



# SQUAD: FOUNDATION OF THE DECISIVE FORCE

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UPDATE



## SFDF is Dedicated to All Dismounted Elements

### SFDF Updates

- **Maneuver and Fires Integrated Exercise (MFI):** Fires CoE, ARCIC FA-T and SFDF are developing the FY15 SFDF-Focused Assessment. MFI Phase I is scheduled for Jul 2015 at Fort Sill focused on target location & identification, Command & Control (C2)/data sharing, protection (countering unmanned aerial systems) and weapon & munitions system capabilities. MFI Phase II is focused on Preemptive Threat Detection and Identification and is scheduled for April 2016.
- **Squad Overmatch Study:** Squad Overmatch Study: DOTD MCoE will sponsor an Army SFDF FY15 study titled: "Cost of Achieving Squad Overmatch by Training Resilience and Situational Awareness Skills that Optimize Human Performance and Discourage PTS and Suicide".

### ARTICLES

- **Article: New devices may soon help Soldiers nose out chemicals, bio threats:** Researchers are refining for Army use a commercial technology that will allow Soldiers to accurately and rapidly detect an array of chemical and biological hazards - from mustard agent to anthrax - and then transmit those results to their higher command. ([View Article](#))
- **Article: ArmyFit's self-development website gets useful upgrades:** ArmyFit recently installed new features to its website. The site, at [armyfit.army.mil](http://armyfit.army.mil), is designed to help improve quality of life for Soldiers, families and Army civilians. ([View Article](#))
- **Article: Course aims to improve marksmanship across Army:** During the Maneuver Warfighter Conference, Maj. Gen. Scott Miller, commanding general of the Maneuver Center of Excellence, or MCoE, addressed an area many leaders in the operational Army had expressed concerns about - marksmanship. ([View Article](#))
- **Article: Squad X Core Technologies Seeks to Bring Technological Advances to the Infantry Squad:** New program pursues integrated systems to enhance infantry squad adaptability and flexibility in complex environments. ([View Article](#))
- **Article: Army's Benét Laboratories develops 120mm mortar test system:** The U.S. Army's Benét Laboratories, which is collocated on the Watervliet Arsenal, recently announced that it has achieved a significant milestone in the research and development of an extended-range

120mm mortar ballistic test cannon that if fielded, will greatly increase the survivability of U.S. infantrymen. ([View Article](#))

- **Article: A New Rucksack for Paratroopers:** An article by an individual equipment designer in Load Carriage Systems, Product Manager Soldier Clothing and Individual Equipment, Natick Soldier Systems Center. ([View Article](#))

## SFDF WAY AHEAD

- **SFDF Goal.** To improve the combat effectiveness of maneuver formations from Squad through Brigade Combat Teams.

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