



US Rules of Engagement for Iraq; 2007 flowchart

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Description

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A flowchart detailing Rules of Engagement for Army operations in Iraq. Specifically discusses PID (Positive Identification) and deliberate targets.

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Is there PID? PID is a **reasonable certainty** that the individual or object of attack is a military objective in accordance with the ROE.

	CDE 5 HIGH		CDE 5 LOW		CDE 1-4 LOW ⁵		
	JCAS: BN CDR ⁴	All other weapons: OSC	JCAS: BN CDR ⁴	All other weapons: OSC	Joint Close Air Support (JCAS)	Surface to Surface Indirect Fire Assets	All Other Assets—including direct fire engagement
Deliberate Target¹	SECDEF		MNC-I CDR		DCG(M)	DCG(M) ³	DCG(M)
Time Sensitive Target (TST)²	MNF-I CDR		MNC-I CDR		DCG(M)	DCG(M)	DCG(M)
Self-Defense /Troops in Contact	JCAS: BN CDR ⁴	All other weapons: OSC	JCAS: BN CDR ⁴	All other weapons: OSC	BN CDR	OSC	OSC

Commanders and Soldiers at every level must consider military necessity, distinction, and proportionality before engaging a target. A proportionality analysis requires the commander or Soldier to determine that the incidental loss of civilian life, injury to civilians, damage to civilian objects, or a combination thereof that will result from the attack is not excessive in relation to the concrete and direct military advantage anticipated.

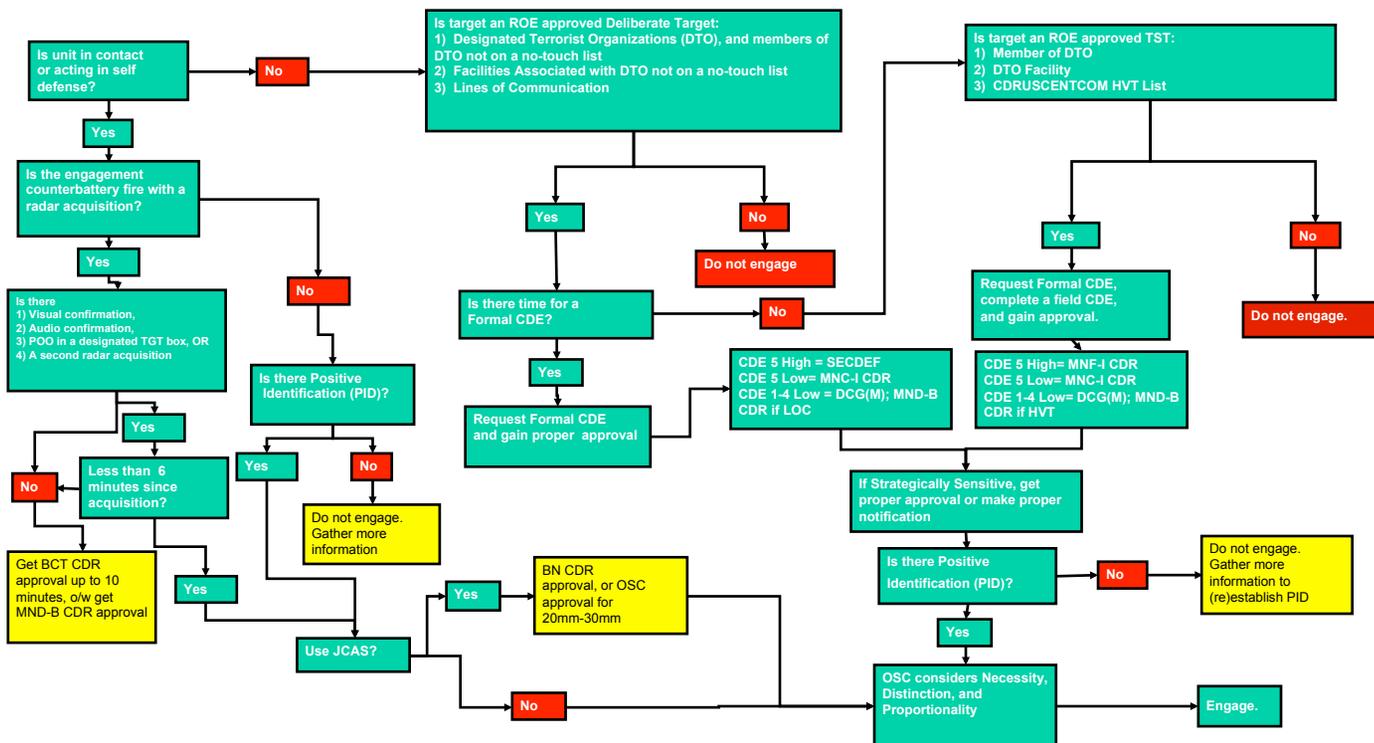
¹ There are three types of deliberate target sets: 1) Designated Terrorist Organizations (DTO), 2) Facilities Associated with DTO, and 3) Lines of Communication.

² There are three types of TST: 1) members of DTO, 2) facilities of DTO, and 3) CDRUSCENTCOM HVT list.

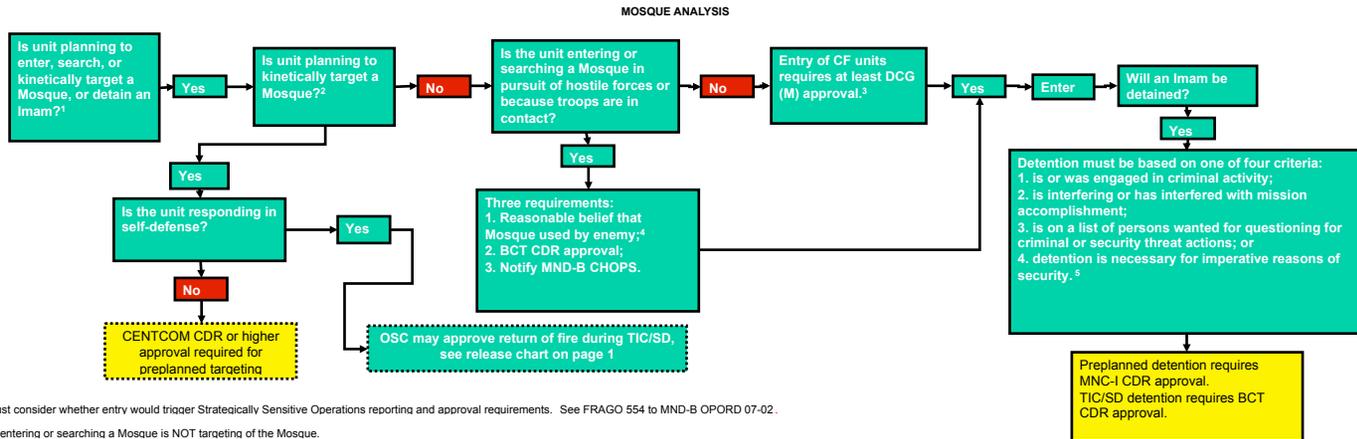
³ ECOORD is the approval authority for high explosive (HE) terrain denial, registration, HC smoke, and illumination missions.

⁴ BN CDR approval required for JCAS delivered munitions, except OSC can approve 20mm/30mm.

⁵ Even with No CDE, Strategically Sensitive Operations have notification and approval requirements. See FRAGO 554 to MND-B OPORD 07-02.



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1. Unit must consider whether entry would trigger Strategically Sensitive Operations reporting and approval requirements. See FRAGO 554 to MND-B OPORD 07-02.
2. Merely entering or searching a Mosque is NOT targeting of the Mosque.
3. DCG(M) must approve preplanned joint CF/ISF entry into all mosques not on the MNC-I No Touch list; preplanned CF independent operation requires MNC-I CDR approval. This authority applies throughout the MND-B AOR. Mosque entry guidance can be found in FRAGOs 553 and 554 to OPORD 07-02.
4. OSC/CDR has a reasonable belief that the target contains enemy forces, individuals assisting enemy forces, weapons, ammunition, important information, or any materials, equipment or contraband that may be used by enemy forces during hostilities.
5. Clerics or imams may not be detained on Mosque property if the only basis for detention is making prohibited statements, distributing prohibited material in violation of CPA Order 14, or making statements inciting violence.

<p>PROTECTION OF DESIGNATED PROPERTY All necessary force, up to and including deadly force, may be used to protect the following property:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Coalition Forces' mission essential equipment and supplies. 2) Public and private financial institutions; government buildings, including museums, courts, public schools and universities. 3) WMD or suspected WMD facilities. 4) Oil fields and related equipment. 5) Public utilities and facilities. 6) Dams or dikes that if damaged may result in flooding of civilian areas. 7) Agricultural processing, storage, or distribution facilities producing food for civilian consumption. 8) Hospitals and public health facilities. 9) That property designated by OSC, on a case-by-case basis, when necessary for the security and stability of Iraq.
<p>PROTECTION OF DESIGNATED PERSONS All necessary force, up to and including deadly force, may be used to protect the following persons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) All U.S. persons. 2) Citizens and other nationals of Coalition Forces countries. 3) Detainees. 4) Coalition Forces, Iraqi Forces, and/or personnel participating in military operations with MNF and the Iraqi government, and their associated mission essential equipment and supplies. 5) Non-Governmental Organizations ("NGO") and international organizations providing humanitarian assistance in Iraq, and their associated mission essential equipment; including, but not limited to the following organizations: ICRC, U.N. relief agencies, and all U.S./U.N. designated NGOs. 6) Victims of third party violence: force may be used against those who commit, or are about to commit, an act that is likely to cause death or serious bodily harm to another (use EOF when possible). 7) Those personnel designated by OSC, on a case-by-case basis, when necessary for the security and stability of Iraq.
<p>PROTECTED PLACES CATEGORY 1 NO STRIKE COLLATERAL OBJECTS--IF PREPLANNED OPERATIONS WILL HAVE SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS ON THESE OBJECTS, THEN MNF-I CDR OR SECDEF APPROVAL REQUIRED. DURING TIC/SELF-DEFENSE, USE OF THESE OBJECTS BY THE ENEMY NEGATES THEIR PROTECTED STATUS--HOWEVER, DAMAGE TO THESE OBJECTS DURING TIC/SELF-DEFENSE MUST BE MINIMIZED. COALITION FORCES WILL NOT USE THESE PROTECTED PLACES TO CONDUCT MILITARY OPERATIONS.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Religious, cultural, and historical institutions, structures, and terrain. Examples include Mosques, churches, monuments, cemeteries, museums, libraries, and internationally recognized historical/cultural sites. 2) Diplomatic offices, foreign missions, and sovereign nonmilitary property of other nations within the area of operations. Examples include embassies, consulates, ambassadorial residences, and their maritime assets. 3) Nongovernmental Organizations (NGO) (such as International Red Cross/Crescent and United Nations relief organizations) property, equipment, and personnel. 4) Medical facilities (both civilian and military) including hospitals, clinics, field hospitals, and medical training facilities. 5) Public education facilities including nonmilitary schools, colleges, universities, and institutes. 6) Civilian refugee camps and concentrations. 7) Prisoner of war (POW) camps and concentrations and government detention facilities/prisons. 8) Facilities whose engagement may result in pollution that cannot be contained to include contamination of standing water, streams, and rivers. 9) Dams or dikes whose engagement may result in the flooding of civilian areas.

27. Failure to timely resolve engagement may result in the issuance of a civilian order.



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