoted to the next rank. It is also prosperous for his career to graduate with an excellent grade from them.

13. Activities Domestic - International

While being in the city of Chalkis you can visit:

- The archeological museum.
- The castle of Kara-Mpampa.
- The old bridge where the flow of sea water changes direction every six hours.
- The ancient arch.
- The church of Saint-John the Russian.
- The archeological city of Eretria.
- The ancient sanctuary ruins of Artemida in the city of Aulis.

You can always visit the city of Athens located 85 kilometers from Chalkis.

14. Facilities

The facilities located in the Infantry School are:



Fully Equipped Gym



Infantry Museum



Infantry Dining Facility (DFAC)



Inside of the Infantry Dining Facility (DFAC)



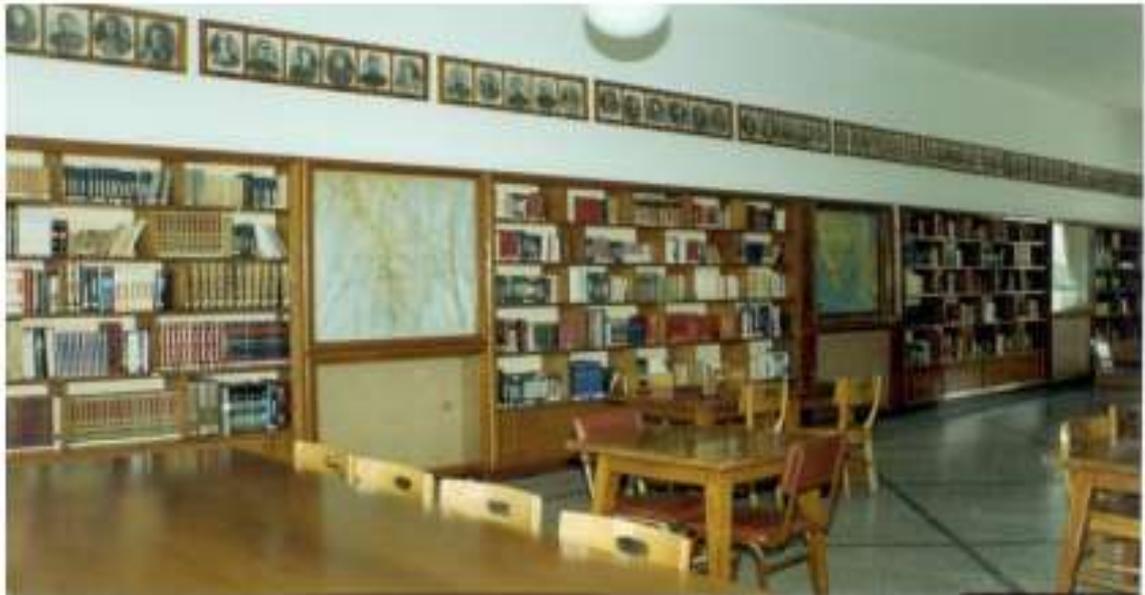
Infantry Accommodation Building



Inside look of the chambers



Barber Shop



Library



Teaching Classrooms



Medical and Dental Facilities



Anti - Tank Classrooms with simulators

15. Transportation

The city of Chalkis is located 85 kilometers away from Athens. The best way to come is from the Athens Airport by the train that comes to Chalkis. Another way to come from Athens is by taking the bus.





Useful Phone Numbers for Transportation Means:

Bus to Chalkis: 22210 20400, 22210 23120

Train to Chalkis: 22210 86617, 22210 22394

Taxi: 22210 89300-3

16. Contact info

Address:

Camp "Maj. Velissariou Ioanni" , Chalkis, Hellas

Useful Phone Numbers:

Infantry School Call Center: (0030)22210 22207, (0030) 22210 67100

17. Official site

For more information you can visit the web site: <https://spz.army.gr>