The Physical Education and Sport Organization

Presentation by the commander of the Physical Education and Sport Organization of the Royal Netherlands Army (RNLA)

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Presentation subjects:
- Education and training of PE/Sport Officers and NCO’s;
- Tasks and organization of the PE/Sport Organization

In the Royal Netherlands Army (RNLA):
- Video tape
  - 12 minutes.
- Presentation
  - 15 minutes.

VIDEO “FIT FOR ACTION”

PE/Sport Organisation RNLA

Total 315 persons
- 98 officers
- 259 NCO's
- 17 civilians

PE/Sport Organization

- Staff sections
  - personal staff
  - planning and control
  - human resources dep.
  - infrastructure, materials
  - finance (budgets)
- PE/Sportgroup (on each military location)
  - chief (officer or NCO)
  - management assistant(s)
  - instructors
  - from 3 up to 20 persons (dependent on number and kind of military units)

PE/Sport Organization

PE/Sportschool
- Education and specialisation of own PE-personnel
  - new products
  - databases
  - etc.
- Train-the-trainer courses (for military instructors)
- etc.

Research and Development Centre
-Doctrine
-Dep. of Training Physiology
PE/Sportinstructors

- Civil education:
  - four years education at a Netherlands college of Physical Training (officers) or,
  - three years education at a Central Institute for Training of Sports Instructors (NCO's)
- Everyone starts with a temporary contract (up to max 35 years of age) as NCO PE/Sport-instructor.
- After that it is possible for a few of them to get a Lifetime contract (up to 55, maybe 56 years of age).

Career possibilities

- Civil education (college or training institute)
- Basic Military NCO training school (6 months)
- PE/Sportschool (3 months)
- NCO-instructor temporary contract (3-5 years)
- Possible scenarios to follow:
  1. expiration of contract
  2. extension of contract (up to max age of 35 years).
  3. for excellent instructors: lifetime-contract as NCO or Officer.

PE/Sportinstructors

LIFETIME-contract:

- Officers normally reach the rank of major in management, research and development, and staff functions. Excellent officers can even reach the rank of LtCol or Col.

- NCO's start as an instructor and reach higher NCO ranks in functions in management assistance, lower management or staff. Excellent NCOs can even reach the rank of lieutenant or captain.

PE/Sportinstructors

- All have to follow several military courses, professional training and specializations.

- Usual function rotation is 3-5 years.

- Function rotation only in the PE/Sport organization.

Mission PE/Sportorganization

- To ensure: that military personnel and units attain the required level of physical fitness.

- To contribute: to their physical and mental strength, which is crucial to operational deployment of units and individuals.

- To promote:
  - a healthy working and living environment
  - a sporting image

Mission PE/Sportorganization

- To offer: advice and assistance to commanders and instructors of military units.

- To monitor (army-wide) matters concerning:
  - PE / PT / Sport
  - Climbing
  - Outdoor-activities
Responsibilities PE and PT

- Commanders have the overall-responsibility
- The PE/Sportorganization is in charge of PE
- Unit-Instructors, together with PE-Instructors, are in charge of PT
  (PE-instructors even accompany units during exercises, UN-missions and military (war)operations)

SPORT

- On a voluntary basis
- Inside and outside daytime
- As recreation or in competitions
- Responsibility: PE/Sportorganization