

OPENING FIRE ON THE SCRUBBER LINE

1. Read your blue card.
2. On the SCRUBBER LINE where the warnings and perimeter fences are, you are a Sentry or Picquet, whether in a vehicle or on foot.
3. If you see anyone on or within the perimeter fences challenge three times, in the normal way.
4. If that person is apparently an adult male and he runs away ignoring your challenges, and if you honestly consider that you have no chance of catching him (e.g. because he is the other side of the main fence, or he has, say, 50 yards start on you and you have no vehicle immediately at hand) OPEN FIRE.
5. WARNING. Do not shoot if innocent people are likely to be hurt. ALWAYS POSITION YOURSELF, WHILE PATROLLING, SO THAT YOU HAVE AS CLEAR A FIELD OF FIRE AS POSSIBLE.
6. Re-read your blue card, The normal orders concerning opening fire if you are attacked etc apply, of course, along the SCRUBBER LINE LIKE ANYWHERE ELSE.

- c. To arrest persons committing acts of violence, or when you honestly believe have done so, and to prevent their escape.

When You Should Not Fire

3. a. If it is obvious that you can achieve your object by other means do not shoot.
- b. If you are a member of a party under the immediate orders of a superior, do not fire until he orders you to do so.

How to Fire

4. a. Always fire aimed shots.
- b. Never fire warning shots over people's heads.

Sentries and Picquets

5. a. If you or the persons or place you are guarding are attacked with arms or explosives open fire at once on your attackers.

b. The standard orders on challenging are:

- (i) If you see or hear anyone approaching you, adopt the 'on guard' position and challenge in ENGLISH and ARABIC by shouting 'HALT, WAQAF'.
- (ii) If the person challenged halts and you are satisfied that he has authority to be there, allow him to proceed. If you are not satisfied, hand him over to the guard commander.
- (iii) If he does NOT halt at once, challenge again ('HALT, WAQAF').
- (iv) If he still does not halt, cock your weapon, shout 'HALT, WAQAF OR I WILL FIRE' and use any means you have to summon the guard commander.
- (v) If he does not halt after the third challenge or if at any time he runs away, and you cannot stop him by any other means, open fire.

- (vi) If at any time you believe he is about to attack you with arms or explosives, open fire.

Escorts and Mobile Patrols

6. a. If you, your driver, passengers or vehicles are attacked with arms or explosives open fire at once and try to cut off the enemy's retreat.
- b. If you are only stoned tell your driver to keep going and get away. Don't fire unless the stoning is so serious that you really believe the vehicle may be stopped altogether and that you, the driver or your passengers, will be seriously injured.
- c. If your vehicle is obstructed by a road block try to remove it. If you are then attacked with arms or explosives, open fire on your attackers.
- d. Always be on the alert with your weapon ready for use.

Road Blocks And Checks

7. a. You are only to open fire at persons or vehicles whom you honestly believe are involved in terrorism. Providing this is the only way of stopping them, open fire with single aimed shots.
- b. You are NOT to open fire at persons or vehicles who are only guilty of failing to stop at, or of avoiding, a road block.
- c. All possible steps, such as long-stop barriers, are to be taken to prevent persons or vehicles escaping without the need to open fire.

Individual Self-Defence

8. a. If you are attacked with arms or explosives shoot the attackers at once, wherever you are.
- b. Don't join in brawls. Always avoid trouble if you can.

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MIDDLE EAST COMMAND

INSTRUCTIONS TO INDIVIDUALS FOR OPENING

FIRE IN ADEN

Issued by the Security Commander

Individual Responsibility

1. Always use the minimum force necessary to achieve your aim. If you use what in your opinion is the minimum force, you need never fear the consequences.

When You Should Fire

2. It is your duty to shoot if that is the only way:-

- a. To defend yourself, your comrades, families, Police and all peaceable inhabitants against serious attacks.
- b. To protect against serious damage all Government property, such as buildings, installations, vehicles and equipment.