

COMBAT CONTROLLER



U.S. AIR FORCE



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SPECIAL OPERATIONS

You're one of the Department of Defense's (DoD) most highly trained and uniquely skilled special operators on today's battlefield. You're a Combat Controller (CCT).

You're capable of deploying anywhere in the world, undetected, into combat and hostile environments to establish assault zones or airfields and provide air traffic control services for follow-on forces. Simultaneously you're able to conduct fire support, joint terminal attack control, command and control, counterterrorism, foreign internal defense, humanitarian assistance or anything else required to complete special missions.

As a CCT, you deploy with special tactics teams consisting of other Air Force Special Warfare (AFSPECWAR) operators, including Pararescue, Tactical Air Control Party and Special Reconnaissance. You also regularly train and operate with Special Operations teams from other services such as the Navy SEALs, Army Special Forces and Rangers, and Marine Raiders.

Accomplishing your mission requires using some of the most advanced technology and specialized tactics techniques and procedures. They include amphibious equipment, motorcycles, snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, scuba diving, free fall parachuting, fast rope and rappelling insertion procedures to infiltrate the battle space.



FIRST THERE

Being a CCT is one of the most physically and mentally challenging jobs in the DoD. Those who are selected and successfully complete the intense training regimen become part of an elite team and earn the right to wear the Air Force Combat Control beret.

The Combat Controller's motto, "First There," symbolizes your commitment to undertake extremely dangerous missions behind enemy lines and lead the way for U.S. and coalition forces to follow.

SPECIAL WARFARE OPERATOR ENLISTMENT-VECTORING

As a prospective non-prior service, Active Duty CCT candidate, the Special Warfare Operator Enlistment-Vectoring (SWOE-V) program is the path for you. Your recruiter and developers (mentors) will prepare and educate you on each of the AFSPECWAR specialties.

After meeting all Air Force requirements, you'll attend Basic Military Training (BMT). Upon graduation of BMT, you'll attend the Special Warfare Candidate Course and if successful, the Special Warfare Assessment and Selection Course, with the chance to be vectored into one of the four AFSPECWAR specialties. Successful vectoring into the Combat Control career field will be based on your preference, your performance and needs of the Air Force.

(Note: Prior service, Guard and Reserve CCT candidates follow the same path and if successful, will automatically be vectored into Combat Control.)

CCT QUALIFICATIONS

- Be a U.S. citizen
- Meet the Air Force's entry standards
- Meet the score requirement on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) Test
- Achieve a passing score on the Initial Fitness Test (IFT)
- Pass the Special Warfare Airman Physical (requirements include normal color vision and depth perception)
- Successfully complete a national agency check, local agency checks and credit check
- Possess a valid state-issued driver's license
- Complete BMT, Special Warfare Candidate Course, and Special Warfare Assessment and Selection Course

INITIAL FITNESS TEST

You'll be required to pass the IFT prior to entering the Air Force and then again during the Special Warfare Candidate Course. Your recruiter will provide you with the minimum required standards to complete each test component. However, you should aim to far exceed the IFT standards.

- 25-meter underwater swim (twice)
- 500-meter surface swim (freestyle, breaststroke and/or sidestroke)
- 1.5-mile run
- Pull-ups in two minutes
- Sit-ups in two minutes
- Push-ups in two minutes



TRAINING PIPELINE

Special Warfare Candidate Course

Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, TX

Special Warfare Assessment and Selection Course

Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, TX

Special Warfare Pre-Dive Course

Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, TX

Special Warfare Combat Dive Course

Panama City, FL

Airborne School

Fort Benning, GA

Military Freefall Course

Yuma, AZ

Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape (SERE) Training

Fairchild AFB, WA

Air Traffic Control

Pope Army Airfield, NC

Combat Control Apprentice Course

Pope Army Airfield, NC

Special Tactics Training

Hurlburt Field, FL





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BONUS AND SPECIAL PAY

- SWOE — \$50,000 Initial Enlistment Bonus (with six-year enlistment) paid in full after your 3-level Air Force Specialty Code (AFSC) is earned/awarded at your first duty station
- CCT Special Duty Pay — up to \$450 per month
- Special Warfare Skill Incentive Pay — up to \$615 per month

AIR FORCE BENEFITS

- 30 days of vacation with pay each year
- Comprehensive medical care
- Tax-free food and housing allowances
- Opportunities for advanced education with up to 100 percent tuition assistance and the Post 9/11 GI Bill
- Live, work and travel around the world
- Generous retirement system with the Thrift Savings Plan similar to a 401(k)

(Note: The above Air Force benefits are available to those serving full-time. Not all benefits are available for part-time service. See your recruiter for more details.)

SERVE YOUR WAY, FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME

You can choose one of several paths that allow you to serve either full-time or part-time. No matter which path you select, you'll become a member of our total Air Force family. For more information, contact a recruiter today. Visit **WWW.AIRFORCE.COM** or call **1-800-423-USAF**.



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