



**General Information**  
**Basic Mountain Training Summer Course (BMTSC)**  
Hosted by  
**Colonel Besik Kutateladze**  
**Sachkhere Mountain Training School**  
**Partnership Training and Education Centre, Georgia**



**June 11 – June 30, 2023**

**1. General Information**

Within the Partnership programme Sachkhere Mountain Training School offers Basic Mountain Training Summer Course in the Georgian mountains. The Course provides the basic movement and rescue techniques and the knowledge in organized search and rescue operations (including use of mountain equipment, overcoming of planned route, finding of pre-identified locations, evacuation of an injured, climbing on artificial and natural rock, river crossing, overnight stay in mountains and movement up to 2400 m). The Course is open to NATO, PfP, MD, ICI and PatG countries.

**2. Location**

Training will be conducted in Sachkhere, Georgia

**3. Course Duration**

Three weeks

**4. Number of Participants**

Minimum - 8 military personnel;

Maximum - 30 military personnel;

Quota per nation: 5 slots per nation;

Places will be allocated in the order of the applications received.

**5. Schedule**

The course will start at 9:00 and finish at 18:30

Training will be conducted from Monday to Friday.

Note: The cultural event is planned during the course

**6. Course Requirements**

**Physical Requirement**

Good physical shape:

- ✓ Capable of performing outdoor activities at high altitudes;
- ✓ Participants should be able to move with 10 kg load during 3 hours on mountainous terrain;
- ✓ During the course participants will have 54 km movement in mountainous terrains with required equipment.

- Students who have already completed basic or higher level mountain training courses are not allowed to participate in the course. Students are requested to provide (via e-mail or fax) their **health certificate** (English version).

### **Language Requirement**

English language is essential, required proficiency in English is 2/2/1/1 (according to STANAG 6001). **English language certificate** should be provided (via e-mail or fax) with the application form.

### **Rank Requirement**

Participants must be active duty junior officer (OF1 - OF4) or NCO (OR1- OR9).

### **7. Costs, Accommodation and Meals**

Accommodation, meals, course fee and local transportation including from/to Tbilisi International Airport is fully covered by the MOD of Georgia. Travel costs to and from Georgia are to be covered by the sending nation. During the course participants are lodged at the hotel facility. The hotel offers rooms designed for up to 4 participants.

### **8. Visa**

Visa is sending nation's responsibility.

Visa is not required for citizens of the EU, NATO and the majority of Partnership countries.

### **9. Medical Service**

Initial level of medical support will be provided by the locally assigned doctor. Dental care and medical treatment exceeding first aid is to be paid for. It is strongly advised to have an international medical insurance valid for the entire stay in Georgia.

### **10. Dress Code**

### **11. Equipment**

During the course participants will be provided with necessary mountain equipment.

### **12. Evaluation System**

Participants will be evaluated according to the Centre's evaluation system based on the final test. Successful participants will receive course completion certificates.

### **13. Communication**

Participants will have access to the Internet at the hotel.

### **14. Social Programme**

Participants will be offered to participate in the cultural event hosted by the Georgian MoD.

### **15. Basic Mountain Training Summer Course includes 118 hours + 12 hours for administrative procedures (Total 130) hours.**

<b>Day 1, Sunday</b>		
Arrival at Sachkhere Mountain Training School		
<b>Day 2, Monday</b>		
09:00 – 11:00	Course opening, introduction to the instructors and brief overview of the course	
11:00 – 13:00	Familiarization and fitting/adjustment of mountain equipment.	Theoretical
13:00-14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 17:30	Learning how to use mountain equipment and how to tie knots	Practical
17:30 – 18.00	Preparation for the following day	
<b>Day 3, Tuesday</b>		
09:00 – 10:00	March and disposition in the mountain	Theoretical
10:00 – 11:00	Introduction to the test march and march with overnight stay	Theoretical
11:00 – 13:00	Learning knots and using equipment	Practical
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 17:30	Learning belay and rappelling techniques	Practical
17:30 – 18.00	Preparation for the following day	
<b>Day 4, Wednesday</b>		
09:00 – 13:00	Rock climbing on artificial rock	Practical
13:00 –14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 17:30	Crossing an obstacle path and rappelling	Practical
17:30 – 18.00	Preparation for the following day	
<b>Day 5, Thursday</b>		
09:00 – 13:00	Rock climbing on natural rock	Practical
13:00 – 15:00	Crossing an obstacle path and rappelling	Practical
15:00 –16:00	Lunch	
16:00 – 17:30	Evacuation techniques with UT-2000 stretcher	Practical
17:30 – 18.00	Preparation for the following day	
<b>Day 6, Friday</b>		
09:00 – 13:00	Introductory test march	Practical
<b>Day 7, Saturday</b>		
Cultural Event		
<b>Day 8, Sunday</b>		
Day off		

<b>Day 9, Monday</b>		
09:00 – 11:00	Rock climbing on artificial rock	Practical
11:00 – 13:00	Fixed rope ascending	Practical
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 17:30	Crossing an obstacle path and rappelling	Practical

17:30 – 18:00	Preparation for the following day	
<b>Day 10, Tuesday</b>		
09:00 – 10:00	Crossing an obstacle path and rappelling	Practical
10:00 – 13:00	Fixed rope ascending	Practical
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 17:30	River crossing	Practical
17:30 – 18:00	Preparation for the following day	
<b>Day 11, Wednesday</b>		
09:00 – 12:00	Natural rock climbing	Practical
12:00 – 14:00	Crossing an obstacle path and rappelling	Practical
14:00 – 15:00	Lunch	
15:00 – 17:30	<b>Midterm test:</b> knots	Test
17:30 – 18:00	Preparation for the following day	
<b>Day 12, Thursday</b>		
09:00 – 15:00	March: +1000 m. ascent for overnight stay	Practical
15:00 – 16:00	Lunch	
16:00 – 18:00	Setting up a camp	Practical
18:00 – 19:00	Dinner	
19:00 – 22:00	Preparation for the overnight stay	Practical
22:00 – 07:00	Overnight stay in tents	Practical
<b>Day 13, Friday</b>		
07:00 – 08:00	Breakfast	
08:00 – 11:00	Preparation for the march and march to the mountains	Practical
11:00 – 12:00	Collective evacuation exercise	Practical
<b>Day 14, Saturday</b>		
<b>Day-off</b>		
<b>Day 15, Sunday</b>		
<b>Day-off</b>		

### Training Week 3

<b>Day 16, Monday</b>		
09:00 – 13:00	Pre-test march (with 10kg. of load +2L of water)	Practical
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 17:30	Fixed rope ascending	Practical
17:30 – 18:00	Preparation for the following day	
<b>Day 17, Tuesday</b>		
09:00 – 13:00	Preparation for the test (rock climbing, fixed rope ascending, rappelling)	Practical
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 17:30	<b>Final test:</b> Fixed rope ascending	Test

17:30 – 18.00	Preparation for the following day	
<b>Day 18, Wednesday</b>		
09:00 – 13:00	<b>Final test:</b> Rock climbing	Test
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 17:30	<b>Final test:</b> Rappelling	Test
17:30 – 18.00	Preparation for the following day	
<b>Day 19, Thursday</b>		
07:00 – 13:00	<b>Final Test:</b> March: 12 kg. load + 2L of water	Test
<b>Day 20, Friday</b>		
13:00	<b>Course graduation ceremony</b>	

NOTE: Schedule might be changed due to the weather forecast

#### **16. Contact**

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**Important NOTE: Participants have to be at Mountain Training School NLT June 11, 2023.**