



Directorate of Training & Doctrine

Missile Defense Training Division

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The creation of the Directorate of Training and Doctrine (DOTD) on Oct. 1, 2010 allowed for unity of effort in delivering the highest quality of Space and Missile Defense training to Soldiers. The new DOTD organization established two institutional schools within DOTD – the Space Training Division and the Missile Defense Training Division. This implementation was critical in the organization’s effort to meet its mission to provide training, education and doctrine to enable Space, Missile Defense, and high altitude full spectrum operations by Army Space and Missile Defense forces in support of Combat Commanders. This article showcases the Missile Defense Training Division schoolhouse.

Some of the courses that the Missile Defense Training Division manages include the GMD Operator Course, GMD Master Gunner Course, GMD Leader Development Course, Command Launch Equipment Operator Course, Sensor Manager Qualification Course, Sensor Manager Leader Development Course, Sensor Manager Executive Course, and the BMDS Asset Management Course. An important component within these programs includes leadership development training. The DOTD goal is to develop an educational framework in which these individuals can grow professionally, become technically competent, and lead others in the accomplishment of the mission. The GMD Master Gunner Course is an example of how

DOTD is enhancing Soldiers’ ability to fight and win. The course provides a vehicle in which Soldiers can develop their leadership skills over a period of time through a series of modules. The program allows these individuals to perfect leadership and management techniques as well as apply critical thinking concepts in the contemporary operational environment, culminating in a capstone project that leads to attainment of Master Gunner.

The Sensor Manager Leader Development Program also provides leaders an avenue to develop and hone their skills. The focus of this course is on Sensor Management battle management concepts that perfect their understanding of integration, employment, and execution of their respective weapon system, the AN/TPY-2 (FBM) radar. The future also offers new training opportunities for the organization. The deployment of more AN/TPY-2 radars has increased our student throughput dramatically.

With new technologies emerging, student attendance and new courses will continue to grow as well. For example, DOTD recently developed the BMDS Asset Management Course to meet the demands of a quickly growing missile defense community. This course provides a basic overview of BMDS, identifies the purpose of BMDS Asset Management, and explores the processes and tools of BMDS Asset Management Planning and Execution. The BMDS Asset Management Course’s primary goal is to enhance the knowledge and expertise of operators and other Warfighters in their various Global BMDS Asset Management roles and functions.

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If you are interested in learning more about these courses please refer to the course guide in the following pages or contact Clem Morris by e-mail or by phone listed below. The DOTD looks forward to fulfilling the Directorate of Training and Doctrine's motto of "Preparing the Warfighter today for the challenges of tomorrow."

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