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This instruction implements Air Force Policy Directive (AFPD) 10-2, Readiness, and supersedes all guiance provided in AFI 40-501, Air Force Fitness Program and AFI 40-502, The Weight and Body Fat Management Program. It complements the physical fitness requirements of DoD Directive 1308.1, DoD Physical Fitness and Body Fat Program, 20 July 1995; and DoD Instruction 1308.3, DoD Physical Fitness and Body Fat Procedures, 5 November 2002. This instruction applies to all Air Force members. Air Force Reserve Command (AFRC) and Air National Guard (ANG) members must meet the standards outined in this instruction; AFRC and ANG supplement/instruction provides specific information for Active/Guard Reserve (AGR) and Traditional Reserve (TR) members. For guidance on management of units assigned with Air Force Reserve members, Individual Mobilization Augmente (IMA), and Participating Individual Ready Reserve (PIRR) members refer to the AFRC Supplement 1 to this instruction. This instruction complements AFI 34-266, The Air Force Fitness and Sports Program, AFMAN 34-137, Air Force Fitness and Sports Operations and AFI 40-104, Nutrition Education. This instruction requires the collection and maintenance of information protected by the Privacy Act of 1974. Ensure that all records created as a result of prescribed processes are maintained in accordance with AFMAN 37-123, Management of Records, and disposed of in accordance with AFMAN 37-139, Records Disposition Schedule. The authority to collect and maintain the records prescribed in this instruction is Title 10, United States Code, Section 8013. Privacy Act system of records notice F044 AF SG N, Physical Fitness File, applies.

All members of the Air Force must be physically fit to support the Air Force mission. Health benefits from an active lifestyle will increase productivity, optimize health, and decrease absenteeism while maintaining a higher level of readiness. The goal of the Fitness Program (FP) is to motivate all members to participate in a year-round physical conditioning program that emphasizes total fitness, to include proper aerobic conditioning, strength/flexibility training, and healthy eating. Commanders and supervisors must incorporate fitness into the AF culture to establish an environment for members to maintain physical fitess and health to meet expeditionary mission requirements and deliver a fit and ready force. The annual fitness assessment provides commanders with a tool to assist in the determination of overall fitness of their military personnel.

(501CSW) AFI 10-248, 24 May 2005 is supplemented as follows:

(501CSW) This supplement provides additional policy regarding fitness standards for all units assigned to the 501st Combat Support Wing.

(501CSW) This purpose of this supplement to AFI 10-248 is to support the 501st Combat Support Wing (501 CAW) physical fitness program by ensuring Wing personnel meet Air Force physical fitness standards. Without doubt, physical fitness is imperative in today's Expeditionary Air Force. Personnel are often deployed, sometimes on short notice, to support defending our nation at forward locations. Airmen at all levels benefit from consistent and frequent physical activity--it is a critical foundation to our readiness. In addition, this increases the morale, image, appearance, and respect for our fighting men and women. For these reasons, the 501st goal is to set the standard in USAFE for achieving excellence in this area. The following paragraphs outline specific wing requirements for practice testing, managing substandard fitness levels, workout time availability, civilian employee policy, and use of FitLinxx.

SUMMARY OF REVISIONS

This revision incorporates Interim Change 2005-1 and implements new guidelines that clarify requirements for the unit-based fitness program, corrects time period for testing following deployment, identifies the fitness software application by name, places a timeline on data entry, specifies requirement for Health and Wellness staff to conduct body fat measurements on accessions, provides minimum period for retest requirements, defines exemption parameters and processes, eliminates required sequence for push-ups and crunches, provides guidance for the assessment of shift workers and intervention for members at Geographically Separated Units, clarifies timelines and requirements for education/intervention, provides guidance for the definition and disclosure of Protected Health Information as it relates to the Fitness Program, inserts maximum screening weights for accessions, includes Commissioned Officer Training, deletes guidance for IMA/PIRR and individual reservist administrative actions, specifies publication governing the USAFA Cadet Weight and Fitness Program, gives commanders guidance for members failing to present a professional military image while in uniform, corrects procedures and formulas for fitness assessment components, and clarifies administrative and personnel actions for failing to attain physical fitness standards. The entire text of the IC is at the last attachment.

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Chapter 1

RESPONSIBILITIES

1.1. US Air Force Chief of Staff (CSAF). Directs implementation of the program.

1.2. US Air Force Surgeon General (AF/SG).

1.2.1. Develops fitness policy.

1.2.2. Directs training programs and software development to support the FP.

1.2.3. Directs research to further FP initiatives, testing methods, and fitness standards.

1.2.4. Programs and resources medical aspects of the FP.

1.2.5. Recommends fitness standard modifications to the CSAF.

1.2.6. Conducts annual review of program standards and requirements; provides annual report of findings to the CSAF with recommendations for program improvement.

1.2.7. Collaborates with ILV, DP, and AETC/CC on matters relating to fitness policy.

1.3. US Air Force Personnel (AF/DP).

1.3.1. Develops personnel policy and guidelines to support implementation/administration of the Fitness Program.

1.3.2. Works directly with HQ USAF/SG as office of collateral responsibility for personnel issues related to fitness policy.

1.3.3. Ensures fitness standards at the US Air Force Academy, Officer Training School, Commissioned Officer Training School, Reserve Officer Training Corps, Basic Military Training, and Technical Training Schools align with this instruction.

1.3.4. Develops body composition accession standards in coordination with AF/SG.

1.4. US Air Force Installations and Logistics (AF/IL).

1.4.1. Supports the FP by ensuring availability of fitness resources: facilities, equipment, and programs in support of FP.

1.4.2. Ensures healthy food selections are available at base dining facilities in garrison and at deployed locations.

1.5. Air Force Medical Support Agency (AFMSA).

1.5.1. Reports statistical data required by DoD Instruction 1308.3 on physical fitness testing and body composition.

1.5.2. Provides direction and program support for the FP.

1.5.2.1. Provides physiology and nutrition expertise and program management support for the FP by providing consultative services to:

1.5.2.1.1. AFSVA on fitness and nutrition programming, education, and training for fitness centers, dining facilities, and flight kitchens.

1.5.2.1.2. Health and Wellness Center (HAWC) staffs, Fitness Program Managers (FPMs), Medical Treatment Facilities (MTFs), and the Air Force Medical Service (AFMS) on issues related to fitness and nutrition.

1.5.2.2. Prepares, updates, and coordinates training and materials for FP intervention and education programs.

1.5.2.3. Provides consultation for MAJCOM fitness program consultants.

1.5.2.4. Develops fitness program assessment training manuals and materials in consultation with the United States Air Force School of Aerospace Medicine USAFSAM/Performance Enhancement Division (USAFSAM/FEP).

1.5.2.5. Provides functional expertise to support development and maintenance of the fitness software application.

1.5.2.6. Acts as a liaison between the cycle ergometry software developers and the field users; performs software usability and compatibility evaluation.

1.5.3. Coordinates with the SG Consultant for Nutrition and Dietetics in development and distribution of nutrition education training materials targeting weight gain prevention, weight loss, and maintenance of weight loss.

1.5.4. Provides guidance for the fitness training courses at USAFSAM.

1.6. Air Force Personnel Center (AFPC/DPSF).

1.6.1. Works directly with AFMSA/SGPP as office of collateral responsibility to support program administration.

1.6.2. Implements personnel policy.

1.6.3. Updates fitness program software based on coordinated guidance and policy.

1.7. Air Force Services Agency (AFSVA).

1.7.1. Provides technical assistance and program guidance to the base fitness centers for developing fitness improvement programs (FIPs) in support of the FP.

1.7.2. Provides fitness program assistance to support both individual and group exercise programs.

1.7.3. Reviews, coordinates and provides input on deployment fitness equipment kits, containers and shelters; and, provides fitness program guidance to support both individual and group exercise at deployed locations.

1.7.4. Provides technical assistance and program guidance to the base dining facilities in garrison and at deployed locations in developing healthy and low fat meals in support of the FP.

1.8. MAJCOM, Field Operating Agency (FOA) and Direct Reporting Unit (DRU) Commanders.

1.8.1. Ensures safe and effective physical training (PT) programs and healthy meals are available.

1.8.2. Incorporates fitness and nutrition into compliance checklists for MAJCOM inspections (i.e., Operational Readiness Inspections, Unit Compliance Inspections, etc.)

1.8.3. Ensures MAJCOM/SG, in coordination with MAJCOM Health Promotion Director (HPD), appoints a fitness consultant to operate as a liaison between installation programs and AFMSA.

1.8.4. Appoints the MAJCOM Nutrition Consultant who, in coordination with the MAJCOM HPD, operates as the liaison between installation nutrition program managers and AFMSA.

1.9. Wing Commander or equivalent.

1.9.1. Provides an environment that supports and motivates a healthy lifestyle through optimal fitness and nutrition.

1.9.2. Encourages and supports unit fitness programs.

1.9.3. Provides appropriate staff, safe facilities and equipment, resources, and funding to establish and maintain PT programs and healthy meals.

1.9.3.1. Provides authorization and funding for FPM and Information Systems Manager at Health and Wellness Center.

1.9.4. Provides resources to assess fitness of assigned and tenant units.

1.9.4.1. Provides a location for all components of the fitness assessment. Provides a fitness assessment facility located within the HAWC where cycle ergometry assessments can be conducted under the supervision/observation of HAWC staff.

1.9.4.2. Ensures Fitness Assessment Monitors (FAMs) are available to conduct cycle ergometry fitness assessments. A centralized pool of active duty or civilian/contract FAMs is recommended to decrease FAM training time and unit workload (i.e., would require about 1 FTE/4000 active duty assigned). If active duty, FAM should be available for at least one year.

1.9.4.3. Approves 1.5 mile run testing course(s) with input from the FPM.

1.9.5. Monitors Air Force fitness testing procedures and administrative actions to ensure equitable administration throughout the installation.

1.9.6. Reviews unit/squadron fitness metrics at least quarterly; ensures members maintain currency IAW para **3.5.**

1.9.7. Makes necessary arrangements to ensure adequate PT and healthy eating for members remaining at home base during AEF rotations.

1.10. Medical Group Commander (MDG/CC).

1.10.1. Ensures qualified staff provides evaluation and appropriate behavior modification, nutrition and fitness education for the FP.

1.10.2. Ensures all medical providers for active duty members receive training on fitness program medical processes during initial orientation and on an annual basis.

1.10.3. Provides Medical Information Systems support for the HAWC computer systems and software.

1.11. Installation Services Commander/Director.

1.11.1. Ensures adequate staff, facilities, and other resources to support fitness and sports operations in garrison and at deployed locations.

1.11.2. Plans, programs, budgets, and funds the safe and effective, in-garrison fitness improvement program (FIP) classes in consultation with the Fitness Program Manager, to include joint SV/SG fitness marketing efforts.

1.11.3. Ensures that all fitness center staff attends continuing fitness education provided by the FPM at least annually.

1.11.4. Ensures food facility directors provide healthy and low fat meals and a healthy eating awareness program at Services food facilities**.**

1.11.5. Ensures fitness center director and staff are trained and prepared to support FP in garrison and in deployed locations.

1.11.5.1. Ensures fitness staff is trained to support FP, e.g., Cooper Training, FPM training, developing and leading group exercise, leading FIP classes, etc.

1.11.5.2. Provides unit PT leaders a thorough fitness center orientation to include group PT class setup, equipment use and safety procedures.

1.12. Unit/Squadron Commander.

1.12.1. Leads the unit fitness program.

1.12.2. Provides overall work environment for a community that is supportive of optimal nutrition and fitness by providing access to healthy foods and time to exercise during duty hours.

1.12.3. Implements and maintains a unit/squadron PT program IAW guidelines in **Attachment 2** and **Attachment 3**. PT programs not outlined in **Attachment 3** or MAJCOM/installation guidance should be written and reviewed/developed in consultation with the FPM.

1.12.3.1. Commanders will offer a unit-based program led by trained PTL at least three times per week specifying frequency of required individual participation.

1.12.4. Ensures all members are permitted up to 90 minutes of duty time for physical training three to five times weekly.

1.12.5. Appoints unit physical training leader (PT leader) to conduct unit PT and fitness assessments (body composition assessment, 1.5 mile timed run, push-ups and crunches).

1.12.5.1. The number of PT leaders appointed is based on unit needs (gender ratio, number assigned, duty location, duty hours, mission requirements).

1.12.5.2. The appointee(s) should be available to accomplish PT leader duties for a minimum of one year.

1.12.5.3. Ensures PT leader attends an initial PT leader course instructed by HAWC staff prior to overseeing and conducting the unit fitness program.

1.12.6. May appoint additional members to conduct body composition assessment. Appointed members must receive training from the FPM prior to conducting body composition assessments.

1.12.7. Appoints a Unit Fitness Program Manager (UFPM).

1.12.7.1. The appointee should be available for a minimum of one year.

1.12.8. Should establish a mechanism to recognize personnel who attain/maintain an excellent fitness level and/or make significant improvement.

1.12.9. Administers personnel actions of the program (see **Attachment 13**).

1.12.9.1. Ensures all assigned or attached unit personnel are in compliance with all fitness program requirements (e.g., unit PT, scheduled fitness assessments, HAWC classes and follow-up, and FIP).

1.12.9.2. Takes appropriate administrative action when an individual fails to accomplish a scheduled fitness assessment, attend a scheduled fitness appointment, or maintain the required documentation of exercise while on FIPs.

1.12.9.3. Ensures fitness case file is placed in the MPF outprocessing package for members departing for PCS or PCA and hand-carried to the gaining unit. The losing CSS will retain a copy for 90 days.

1.12.10. Requests a periodic fitness program review by the HAWC staff to evaluate unit physical training and testing program or by the MPF to evaluate administrative aspects of the program.

1.12.11. Refers deploying members enrolled in FIP to the HAWC for consultation prior to deployment.

1.12.12. Ensures members returning from deployment, who were exempted during deployment, are tested 6 weeks after reconstitution period.

1.13. Deployed Unit Commander.

1.13.1. Provides environment that supports and motivates a healthy lifestyle.

1.13.2. Appoints a deployed unit PT leader to facilitate unit PT program.

1.13.3. Ensures personnel enrolled in FIP continue to meet program requirements, if feasible.

1.14. Unit Fitness Program Manager (UFPM).

1.14.1. Completes UFPM training within 30 days of appointment.

1.14.2. Oversees the administration of the FP for the unit.

1.14.2.1. Enters and updates exemptions in the AF FMS.

1.14.2.2. Administers fitness screening questionnaire.

1.14.2.3. Schedules individuals for fitness assessments.

1.14.2.4. Ensures member's fitness assessment results are entered into the AF FMS within 14 days of the completed assessment.

1.14.2.5. Responsible for taking actions commensurate with the member's fitness level.

1.14.2.5.1. Initiates AF Form 108, *Physical Fitness Education and Intervention Processing*, IAW paragraph **8.4.**

1.14.2.5.2. Schedules members for instruction on and enrollment into a HLW, exercise prescription, Body Composition Improvement Program (BCIP) and FIP at the HAWC, as appropriate.

1.14.2.5.3. Tracks and reviews AF Form 1975, *Personal Fitness Progress Chart*, or electronic equivalent for members on FIP. Notifies the commander and supervisor and/or first sergeant of failure to comply.

1.14.3. Notifies the unit commander of members failing to attend scheduled fitness appointments.

1.14.4. Provides fitness metrics and unit status report to the unit commander/unit leaders monthly.

1.15. Immediate supervisor.

1.15.1. Participates, supports, and promotes an overall understanding among personnel regarding the Fitness Program.

1.15.2. Allows member up to 90 minutes of duty time for PT three to five times weekly; in cases where mission prohibits a member from participating in PT, the commander or first sergeant should be notified.

1.15.3. Promotes participation in unit physical training (PT) programs.

1.15.4. Ensures all subordinates complete scheduled fitness assessment and attend all required education/intervention appointments.

1.16. Physical Training Leader (PT Leader).

1.16.1. Attends an initial PT leader course instructed by HAWC staff prior to overseeing and conducting the unit fitness program.

1.16.2. Attends PT leader fitness center orientation.

1.16.3. Completes Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) training. Automated External Defibrillator (AED) training recommended.

1.16.4. Leads unit PT program that is approved by the unit commander and the FPM.

1.16.5. Oversees and administers unit fitness assessments.

1.16.6. Maintains a good/excellent fitness level.

1.17. Chief, Aerospace Medicine (MDG/SGP) or equivalent.

1.17.1. Provides or designates medical oversight and training for the installation fitness program, medical evaluations, medical waivers, and physical standards.

1.17.2. Establishes process that ensures cardiovascular risk assessment is updated/validated during PHA appointments.

1.17.3. Develops local policy for medical clearance of members who answer “yes” to questions on the Fitness Screening Questionnaire.

1.17.4. Ensures fitness program policies, medical conditions and medications affecting fitness assessments, and profiling and exempting procedures are briefed to the medical professional staff at least annually.

1.18. Military Personnel Flight (MPF). Appoints an installation personnel consultant for the FP. The appointee serves as a consultant to unit commanders on personnel actions.

1.19. Health Promotion Flight Commander/Chief or Element Leader.

1.19.1. Supervises members performing duties in the HAWC.

1.19.2. Facilitates environmental assessment and community-based education/intervention to encourage and support physical fitness, healthy eating practices, and weight gain prevention initiatives.

1.19.3. Ensures exercise, nutrition, and life skills education programs are incorporated into required FP education and intervention programs IAW paragraph 5.

1.19.4. Ensures members in the HAWC performing duties related to the FP have received required certification, continuing education, and annual training.

1.19.5. Ensures male and female members of the HAWC staff are trained to conduct height, weight and body fat measurements (IAW DoDI 1308.3) on accessions referred by AFRS or the CSS, as needed. Note: Accessions include enlisted to officer transfers, Palace Chase and Palace Front.

1.20. Fitness Program Manager (FPM).

1.20.1. Completes the required certifications and training.

1.20.1.1. Obtains and maintains Health Fitness Instructor certification from the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) within one year of hire as a condition of employment.

1.20.1.2. Completes Health Promotion Orientation course at USAFSAM within 12 months of employment.

1.20.1.3. Obtains other training (CPR, strength, etc.) as outlined by the position description; certification from the National Strength and Conditioning Association is highly recommended.

1.20.2. Facilitates environmental assessment and community-based education to encourage and support physical fitness.

1.20.3. Serves as a fitness consultant to unit commanders, first sergeants and supervisors.

1.20.4. Oversees administration of the installation FP.

1.20.4.1. Provides guidance and approval of group PT programs to ensure safety and effectiveness of programs for unit/squadron commanders.

1.20.4.2. Develops local procedures for the 1.5-mile timed run IAW **Attachment 8**.

1.20.4.3. Trains unit PT leaders to lead unit PT and conduct unit fitness assessments.

1.20.4.4. Conducts periodic quality checks on PT and testing to ensure safe and effective fitness programs.

1.20.4.5. Trains and certifies FAMs to conduct cycle ergometry testing initially and renews certification annually.

1.20.4.6. Ensures HAWC fitness testing equipment (i.e., cycle ergometers, heart rate monitors) is procured, maintained, and replaced as needed.

1.20.4.7. Assigns units cycle ergometry fitness testing stations each month to ensure adequate availability to accomplish fitness testing on members not cleared to run.

1.20.4.8. Conducts SAVs on unit PT and fitness testing as requested.

1.20.5. Provides fitness education and expertise IAW paragraph 5.

1.20.5.1. Develops fitness programs for individuals medically cleared to exercise but exempted from fitness assessment components, to include pre/postnatal PT programs.

1.20.5.2. Coordinates with the fitness center director to ensure availability/appropriateness of equipment and FIP classes; trains fitness center staff on installation FIP requirements/procedures.

1.20.5.3. Provides program education and training as requested (e.g., medical in-service, UFPM training session).

1.20.6. Provides continuing education for fitness center staff in coordination with the Fitness Center Director for activities in garrison and deployed locations.

1.21. Nutrition Program Manager/Certified Diet Therapy Technician.

1.21.1. Position held by a credentialed Registered Dietitian or AF-certified diet therapy technician.

1.21.2. Facilitates environmental assessment and community-based education/intervention (i.e., healthy snacks in vending machines, healthy choices at base dining facilities) to encourage and support healthy eating practices, weight gain prevention initiatives and weight loss maintenance initiatives.

1.21.3. Serves as a nutrition consultant to unit commanders, first sergeants and supervisors.

1.21.4. Provides nutrition education and intervention IAW paragraph 5.

1.22. Health and Wellness Center (HAWC) Information Systems Manager.

1.22.1. Installation administrator for fitness software application and data collection.

1.22.1.1. Oversees data quality management.

1.22.1.2. Ensures members responsible for fitness assessments have appropriate access to the fitness assessment database.

1.22.1.3. Conducts training for UFPMs on administrative responsibilities.

1.22.2. Updates and maintains current versions of cycle ergometry software in the HAWC.

1.22.3. Provides routine technical support and maintenance for HAWC computer systems.

1.22.4. Template and schedule manager for education and intervention programs IAW paragraph 5.

1.22.5. Builds and maintains HAWC web page.

1.23. Fitness Assessment Monitor (FAM).

1.23.1. Conducts cycle ergometry assessments at the HAWC.

1.23.2. Completes and passes initial/annual refresher training on cycle ergometry testing.

1.23.3. Refers members with questions concerning the fitness program, safety, or their test score to the UFPM or FPM.

1.23.4. Refers members with inconclusive or invalid cycle ergometry results to the UFPM to be rescheduled within 5 duty days.

1.24. Military Treatment Facility Medical Provider.

1.24.1. Maintains familiarity with fitness policy, screening, profiling and exempting procedures for fitness assessments.

1.24.2. Attends training provided by the FPM regarding fitness program policies, medical conditions affecting fitness assessments, and profiling and exempting procedures at least annually.

1.24.3. Reviews cardiovascular risk screening on all members during Preventive Health Assessment (PHA) evaluations to determine risk level.

1.24.4. Makes a medical disposition modifying exercise participation on any visit which affects the member's ability to perform PT.

1.24.4.1. Provides risk assessment and recommendations for members referred by FPM or unit due to positive response on Fitness Screening Questionnaire (**Attachment 4**).

1.24.4.2. Evaluates members who remain poor fit for >6 months for medical cause.

1.24.4.3. Completes AF Form 422, Physical Profile Serial Report, for members unable to perform any component of the fitness test and/or has existing medical conditions that preclude any component of fitness testing or conditioning IAW para **4.1.**

1.25. Individualized Mobilization Augmentees (IMA) and Participating Individual Ready Reserists (PIRR). IMAs and PIRRs participating for pay, and/or points, are subject to the provisions in this AFI. The UFPM, for the unit the IMA is attached, ensures the fitness assessment is accomplished and appropriate follow-up is completed.

1.26. Individual.

1.26.1. Maintains a healthy lifestyle by participating in unit physical fitness program according to guidelines outlined in **Attachment 2**.

1.26.2. Meets AF fitness standards.

1.26.3. Attends all required FP appointments.

Chapter 2

UNIT PHYSICAL FITNESS TRAINING PROGRAM

2.1. Commander-driven physical fitness training is the backbone of the AF physical fitness program. The program promotes aerobic and muscular fitness, flexibility, and optimal body composition of each member in the unit.

2.2. Duty time must include PT as an integral part of mission requirements.

2.2. (501CSW) Workout may be conducted on duty time to the maximum extent practical; Commanders and supervisors are expected to make such duty time available, and to support physical training (PT) fully. Members who are in the "Poor/Marginal" categories are expected to contribute off-duty time as necessary and consistent with an active, healthy lifestyle until they have met established fitness standards.

2.2.1. The program will meet the current ability level of the members while encouraging and challenging members to progress to a higher fitness level.

2.2.2. The 1.5-mile timed run, abdominal circumference, push-up and crunch tests are designed as a measurement of the effectiveness of the PT program. However, training should not be limited to these test activities.

2.2.3. The unit fitness program should incorporate the guidelines in **Attachment 2** to develop general fitness, prevent boredom, and decrease repetitive strain injuries. Sample unit PT programs are provided at **Attachment 3**.

2.2.4. Group sporting events such as volleyball, softball, etc., may be considered for esprit de corps, but not as a group PT program.

2.3. Safety must be an overarching concern throughout PT and testing.

2.3.1. Ensure a safe environment for training by assessing traffic patterns, temperature, availability of water and first aid, and awareness of emergency procedures.

2.3.2. Consider individual safety issues such as medical limitations and level of ability.

Chapter 3

PHYSICAL FITNESS STANDARD

3.1. General. The AF uses a composite fitness score based on aerobic fitness, muscular strength and body composition to determine overall fitness. Overall fitness is directly related to health risk, including risk of disease (morbidity) and death (mortality). A composite score of 70 represents the minimum accepted health, fitness and readiness levels. Health and readiness benefits continue to increase as body composition improves and physical activity and fitness levels increase. Members are encouraged to optimize their own fitness and readiness by improving their overall fitness.

3.2. Determining composite fitness score.

3.2.1. Age and gender-specific fitness score charts are provided in **Attachment 12**. The HAWC will be the local point of contact for the fitness score charts.

3.2.2. Members will receive a composite score on a 0 to 100 scale based on the following maximum component scores: 50 points for aerobic fitness assessment, 30 points for body composition (abdominal circumference), 10 points for push-ups and 10 points for crunches.

3.2.3. The score is determined by the following formula:

$$\text{Composite score} = \frac{\text{Total component points achieved}}{\text{Total possible points}} \times 100$$

Component:	Aerobic Fitness	Abdominal Circumference	Push-up	Crunch
Possible Points:	50	30	10	10

3.2.4. Scoring for waivers/exemptions. Members with a medical profile prohibiting them from performing one or more components of the fitness assessment will have a composite score calculated on the tested components. Abdominal circumference will be performed on all members, unless exempted by provider (reference para **4.2.4.**), since there is no risk to the member.

Examples:

1)Member exempted from push-ups: If member receives 40 points for aerobic fitness, 24 points for abdominal circumference and 8 points for crunch test; the total component points achieved equal 72. Possible points from aerobic fitness, abdominal circumference, and crunch tests equal 90 points. Composite score is: (72/90) x 100 = 80 points.

2)Member exempted from aerobic fitness: If member receives 21 points for abdominal circumference, 9 points for push-up and 7 points for crunch test; the total component points achieved equal 37. Possible points from abdominal circumference, push-up and crunch tests equal 50 points. Composite score is: (37/50) x 100 = 74 points.

3)Member exempted from aerobic fitness, push-up and crunch tests: If member receives 21 points for abdominal; the total component points achieved equal 21. Possible points from abdominal circumference equal 30 points. Composite score is: (21/30) x 100 = 70 points.

3.3. Fitness Levels. Composite scores represent a health-based fitness level. As the fitness level increases, airmen are able to tolerate extremes in temperature, fatigue, and stress while optimizing performance in the AEF environment.

3.3.1. **Excellent.** Composite score ≥90

3.3.2. **Good.** Composite score of 75-89.99

3.3.3. **Marginal.** Composite score of 70-74.99

3.3.4. **Poor.** Composite score <70

3.4. Scheduling. Frequency of fitness testing should be based on the previous fitness score unless earlier assessment is necessary to accommodate the AEF rotation and maximize time available for intervention/ fitness improvement.

3.4.1. **Excellent/Good.** Test within 12 months.

3.4.2. **Marginal.** Test within 90 days, but not during the first 45 days of achieving a marginal score.

3.4.3. **Poor.** Test within 90 days, but not during the first 45 days of acheiving a poor score. This time period facilitates lifestyle change and sufficient conditioning time to increase fitness level while prventing injury. For IMAs/PIRRs, see guidance in AFRC Supplement.

3.5. Currency. Currency is established on completion of the following program requirements based on the member's last fitness level as follows:

3.5. (501CSW) Currency. A vital component of the 501 CSW Fitness Program is regular practice testing of members as a year-round indicator of individual fitness levels. Practice testing enables units to identify individuals potentially "at risk" for unsatisfactory testing results before they test for record, encouraging a more proactive approach to attaining desired fitness levels. It will also enable individuals who scored a "Poor" or "Marginal" on record tests to track progress toward their goal of gaining a "Good" score. The frequency of practice tests is dependent on the individual's fitness level. Unit Physical Training Leaders (PTLs) will administer practice tests and ensure the results are properly documented.

3.5.1. **Excellent/Good Score.** Must retest within 12 months; considered non-current on the 1st day of the 13th month after their last fitness assessment (i.e., if tested 1-31 January, the member is due the following January and becomes non-current on 1 February).

3.5.1. **(501CSW)** Individuals whose previous practice or official test score was "Good" or "Excellent" will take practice tests on a quarterly basis, no later than the last day of the 3rd month after their previous baseline (e.g. a "Good" practice test in September must take another practice test NLT 31 December).

3.5.2. **Marginal Score.** Must retest within 90 days and complete the Healthy Living Workshop (HLW), unless completed in the past year.

3.5.2. **(501CSW)** Individuals whose last practice or official test score was "Poor" or "Marginal" will conduct bi-weekly (once every two weeks) practice testing. They will continue bi-weekly testing until they score a "Good" two tests in a row. In addition to monitoring progress toward improved fitness scores, bi-weekly testing is designed as a confidence-builder when "at risk" individuals are ready to test officially again with a Good score as an objective. Units will encourage members who have "Poor" or "Marginal" official test scores to take an official test as soon as they are confident they can

attain a Good score IAW the requirements established by AFI 10-248 (i.e., official testing can not occur until 45 days have elapsed from the last official test for individuals with Poor scores).

3.5.3. **Poor Score.** Must test within 90 days; complete the HLW, targeted education/intervention, and member enrolled into FIP. Members with a high abdominal circumference (males >40" or females >35") are also enrolled into BCIP.

3.5.4. If a member is unable to complete any scheduled fitness test or classes due to mission requirements, the member must receive written approval from the unit comander for an excusal. A copy of the written approval is filed in the member's PIF. The member must be rescheduled and attend the missed appointment within 15 duty days after completion of mission requirement.

3.5.4.1. DeleteD.

3.5.4.2. DeleteD.

3.5.4.3. DeleteD.

3.6. Exemptions. Exemptions are designed to categorize members as unable or unavailable to train or test for reasons beyond the control of the member or commander.

3.6.1. **Component Exemptions.** The commander may grant members an exemption from components (aerobic assessment, crunches, and/or push-ups) of physical training or physical assessment based on medical recommendations IAW para **4.2.3.** When the component exemption expires or is cleared by the provider, the member will become due for a composite assessment. If the component exemption exceeded 30 days, the member is given 6 weeks following the expiration or clearance of the medical exemption for training.

3.6.2. **Composite Exemptions.** Composite exemptions shall not be issued for personnel still currently assigned to a unit and still available to test solely for the purpose of removing a member from the denominator (i.e., impending retirements or separations, scheduled TDY, overdue, etc.). The unit commander may grant a temporary exemption from the entire composite assessment according the following limited circumstances:

Table 3.1. Composite Exemptions.

Type	Definition
Medical[1]	Member is prohibited from completing **all** components of the fitness assessment.
Pregnancy[2]	Member has a pregnancy profile.
Deployment[1]	If a member is due to test prior or during projected deployment, the member will complete an assessment prior to deployment. Member on 365-day TDY will test prior to departure. If this is not possible due to extenuating circumstances or the deployment is extended beyond the member's currency, the commander may grant a deployment exemption.
Commander[1]	Members unable to complete an assessment for time-limited, unforeseen catastrophic event that precludes training and testing for greater than 30 days (e.g., Sept 11th) may be exempt for that period. Members in inbound status are exempt through the RNLTD and given 6 weeks to acclimatize before testing. Exemptions are not granted for members in outbound status; members that are due to test prior to the RNLTD must be tested prior to PCS. Members on PTDY in conjunction with terminal leave and/or on terminal leave may be exempt until the member is removed from active status.

NOTES:

1. If the exemption exceeds 30 days, the member is given 6 weeks following the expiration of the medical exemption for training.
2. Member is exempt from fitness testing during pregnancy and 180 days after delivery date IAW para **4.2.9.1.** and **4.2.9.2.**

Chapter 4

PHYSICAL FITNESS ASSESSMENT

4.1. General. The unit will conduct all body composition, 1.5-mile timed run, pushups and crunch assessments.

4.2. Medical Screening and Intervention.

4.2.1. All members must complete the Fitness Screening Questionnaire prior to fitness testing.

4.2.1.1. All members must complete the Fitness Screening Questionnaire (**Attachment 4**) within 30 calendar days, but NLT 7 days prior to fitness assessment to allow medical evaluation, when indicated.

4.2.1.2. Members with a positive Fitness Screening Questionnaire must be cleared by a medical provider prior to their fitness assessment. The provider completes the Medical Clearance Letter (**Attachment 5**) and an AF Form 422, if applicable.

4.2.1.3. The UFPM files the Fitness Screening Questionnaire in the member's personnel information file (PIF). For members who answer "yes" on the Fitness Screening Questionnaire, the Medical Clearance Letter and AF Form 422, if applicable, are retained in the member's PIF for one year.

4.2.2. Providers may authorize temporary medical exemptions for medical conditions that prevent a member from safely participating in specific physical conditioning programs, participating in a coponent of the fitness assessment, or who require temporary exemption from a component of testing. The provider will specifiy the length of time required for exemption and the time the member will be cleared to test that component(s). Assessment for participation in fitness activities should be made at each visit to prevent the member from having to return for clearance or exemption at a later date.

4.2.3. Providers may recommend exemption from the following:

4.2.3.1. Aerobic fitness test. The physician should specify exemption from running, walking, cycling, or all three based on injury, illness or unacceptable cardiovascular risk. See paragraph **4.2.6.** and **4.2.2.**

4.2.3.2. Push-up test. Acute upper extremity injury, derangement of the shoulder or other limiting condition may be cause for temporary exemption from the push-up component of the test.

4.2.3.3. Crunch test. Acute injury to the back, abdomen or other limiting condition may be cause for temporary exemption from the crunch-testing component of annual fitness test.

4.2.4. Providers may not recommend exemption from abdominal circumference testing except after abdominal surgery or during or 180 days after pregnancy.

4.2.5. Providers will not recommend total exemption from a regular fitness/exercise program; rather, the provider should recommend specific conditioning appropriate for the medical condition (per para **4.2.2.**-**4.2.4.**). The provider will refer the member medically cleared for exercise , but exempt from specific activities, to the FPM, or appropriate ancillary provider (e.g. physical therapist) for fitness/ rehabilitative consultation.

4.2.6. Providers will annotate member's physical fitness training restrictions and capabilities to include the expiration date on the AF Form 422, Physical Profile Serial Report.

4.2.6.1. Medical exemptions will last no longer than one year, with the exception of pregnancy exemptions and those with a permanent exemption following an MEB/PEB.

4.2.6.2. All members for whom medical exemption from testing, or for whom fitness training must be modified for greater than 30 days, including pregnancy, will be referred to the FPM, or appropriate ancillary provider (e.g. physical therapist) for an exercise assessment, prescription and counseling or rehabilitation program.

4.2.7. Members found to have medical conditions that potentially limit their ability to perform duties in their AFSC for greater than 1 year, or that may limit deployment or worldwide assignment must be placed on a 4T profile and MEB actions initiated.

4.2.7.1. Exemption from one or more components of the fitness test without limitation as noted above will not be cause for MEB processing.

4.2.7.2. Members who are physically unable to participate in a fitness/exercise/training program for greater than one year due to medical conditions should be presumed to be non-deployable, non-assignable and MEB processing will be initiated NLT one year after the first profile for the affecting condition IAW AFI 48-123, Medical Examination and Standards.

4.2.7.3. Members who undergo MEB/PEB for a medically disqualifying condition must be profiled in accordance with the medical guidance from AFPC/DPAMM and the recommendations of their PCM.

4.2.8. Members will not be required to fitness test for at least six weeks following the end of the temporary exemption period if exempted from all forms of exercise for >30 days. This period should be annotated on the AF Form 422 in the "comments" section.

4.2.8.1. IMAs/PIRRs will complete their fitness test after expiration of the medical exemption during the first scheduled annual training (AT), active duty training (ADT), or inactive duty training (IDT).

4.2.9. Pregnant service members will engage in physical activity to maintain cardiovascular and muscular fitness throughout the pregnancy and postpartum period, in accordance with medical guidance (American College of Gynecology/American College of Sports Medicine). Exercise regimens will consist of routines that include PT and nutrition counseling.

4.2.9.1. Members will be exempted from fitness testing during pregnancy and for 180 days after the delivery date. This exemption is only for the fitness test and does not exclude the member from participating in a fitness program. Members should discuss their fitness program with their provider and may consult with the FPM.

4.2.9.2. The member's health care provider will determine fitness test exemption for pregnancy ending earlier than full term.

4.2.10. Medical exemptions for fitness testing should not affect assignments, evaluations, training, or promotions unless the member is affected by a 4T profile/MEB action as noted above.

4.3. Assessment Procedures.

4.3.1. Components of the fitness assessment (body composition, aerobic and muscular fitness assessments) should be completed on the same duty day, if possible; however, all components must be completed within 5 duty days. If completed on the same duty day:

4.3.1.1. The body composition assessment, to include height, weight, and abdominal circumference, is performed by unit members appointed and trained IAW paragraph **1.12.5.** and **1.12.6.**

4.3.1.2. The muscular fitness assessment (pushups then crunches) may be accomplished before or after the 1.5 mile run, but must be completed after the cycle ergometry test (or 1-mile walk for eligible members).

4.3.1.3. There must be at least a 3-minute rest period between components.

4.3.1.4. The assessment components should be scheduled to allow adequate rest for members on irregular/shift work hours.

4.3.2. **Body Composition Assessment.**

4.3.2.1. Height and Weight.

4.3.2.1.1. Obtain height and weight IAW DoDI 1308.3 and procedures provided in **Attachment 7**. These measures are not part of the member's composite score.

4.3.2.1.2. Members who have a Body Mass Index (BMI) <19 kg/m^2 will be referred to their provider for medical evaluation when first detected. **Attachment 7** contains the Body Mass Index calculation and reference chart.

4.3.2.2. Abdominal Circumference Assessment.

4.3.2.2.1. The abdominal circumference measurement is used to obtain the body composition component score.

4.3.2.2.2. Abdominal measurement technique is outlined in **Attachment 7**.

4.3.3. **Aerobic Assessment.**

4.3.3.1. Aerobic fitness is measured with a 1.5 mile run according to procedures outlined in **Attachment 8**. All members will complete the 1.5 mile timed run unless medically exempted.

4.3.3.2. Members medically exempted from the run and cleared for a sub-maximal test will complete the cycle ergometry test according to procedures in **Attachment 9**.

4.3.3.3. Members receiving an inconclusive cycle ergometry assessment.

4.3.3.3.1. Members who receive an invalid cycle ergometry result must be reassessed by cycle ergometry within 5 duty days. An unexcused failure to return for a reassessment within 5 duty days will result in administrative action. For IMAs/PIRRs, see paragraph **6.5.**

4.3.3.3.2. Members who receive a second consecutive inconclusive test will have their assessments reviewed by the FPM.

4.3.3.3.3. The FPM will make a determination on the member's aerobic fitness score or whether the member needs to be tested by the FPM.

4.3.4. **Muscular Fitness Assessment.**

4.3.4.1. Upper body muscular strength/endurance is measured with a 1-minute timed push-up test. For testing procedures and techniques, see **Attachment 11**.

4.3.4.2. Abdominal muscular strength/endurance is measured with a 1-minute timed crunch test. For testing procedures and techniques, see **Attachment 11**.

Chapter 5

PHYSICAL FITNESS EDUCATION/INTERVENTION

5.1. Ongoing Education and a Supportive Environment. Ongoing education and a supportive environment for all members and early intervention for marginal and poor fit members are essential to maintain health and fitness of the force.

5.1. (501CSW) Ongoing Education and Supportive Environment. Unit commanders must proactively assist those individuals whose fitness levels are substandard. Members of the 501 CSW who score "Poor" or "Marginal" must participate in the Basic Fitness Improvement Training (B-FIT) program developed by the RAF Mildenhall Fitness Program Manager (FPM) and their Health and Fitness Center. Unit commanders will ensure this B-FIT training includes:

5.1.1. The installation environment will be conducive for all members to maintain a healthy lifestyle.

5.1.1.1. **(Added-501CSW)** Mandatory supervised (or structured) cardiovascular workouts five days per week--three times with the unit and twice independently.

5.1.1.2. **(Added-501CSW)** Mandatory documentation of each workout on AF Form 1975, *Fitness Improvement Activity Log,* and in FitLinxx. Documentation will be reviewed monthly by the Unit PTLs and/or the squadron commander to ensure compliance.

5.1.1.3. **(Added-501CSW)** Assignment of unit PTLs who will provide support, assistance, and accountability of the individual's fitness program.

5.1.1.4. **(Added-501CSW)** Other personalized fitness consultations from the Fitness Center as required.

5.1.1.5. **(Added-501CSW)** Receiving a "Good" or "Excellent" fitness score on a monthly baseline test will allow the member to be removed from the B-FIT program, although the member will still have to score "Good" or "Excellent" on a baseline test the next month before going on to the quarterly baseline testing schedule.

5.1.2. A community-based education and awareness program addressing optimal nutrition, body composition and fitness will be evident to all members.

5.1.3. Programs for education and intervention will be available to the Reserves and ANG.

5.2. Intervention. Intervention will be provided for each member at a marginal or poor fitness level:

5.2.1. **Marginal.** Member must attend the Healthy Living Workshop (para **5.3.1.**). Members who have attended the HLW within the previous year are encouraged, but not required, to repeat the workshop.

5.2.2. **Poor.** Member must attend the Healthy Living Workshop and enroll in the Fitness Improvement Program (para **5.3.2.**). Members scoring <70 and with an abdominal circumference >40 for males or >35 for females are enrolled in the BCIP until the member scores Š70 points.

5.2.3. Members at GSUs or other locations where HAWCs are not readily accessible may receive HLW, FIP, and BCIP education and intervention through distance learning tools, electronic media, and virtual program management (e.g. teleconferences and/or video teleconferences) approved by

AFMSA/SGPP. HAWC staff at the unit's host or servicing base may oversee and accomplish the required interventions.

5.3. Programs Provided by the HAWC. The following programs are provided by the HAWC, at a minimum, to provide early intervention and assist members to improve overall fitness:

5.3.1. **Healthy Living Workshop (HLW).**

5.3.1.1. Required for all members receiving composite fitness score <75; members must attend within 10 duty days of fitness assessment.

5.3.1.2. Consists of 3 educational components—behavioral change, nutrition and exercise.

5.3.1.2.1. Behavioral change component focuses on successful strategies to ensure program success, preferably taught by a life skills provider.

5.3.1.2.2. Nutrition component focuses on nutrition education.

5.3.1.2.3. Fitness component focuses on general fitness and exercise education.

5.3.2. **Fitness Improvement Program (FIP).**

5.3.2.1. Required for all members receiving composite fitness score <70; must attend within 10 duty days of completing the HLW.

5.3.2.2. Upon entry into the FIP the FPM will provide an individualized exercise prescription to the member prior to beginning the monitored FIP. This intervention may be provided in a group setting.

5.3.2.3. Member will schedule a monthly follow-up session with the FPM until the member achieves a score >70. Monthly follow-ups can be group or individual.

5.3.2.4. Members enrolled into the FIP will exercise according to instructions provided by the FPM.

5.3.2.5. While on the FIP, the member will exercise four to five (4-5) days per week. This may be accomplished during the installation FIP training and/or the member's unit PT program.

5.3.2.6. FIP participants are required to monitor heart rate/intensity during PT.

5.3.2.7. Members must document their exercise participation on an AF Form 1975 or an electronic tracking system. This documentation is used by the FPM to modify exercise regimen as well as by the commander to ensure compliance with the exercise prescription.

5.3.2.7.1. All FIP participants must have their AF Form 1975 signed/validated by the FIP class instructor or unit fitness leader at the end of each exercise session.

5.3.2.7.2. The AF Form 1975, or electronic record, will be reviewed by the UFPM monthly to ensure participation/compliance with the prescribed fitness program.

5.3.2.8. Fitness centers will offer structured programs for members in FIP at no cost.

5.3.3. **Body Composition Improvement Program (BCIP).**

5.3.3.1. Individuals who score <70 and have an abdominal circumference >40 inches (male) or >35 inches (female) will attend the first session of BCIP (a multidisciplinary, multi-session body

composition improvement program) within 10 duty days of completing the HLW. BCIP sessions should be scheduled and attended in sequential order.

5.3.3.2. The multidisciplinary, multi-session program will include:

5.3.3.2.1. Development of an individualized plan to modify lifestyle

5.3.3.2.2. Nutrition education and counseling

5.3.3.2.3. Behavior modification

5.3.3.2.4. Self-monitoring techniques

5.3.3.2.5. Weight loss maintenance

5.3.3.2.6. Follow-up sessions; group or individual format. Member will schedule a monthly follow-up until the member achieves a composite score ≥70. Follow-ups may be accomplished by a dietitian, psychologist, or other provider in accordance with the members goals/needs and coordinated with the BCIP instructor.

5.3.3.3. The MAJCOM Consultant Dietitian must approve the BCIP and any modifications to the program.

5.3.3.4. A registered dietitian, nutritional medicine technician, or other medical staff member authorized to provide nutrition counseling IAW AFMAN 44-144, Nutritional Medicine Service, conducts the BCIP.

5.4. Fitness Review Panel

5.4.1. The UFPM should schedule a Fitness Review Panel meeting with the FPM for members in the poor category who fail to achieve a higher score at the 90 day retest.

5.4.2. The multidisciplinary panel will:

5.4.2.1. Review AF Forms 1975 and food records, as applicable. Evaluate the member's fitness program, test results and barriers to improvement.

5.4.2.2. Recommend additional intervention to assist the member in successful program outcome. Document these recommendations on AF Form 108 for the commander's signature.

5.4.2.3. Consist of the minimum necessary to achieve the requirements in para **5.4.2.1.** and **5.4.2.2.** (e.g. member, member's supervisor, fitness program manager, dietitian/diet therapist, medical provider, as needed).

5.5. Protected Health Information

5.5.1. Fitness assessment and training data, to include run times and VO2 scores, push-ups, crunches, abdominal circumference and component or composite scores do not meet the definition of protected health information (PHI) as outlined in 6025.18R, DoD Health Information Privacy Regulation.

5.5.2. Any occasion where a member interacts with a medical provider or technician for education, intervention, assessment, or treatment related to the fitness program, the information generated as a result of the interaction is PHI and must be handled IAW DoDI 6025.18R and the MTFs local procedures.

5.5.2.1. If PHI must be shared with the commander and their staff, an accounting of the release must occur as outlined in DoDI 6025.18 and as outlined in local MTF policy unless the member signs or provides written authorization to disclose the information.

Chapter 6

SPECIAL POPULATIONS

6.1. Accessions. Weight and body fat determinations (as accomplished at MEPS or other point of entry to service) remain part of accession physical standards and may also be used as entry criteria for accession training programs. Weight standards are delineated in **Table 6.1.** Procedures are delineated in DoDI 1308.3. AF entry standards are maximum screening weights for BMI of 27.5 kg/m2 (see DoDI 1308.3, Table E2.T1) and maximum body fat of 20% for males <30, 24% for males ≥30, 28% for females <30, and 32% for females ≥30. Applicants exceeding these body fat standards are disqualified for entry into the AF. Those at or below the minimum weight (BMI of 19) must undergo medical evaluation prior to consideration for acceptance.

Table 6.1. Maximum and Minimum Allowable Weights.

Represents Maximum Allowable Weights for BMI of 27.5 (regardless of age)

Height (inches)	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
Weight (pounds)	131	136	141	145	150	155	160	165	170	175	180	186	191	197	202	208	214	220	225	231	237	244	250

Represents Minimum Weights for BMI of 19.0

Height (inches)	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
Weight (pounds)	91	94	97	100	104	107	110	114	117	121	125	128	132	136	140	144	148	152	156	160	164	168	173

6.2. Students. Commanders, Superintendents, or Commandants of units such as the United States Air Force Academy, Basic Military Training, Advanced Technical Training Centers, Undergraduate Pilot and Navigator Training Centers,Basic Officer Training, Commissioned Officer Training, Reserve Officers Training Corps, Graduate Medical Education and AFIT education programs will align fitness testing standards with this instruction. A fitness assessment composite score of 75 or greater is required for AF, AFRC and ANG members to graduate from Technical Training or to obtain a commission through USAFA, ROTC, Basic Officer Training or Academy of Military Science. Students assigned to civilian institutions (e.g., AFIT) will participate in fitness assessments conducted by local ROTC detachment, where available, base of sevicing MTF (since member is not assigned to any unit on base, the HAWC will schedule member to be tested by a PT Leader on base) or other arrangements as determined by the assigned commander. Results of fitness assessments will be entered into the AF FMS by the UFPM, or designated alternate, at the unit of assignment for purposes of tracking, generating reassessment dates, metrics and reports.

6.3. Geographically Separated Units (GSUs).

6.3.1. Members will complete all components of the AF fitness test.

6.3.1.1. Members not medically cleared to run will complete the cycle ergometry assessment where available or the one-mile walk test. Instructions for the one-mile walk test are in **Attachment 10**.

6.3.1.2. The FPM at the supporting AF base will provide fitness expertise, training and education to support the GSU commander.

6.3.1.3. Medical evaluations may be accomplished at non-Air Force MTFs.

6.3.1.4. In unique circumstances (only one AF member at a location), the unit commander may authorize the unit member to be tested by a non-AF person trained by the servicing HAWC to conduct the assessment. Results of the fitness assessment will be entered in the AF FMS by a UFPM in the parent organization.

6.4. Air Reserve Component (ARC).

6.4.1. Unit PT programs will be outlined in supplements to this instruction.

6.4.2. Members will complete all components of the AF fitness test.

6.4.2.1. Process for completing medical clearance/waivers will be described in ARC instructions/supplements.

6.4.2.2. Members not medically cleared to run will complete an alternate submaximal aerobic fitness test approved by the AF/SG and outlined in ARC supplements to this instruction.

6.5. Individualized Mobilization Augmentees (IMA) and Participating Individual Ready Reservists (PIRR).

6.5.1. Assessed at least annually (as based on their fitness levels) by the unit of assignment or attachment during the member's annual tour, if possible, or during an inactive duty-training period. IMAs/PIRRs will contact the UFPM to schedule the annual assessment.

6.5.2. The unit of assignment has overall responsibility for managing the fitness program, however units of attachment may perform fitness testing, forwarding a copy of the result to the unit of assignment.

6.5.3. Members who fail to meet standards will follow procedures outlined in ARC instruction/supplement for fitness improvement and reassessment.

6.5.4. The active duty units of assignment or attachment monitor members enrolled into FIP.

6.5.5. Non-pay inactive duty training (IDT), points only, may not be used for the sole purpose of reassessment. Reassessment may be accomplished, however, during an IDT or ADT tour in addition to training.

6.5.6. DELETED.

6.5.6.1. DELETED.

6.6. Installations with Extreme Weather Conditions. Commanders may request a waiver from the MAJCOM/CV to use the cycle ergometry test in lieu of the 1.5-mile run test for extreme weather conditions (reference **A8.3.**). The waiver must specify periods unable to complete the run test safely.

Chapter 7

INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

7.1. Fitness Program Software Application

7.1. (501CSW) Fitness Program Software Application. All units will strongly encourage their military and civilian members to take advantage of the FitLinxx exercise tracking system. As a goal, military members should log 12 or more work-outs in FitLinxx each month unless precluded by illness or medical profile. Individuals who are required to be on a Fitness Improvement Program (FIP) or who are in an "At Risk" category based on their composite fitness score will be required to document their exercise participation via the FitLinxx tracking program no less than 16 times per month unless precluded by illness or medical profile.

7.1.1. The fitness program software application is housed and maintained on the AF Portal.

7.1.2. Members will access the application using permissions granted to the portal.

7.1.3. Specific privileges to enter data, view, retrieve and print reports, conduct audits, and correct data entries are granted according to roles and responsibilities for FP data management. Roles and responsibilities are defined by the functional consultants and granted by the system administrator.

7.1.4. The fitness program software application will be available to the Reserve and ANG.

7.2. Fitness Program Reporting.

7.2.1. The UFPM, or designated alternate, enters fitness assessment results for members assigned to the unit.

7.2.2. Members may access individual fitness reports directly from the AF Portal.

7.2.3. UFPMs will provide commanders with the unit status report at least monthly.

Chapter 8

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

8.1. Administrative Actions for Failure to Participate. An unexcused failure to report for a scheduled fitness appointment may be punishable as a violation of the UCMJ, including, but not limited to Articles 86, 90 or 92.

8.2. Administrative and Personnel Actions for Poor Fit Members.

8.2.1. Unit commanders should not use administrative action (LOA, LOC, LOR) for members with a poor fitness score for the first 180 days after the member received a composite score <70 solely based on the fitness assessment.

8.2.1.1. Unit commanders will take administrative action for unexcused failure to participate when an individual fails to accomplish a scheduled fitness test, fails to attend a scheduled fitness appointment, or negligently fails to maintain the required documentation of exercise while on the FIP.

8.2.2. The unit commander will take administrative action for members that have a composite score <70 for greater than 180 days and each subsequent composite fitness score <70 if the member shows no sign of significant improvement. See **Table A13.1.** for available options.

8.2.3. Failing to make satisfactory progress in the FIP does not in itself constitute a violation of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ). Unit commanders may not impose non-judicial punishment on members solely for failing to achieve a score Š70 points.

8.2.4. Commanders may review and determine personnel actions (eligibility for reenlistment, retraining, formal training, PME and promotion) for those individuals who are identified as poor fit for less than six months.

8.2.5. Commanders will review and determine personnel actions (eligibility for reenlistment, retraining, formal training, PME and promotion) for those individuals who are identified as poor fit for greater than 6 months and each subsequent test thereafter.

8.2.6. Administrative Separation. Commanders will make a discharge or retention recommendation to the Installation Commander when an individual remains in the poor fitness category for a continuous 12-month period or receives four poor fitness assessments in a 24-month period. Commanders follow procedures in AFI 36-3206, *Administrative Discharge Procedures for Commissioned Officers*, or AFI 36-3208, *Administrative Separation of Airmen*.

8.2.6.1. Reassignment of Individual Reservists: The unit of assignment/attachment commander may initiate reassignment action after the second unsatisfactory observation period. The member may be reassigned to the inactive reserve, either Non-Affiliated Reserve Section (NSRS)-NB if obligated, or NARS-NA if non-obligated. If the member does not report for mandatory 90-day body composition check, reassignment action will be initiated. Members will be reassigned according to AFI 36-2115, *Assignments within the Reserve Components*. All administrative actions must be coordinated with the MAJCOM, unit of attachment, and unit of assignment.

8.2.6.2. DELETED.

8.2.7. Failing to present a professional military image while in uniform.

8.2.7.1. Commanders must ensure members present a professional military image while in uniform. A professional military image/appearance may or may not directly relate to an individual's fitness level or weight. In these cases commanders:

8.2.7.2. May require individuals who do not present a professional military appearance (regardless of overall fitness composite score) to enter the fitness improvement program.

8.2.7.3. May schedule individuals for fitness education/ intervention.

8.2.7.4. Must specify in writing, the date an individual should complete the program and the requirements they must meet.

8.2.7.5. May extend the exercise program in writing beyond the initial period until the participant achieves a professional military appearance.

8.2.7.6. May take administrative/personnel action if the individual fails to participate or comply with the requirements set up by his/her commander.

8.2.7.7. There are no system updates for this program.

8.3. Education and Training Programs.

8.3.1. Members in all fitness categories may participate in PME and attend technical training, undegraduate and graduate education and training programs and other advanced or specialized training programs in accordance with specific course requirements and commander discretion.

8.3.1.1. Members enrolled in the Fitness Improvement Program must continue with FIP and scheduled fitness assessments while in training status.

8.3.1.2. Commanders sending members to training that exceed six weeks must send the commander or commander-equivalent a memorandum to inform of required intervention, follow-up and testing (**Attachment 14**, sample letter) at least 2 weeks prior to TDY.

8.3.1.3. The gaining commander, or commandant, at the TDY location will assume unit commander responsibilities.

8.3.2. AETCI 36-2205, Formal Aircrew Training Administration and Management governs flying training students.

8.3.3. Members that are basic military trainees are governed by 737 TRG Instruction 36-3, *Basic Military Training.*

8.3.4. AETCI 36-2216, Administration of Military Standards and Discipline Training govern members that are non prior-service airmen in technical training.

8.3.5. AFOATSI 36-2007, AFOATS Weight and Fitness Programs govern members attending initial officer accession training at Air Force Officer Accession and Training Schools (AFOATS), to include OTS and ROTC.

8.3.6. USAFAI 36-2002, Cadet Weight and Fitness Program, governs members attending the USAF Academy.

8.4. AF Form 108, Physical Fitness Education and Intervention Processing

8.4.1. The unit commander or equivalent uses the AF Form 108 to document mandatory education and intervention requirements.

8.4.1.1. The Vice Commandant of the College of Enlisted PME and NCOs assigned duty as Detachment Chief or Academy Commandant have signature authority for the AF Form 108.

8.4.2. The UFPM will initiate and annotate mandatory appointments on AF Form 108 to include date/time and location.

8.4.3. The commander and member will sign the AF Form 108 to confirm all appointments.

8.4.4. Fitness panel recommendations are annotated on the AF Form 108 and are signed by the commander.

8.4.5. The respective program facilitator signs the AF Form 108 upon completion of the HLW, FIP class/instruction or BCIP classes.

8.4.6. If a member fails to show for any assigned appointments, the HAWC/medical staff will notify the member's UFPM who, in turn, will notify the commander for appropriate action.

8.4.7. The UFPM creates an Fitness Program (FP) case file when a member scores <75 and maintains an active file for 24 months.

8.4.7.1. Maintains and files the AF Form 108, records of administrative action, and any other pertinent documents in the FP case file.

8.4.7.2. The UFPM responsible for monitoring assigned/attached reservists will maintain the FP case file.

8.4.7.3. Dispose of the FP case file IAW Air Force Records Disposition Schedule at **https://webrims.amc.af.mil**. See Table 36-12, Rule 13.

8.5. Forms Prescribed. AF Form 108, **Physical Fitness Education and Intervention Processing***;* AF Form 1975, **Personal Fitness Progress Chart.**

8.6. Forms Adopted. AF Form 422, **Physical Profile Serial Report***;* AF Form 418, **Selective Reenlistment Program Consideration***;* AF Form 1058, **Unfavorable Information File Action.**

8.7. (Added-501CSW) Civilian Employees. The 501 CSW encourages all of its civilian employees to participate in health and fitness programs. Such participation by U.K. Ministry of Defence employees will be governed by host nation rules. Excused work absences by U.S. civilian employees for participation in authorized health and fitness programs are subject to USAFE command policy.

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Attachment 1

GLOSSARY OF REFERENCES AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION

References

DoD Directive 1308.1, DoD Physical Fitness and Body Fat Program

DoD Instruction 1308.3, DoD Physical Fitness and Body Fat Program Procedures

AETCI 36-2205, Flying Training Student Administration and Management

AFPD 10-2, Readiness

AFPD 37-1, Air Force Information Management

AFI 34-266, Air Force Fitness and Sports Program

AFI 36-2501, Officer Promotions and Selective Continuation

AFI 36-2502, Airman Promotion Program

AFI 36-2110, Assignments

AFI 36-2115, Assignments within the Reserve Components

AFI 36-2626, Airman Retraining Program

AFI 36-3206, Administrative Discharge Procedures for Commissioned Officers

AFI 36-3208, Administrative Separation of Airmen

AFI 40-502, The Weight and Body Fat Management Program

AFI 48-123, Medical Examination and Standards

AFMAN 15-129, *Air and Space Weather Operations – Processes and Procedures*

AFMAN 34-137, Air Force Fitness and Sports Operations

AFMAN 36-2108, Enlisted Classification

AFMAN 37-123, Management of Records

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Abbreviations and Acronyms

3A0—Information Technology Technician

ACSM—American College of Sports Medicine

AF FMS—Air Force Fitness Management System

AFPD—Air Force Policy Directive

BCIP—Body Composition Improvement Program

BMI—Body Mass Index

FAB—Field Assistance Branch, Gunter

FAM—Fitness Assessment Monitor

FP—Fitness Program

FEP—Performance Enhancement Division, USAFSAM/FEP, Brooks AFB, TX

FIP—Fitness Improvement Program

FPM—Fitness Program Manager

HAWC—Health and Wellness Center

HLW—Healthy Living Workshop

HPD—MAJCOM Health Promotion Director

IMA—Individual Mobilization Augmentee

MEB—Medical Evaluation Board

MiLPDS—Military Personnel Data System

PIRR—Participating Individual Ready Reservist

PTL—Physical Training Leader

UFPM—Unit Fitness Program Manager

USAFSAM—United States Air Force School of Aerospace Medicine

VO_{2max}—Volume of oxygen consumed during exercise

Terms

Air Force Portal —The website available to all Air Force members that serves as a single access point to multiple databases; located at **https://www.my.af.mil**

Body Composition Improvement Program (BCIP) —An intervention program required for all poor-fit members identified with a high-risk abdominal circumference. Consists of an individualized nutrition prescription, nutrition education, behavior modification, self-monitoring, and monthly follow-up.

Body Mass Index —A calculation [weight (lbs) x 703/height^2 (in)] which takes into account weight and height to predict health risk in adults. A BMI of 19-24.9 kg/m^2 is considered a healthy range; the further the BMI from this range, the greater the risk of developing additional health problems.

Fitness Assessments —The Air Force uses the 1.5 mile run, submaximal cycle ergometry and one-mile walk test (GSUs) to provide an estimate of an individual's cardio-respiratory fitness. Push-ups and crunches are used to assess muscular fitness. Personnel must complete a personal information and health-screening questionnaire prior to the assessment. Fitness assessments are used to measure compliance with military directives to maintain consistent and regular physical-conditioning programs. Fitness standards are used to ensure a minimum level of fitness is maintained.

Fitness Assessment Monitor (FAM) —An individual who is trained and certified by the FPM to conduct cycle ergometry fitness assessments. FAMs should be a role model and advocate for fitness. This is an additional duty and not a primary AFSC.

Fitness Improvement Program (FIP) —A remedial intervention program required for all members identified with a composite poor fit score. Consists of an individualized fitness prescription, heart

rate-monitored exercise, supervised unit/fitness center PT, and documented exercise participation.

Fitness Program Manager (FPM) —A fitness expert responsible for all areas of the installation AF Fitness Program. The FPM is a resource to commanders, providers, fitness centers and individuals for briefings, consultation, and training. The FPM must meet minimum requirements described in the generic position description.

Geographically Separated Units (GSUs) —For the purposes of this AFI, a GSU is defined as a unit that is fifty miles or more from the host or main operating base that provides support. The host or main operating base is defined as the base where the member's MPF is located.

Healthy Living Workshop (HLW) —Intervention program required for all members identified at marginal to poor fit score. Consists of behavior modification, fitness and nutrition education.

Performance Enhancement Division (FEP) —Division within the USAF School of Aerospace Medicine (USAFSAM/FEP) that provides scientific and technical oversight for the FP.

Physical Training (PT) Leader —A unit member trained to lead unit PT program and oversees and administers unit fitness assessments (1.5 mile timed run, push-ups and crunches). This is an additional duty and not a primary AFSC.

Population Health Support Division (PHSD) —Office that provides consultation to FPMs on the AF Fitness Program and exercise physiology.

Unit Fitness Program Manager (UFPM) —A unit member who is responsible to the commander for the unit fitness program. Acts as a liaison between the unit commander and the FPM for matters related to the fitness program. Access to, and experience with, MILPDS is highly desirable. This is an additional duty and not a primary AFSC.

VO_{2max} —Maximum amount of oxygen consumed that is measured in milliliters per kilogram of body weight per min (ml/kg/min) used to determine aerobic capacity (or cardio-respiratory fitness).

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GLOSSARY OF REFERENCES AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION

References

AF Form 1975, *Fitness Improvement Activity Log*

Abbreviations and Acronyms

501 CSW—501st Combat Support Wing

PTLs—Unit Physical Training Leaders

B-FIT—Basic Fitness Improvement Training

Attachment 2

PHYSICAL FITNESS GUIDELINES

A2.1. Aerobic Fitness. The American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) has recommended the following guidelines for aerobic fitness enhancement.

A2.1.1. Mode of activity: Any activity that uses large muscle groups for a prolonged period and is rhythmic in nature. Examples are: running, swimming, bicycling, skating, rowing, cross-country skiing, structured aerobic class, etc.

A2.1.2. Intensity of exercise: Physical activity corresponding to a heart rate in the range of 60-90% of the age-specific maximum heart rate estimate (220 minus age), or other ACSM approved methods. For most individuals, intensities within the range of 70-85% maximum heart rate are sufficient to achieve improvement in cardiorespiratory fitness, when combined with an appropriate frequency and duration of training.

A2.1.3. Duration of exercise: 20 - 60 minutes of continuous exercise in the target heart rate zone.

A2.1.4. Frequency of exercise: minimum of three days per week to maintain current fitness level and four to five days per week is recommended to improve current fitness levels.

A2.1.5. Rate of progression: The conditioning effect will reduce the heart rate response to a given workload over time and require increase in total work done. This effect is the most pronounced during the first 6-8 weeks, especially for those with low fitness levels. Adjustments in mode, intensity, duration, and/or frequency may be necessary to reach higher levels of performance.

A2.2. Muscular Fitness. The ACSM has recommended the following guidelines for muscular fitness enhancement.

A2.2.1. Mode of activity: Activities should be rhythmic, performed at a moderate speed, involve a full range of motion, not interfere with normal breathing, and include all major muscle groups. Examples include circuit training, free weights, calisthenics, and machine weights.

A2.2.2. Intensity of exercise: Perform at least one set of each exercise to muscular fatigue. To elicit improvement in both muscular strength and endurance, recommend 8 to 12 repetitions if less than 50 years of age and 10 to 15 repetitions at lower intensity/weight for individuals over 50 years of age. Weight should be increased as training adaptations occur.

A2.2.3. Duration of exercise: Sessions lasting less than 1 hour are recommended.

A2.2.4. Frequency of exercise: 2 to 3 days per week, same muscle groups should not be worked on consecutive days.

A2.3. Flexibility. Although flexibility is not assessed during the member's fitness assessment, it is an important part of a well- balanced fitness routine. The ACSM has recommended the following guidelines for musculoskeletal flexibility.

A2.3.1. Mode of activity: A general stretching routine that exercises the major muscle and/or tendon groups using static (stretching to the point of mild discomfort and holding that position for an extended period of time) or partner assisted stretching (combines alternating relaxation and contraction of muscles).

A2.3.2. Intensity: To a position of mild discomfort.

A2.3.3. Duration of stretch: 10-30 seconds per stretch.

A2.3.4. Frequency of stretch: a minimum of 2-3 days per week.

A2.3.5. Repetitions: 3-4 for each stretch.

A2.4. Body Composition. Excess abdominal fat is an independent risk factor for disease; therefore, the evaluation of abdominal circumference is used to assess health risks associated with being overweight. There is an increased risk of chronic diseases (cardiovascular disease, high blood pressure, cancer and non-insulin dependent diabetes) for men who have an abdominal circumference > 40 inches and for women who have an abdominal circumference > 35 inches regardless of age or height. Extremely low body weights have also been associated with diseases and disorders related to malnutrition.

NOTE: The above guidelines describe minimum recommendations for a member to increase or maintain their fitness level. FPMs will determine whether adjustments in mode, intensity, duration, repetitions and/or frequency are required based on the member's exercise regimen, participant characteristics, and fitness assessment scores to improve fitness. Members who are just starting a fitness program should contact their Fitness Center or Health and Wellness Center for assistance in developing an exercise routine.

Attachment 3

SAMPLE UNIT PHYSICAL FITNESS PROGRAMS

A3.1. Ability-based training/fitness screening

A3.1.1. Commanders should establish unit programs that allow members to participate at their current fitness level and progress gradually. A safe conditioning program encourages and supports members training at their own pace.

A3.1.1.1. Consult the Fitness Program Manager (FPM) at the Health and Wellness Center to assist with development of ability-based training programs.

A3.1.2. Commanders opting to implement maximal exertion activities (e.g. practice timed assessments) should require personnel to complete a Fitness Screening Questionnaire (**Attachment 4**).

A3.2. Considerations to be made prior to beginning the unit physical fitness event:

A3.2.1. Safety/environmental conditions: see **Attachment 8** (**A8.3.**)

A3.2.2. Acclimatization: Individuals who have recently PCSd may require a 6-week period of acclimatization to local environmental conditions.

A3.2.3. Fluids/hydration: must be available during the exercise event/activity

A3.2.4. Emergencies/injuries: establish emergency procedures to include availability of a cell phone, CPR-trained members, and first aid kit

A3.2.5. Safety: reflective vests, appointment of safety monitors/cross guards, cones/signs on course

A3.2.6. Unit Physical Fitness Programs must follow guidelines as specified in para 2.0

A3.2.6.1. Individual abilities must be considered in all activities so that all members are provided a workout that is within their training range.

A3.2.7. Warm-up and cool-down periods (including stretches) must be accomplished with each unit physical fitness event.

A3.3. Ability-based Unit Physical Training (PT) Programs

A3.3.1. Ability runs. Prior to the unit exercise session, the unit is divided into groups based upon the individual member's running pace.

A3.3.1.1. A leader (capable of maintaining the assigned pace for the group) will be assigned to each group to monitor for safety/injuries of group members.

A3.3.1.2. For safety purposes, prior to the exercise session, the distance/course to be covered and/or the time in which to run will be determined and the course will be marked to alert others of group PT.

A3.3.1.3. As a variation, the unit may run together for a specified period of time (at a pace that can be achieved by all participants) and then divide into the assigned ability groups for the duration of the event.

A3.3.1.4. As members' fitness level increase, they are placed in groups of faster running pace.

A3.3.2. Last Person Running Formation

A3.3.2.1. Utilize a flat, smooth course or possibly a track.

A3.3.2.2. Members are divided into groups based on their running pace.

A3.3.2.3. Members of the group are in an evenly spaced single file.

A3.3.2.4. During the distance of the run, the last individual sprints to the beginning of the group/ line and then resumes a moderate running pace. As that individual reaches the beginning of the line, the member at the end sprints to the head of the line.

A3.3.2.5. The members in the group adjust to the running pace of the individual at the head of the line.

A3.3.3. Group Walks

A3.3.3.1. Pre-determined course/time/distance is set prior to the unit exercise.

A3.3.3.2. To increase exercise intensity, each individual will carry a weighted backpack. All individuals begin with lighter weighted packs and weight is increased as individual's fitness level increases.

A3.3.3.3. Course/distance must be determined prior to the event. Although safety is always to be considered, course may be both on and off road/flat and hilly.

A3.3.4. Par courses and circuit training

A3.3.4.1. Prior to utilizing existing par courses, discuss safety and fitness concepts of course with the FPM.

A3.3.4.2. Individual abilities must be considered by permitting members to progress through course at own speed. Those members who complete course in faster times will be encouraged to complete additional components of course a second time until all members are through the course at least once.

A3.3.4.3. Circuit training may be accomplished at base fitness facilities utilizing exercise/fitness equipment and/or at a designated outdoor area performing activities of both cardiovascular and muscular fitness.

A3.3.4.3.1. Coordinate with fitness facilities in order to conduct circuit- training sessions at time conducive to unit as well as fitness facility.

A3.3.4.3.2. Coordinate with FPM to obtain circuit-training programs appropriate to be conducted at the fitness facility or outdoor location.

A3.3.5. Utilize Fitness Facilities/Existing Fitness Programs/Classes

A3.3.5.1. Coordinate with fitness facilities for group PT exercise sessions and fitness classes.

A3.3.5.2. Individual members will complete 30-45 minutes of aerobic exercise of their choice (ex. Treadmill, rower, stair-climber, cross trainers, bicycles, swimming and spinning classes).

Attachment 4

FITNESS SCREENING QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Do you have a health condition **not** addressed in a physical profile (AF Form 422) that could be aggravated by participating in your unit's physical training program/fitness testing or that would preclude your safe participation?

   ❍ Yes — Stop here; notify your Unit Fitness Program Manager (UFPM) and contact your Primary Care Manager for evaluation.

   ❍ No — Proceed to next question.

2. Do you have any of the following?

   - Chest discomfort with exertion
   - Unusual shortness of breath
   - Dizziness, fainting, blackouts

   ❍ Yes — Stop here; notify your UFPM and contact your Primary Care Manager for evaluation.

   ❍ No — Proceed to next question.

3. Are you 35 years of age or older?

   ❍ Yes — Proceed to next question

   ❍ No — Stop here; sign form and return to your Unit Fitness Program Manager.

4. Do **two (2) or more** of the following risk factors apply to you?

   - Physically inactive; that is, you have not participated in physical activities of at least a moderate level (i.e., that caused light sweating and slight-to-moderate increases in breathing or heart rate) for at least 30 minutes per session and for a minimum of 3 days per week for at least 3 months
   - Smoked cigarettes in the last 30 days
   - Diabetes
   - High blood pressure that is not controlled
   - High cholesterol that is not controlled
   - Family history of heart disease (developed in father/brother before age 55 or mother/sister before age 65)
   - Abdominal circumference >40" for males; >35" for females
   - Age ≥ 45 years for males; ≥ 55 years for females

   ❍ Yes — Stop here; notify your UFPM and contact your Primary Care Manager for evaluation.

   ❍ No — Sign form and return to Unit Fitness Program Manager.

You must notify your UFPM and see your Primary Care Manager if you have a change in health that may affect your ability to safely participate in unit physical training.

Signature:_____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____Rank: _____

Duty Phone: _____ Office Symbol: _____

Authority: 10 USC 8013.

Routine Use: This information is not disclosed outside DoD.

Disclosure is Mandatory. Failure to provide this information may result in either administrative discharge or punishment under the UCMJ.

Attachment 5

SAMPLE MEMORANDUM FOR MEDICAL CLEARANCE

(Appropriate Letterhead)

MEMORANDUM FOR MEDICAL PROVIDER (date)

FROM: (Unit Commander, UFPM, or FPM)

SUBJECT: Medical Evaluation Appointment

Evaluate ***(rank, name)*** IAW AFI 10-2XX, *Fitness Program*, for medical clearance to undergo fitness assessment and for possible enrollment in an exercise program. Upon completion of the medical record review or medical/evaluation, complete the endorsement below.

(Signature, originating official, or designated representative)

1st Ind, (Medical Provider) (date)

TO: (Unit Commander)

I medically evaluated (rank, name) on (date).

Medical findings are as follows:

Member ***is/is not*** medically cleared for the 1.5 mile timed run.

If member ***is not*** medically cleared for the 1.5 mile timed run,
AD (non GSU): member ***is/is not*** medically cleared for the sub-maximal cycle ergometry assessment.

GSU: member ***is/is not*** medically cleared for the one-mile walk test.

ARC: member ***is/is not*** medically cleared for the 3-mile walk.

ANG: member ***is/is not*** medically cleared for the Step Test.

Member ***is/is not*** medically cleared for the push-up assessment.

Member ***is/is not*** medically cleared for the crunch assessment.

Member ***is/is not*** medically cleared for unit PT. (*Note: If member is not cleared for unit PT, member is referred to FPM for individual exercise prescription*)

NOTE: Members who are not cleared for fitness assessments or unit PT will have AF 422, Physical Profile Serial Report, attached.

Member should be scheduled for a medical reevaluation inapproximately _____weeks/months.

Member was/was not referred to the FPM for an individual exercise prescription.

(Signature/Rank/Phone Number of Provider)

Attachment 6

FITNESS ASSESSMENT PREPARATION HANDOUT

A6.1. Your level of aerobic fitness will be evaluated by a 1.5-mile timed run or the cycle ergometry test (one-mile walk test for GSUs). Your muscular fitness will be assessed through push-ups and crunches.

A6.2. The run will be performed on an approved 1.5-mile distance course. Your timed results will be used to estimate your aerobic capacity. The cycle ergometry assessment involves 8 to 14 minutes of moderate exercise on a cycle ergometer. The workload will be adjusted according to your physical capability. Before and during the test, your heart rate will be carefully recorded and your fitness level will be calculated from the combination of heart rate, workload, gender, age, weight, and height. For members assigned to GSUs and complete the one-mile walk test you will be timed as you walk a distance of one mile. Additional components, (heart rate at completion time of walk, gender, age, and body weight) will be used to calculate your predicted max VO2.

A6.3. To evaluate muscular fitness, you will perform one minute each of pushups and crunches. Due to the heart rate component used in cycle ergometry testing (and one-mile walk test), the muscular fitness component is completed following those tests/cool down. The abdominal circumference measurement and muscular fitness component must be completed within five days of the aerobic component.

A6.4. General Fitness Guidelines :

A6.4.1. Wear normal fitness attire. The shirt must not be so loose that the bend at your arm cannot be discerned during the pushup. Boots are not allowed; athletic shoes must be worn.

A6.4.2. Avoid alcohol and heavy physical activity the night before and the day of your assessment.

A6.4.3. Get a good night's sleep prior to the assessment.

A6.4.4. Warm-up at least five minutes prior to scheduled 1.5-mile timed run; warm-up time is not included in the assessment.

A6.5. Testing Guidelines :

A6.5.1. Maintain or moderate your normal lifestyle up to one hour prior to testing. At that time, cease all caffeine, tobacco and food intake. Maintain adequate fluid intake.

A6.5.2. Do not change your normal habits to such an extent that you experience withdrawal symptoms from caffeine or tobacco. However, do not overindulge in caffeine, tobacco or heavy/spicy meals.

A6.6. Cycle Ergometry and One-mile Walk Test Guidelines :

A6.6.1. If you are taking medications that influence your heart rate, you should contact your prvider prior to taking the cycle ergometry assessment (or other approved sub-maximal, heart-rate based assessment.

A6.6.2. Maintain a calm state of mind and body. Do not "pump yourself up" as in preparation for a game or athletic trial. Avoid any stimulation that could raise your heart rate. Perform the assessment with as little effort as possible. Avoid excessive emotions, especially anxiety or worry.

A6.6.3. Wear clothing that will allow a heart rate monitor to be worn next to the skin on your lower chest. (Females: Metal under-wire bras interfere with the heart rate monitor and should not be worn.) Evaluations will be as private as possible. The fitness assessment monitor may be male or female.

A6.6.4. To achieve the best score possible, you are encouraged to observing the above recommendations and arrive at your appointed time. If you fail to follow these recommendations, the assessment will still be performed as scheduled.

Attachment 7

BODY COMPOSITION ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

A7.1. Height Assessment

A7.1.1. Measurement will be taken in unit CSS in conjunction with weight assessment and abdominal circumference measurements.

A7.1.2. Measurement will be taken with member in any uniform or standard physical training uniform or gym clothing. Shoes will not be worn.

A7.1.3. Member will stand on a flat surface with the head held horizontal looking directly forward, with the line of vision horizontal, and the chin parallel to the floor. The body should be straight, but not rigid, similar to the body position when at attention.

A7.1.4. Measurement will be recorded to the nearest inch. If the height fraction is less than ½ inch, round down to the nearest inch. If the height fraction is ½ inch or greater, round up to the nearest inch.

A7.2. Weight Assessment .

A7.2.1. The measurement will be made on a calibrated scale in the unit CSS and recorded to the nearest pound with the following guidelines.

A7.2.2. Measurement will be taken with member in any uniform or standard physical training uniform or gym clothing. Shoes will not be worn.

A7.2.3. If the weight fraction is less than ½ pound, round down to the nearest pound.

A7.2.4. If the weight fraction is ½ pound or greater, round up to the nearest pound.

A7.2.5. Two pounds will be subtracted for clothing worn during official fitness assessment.

A7.3. Abdominal Circumference Assessment.

A7.3.1. The abdominal circumference will be taken in a private room or in a partitioned area.

A7.3.2. Individuals conducting circumferential measurements are of the same gender as the member being taped and are certified by the FPM as an official taper.

A7.3.3. A seamstress tape measure will be used for the abdominal circumference.

A7.3.4. Member stands looking straight ahead, arms down to sides.

A7.3.5. Examiner is positioned at right side of the member.

A7.3.6. Measurement is taken on bare skin; examiner feels to locate the upper hipbone and top of the right iliac crest.

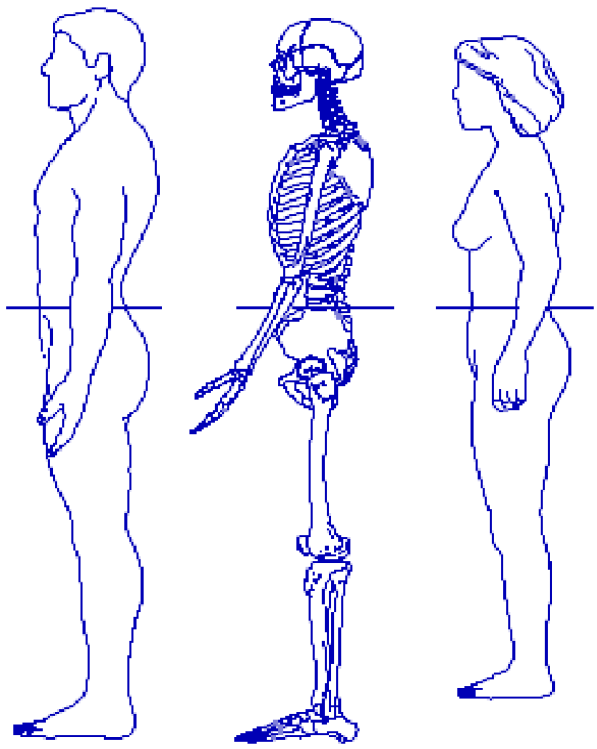
A7.3.7. A horizontal landmark is located just above the uppermost border of the right iliac crest.

A7.3.8. The tape is placed in a horizontal plane around the abdomen at the level of this landmark. Examiner ensures that the plane of the tape is parallel to the floor and that the tape is snug, but does not compress the skin. Measurement is taken at the end of a normal respiration.

A7.3.9. Take the circumference measure three times and record each measurement to the nearest ½ inch. If any of the measures differ by more than one inch from the other two, take an additional measurement. Add the three closest measurements, divide by 3, and round down to the nearest ½ inch. Record this value as the abdominal circumference measure.

A7.3.10. DELETED

Figure A7.1. Measuring Tape Position for Abdominal Circumference.



A7.4. Body Mass Index Calculation

A7.4.1. Body Mass Index can be calculated using pounds and inches with this equation

$$\text{BMI (kg/m}^2) = \left(\frac{\text{Weight in Pounds}}{(\text{Height in inches}) \times (\text{Height in inches})} \right) \times 703$$

A7.4.2. For example, a person who weighs 220 pounds and is 6 feet 3 inches tall has a BMI of 27.5.

$$\text{BMI (kg/m}^2) = \left(\frac{220}{(75 \times 75)} \right) \times 703 = 27.5 \text{ kg/m}^2$$

Attachment 8

1.5 MILE RUN TESTING PROCEDURES

A8.1. Prior to the 1.5 mile timed run test:

A8.1.1. Member must complete the Fitness Screening Questionnaire within 30 duty days prior to their scheduled fitness test..

A8.1.2. PT Leaders ensure availability of fitness test equipment (e.g., stopwatch, pen/pencil, notepad, optional exercise mat that is no more than 1 inch thick, standard template scorecards, and bibs).

A8.1.3. PT Leaders ensure a scorecard is available for each member.

A8.1.4. Members must wear proper fitness attire/shoes for testing and must warm-up/stretch prior to completing the test.

A8.1.5. Members are instructed to stop at any time if feeling chest pain, shortness of breath, or dizzy.

A8.1.6. If testing a large number of members, the PT Leader may consider using identifying numbers (i.e., running bibs).

A8.1.7. Unit Physical Training (PT) Leader will provide directions for and monitoring of the muscular fitness testing components IAW Para **4.3.4.** and **Attachment 10**.

A8.2. Course Requirements for 1.5 mile timed run (2640 yards).

A8.2.1. Establish a standardized course of accurate distance that is as level and even as possible.

A8.2.1.1. Large oval track of determined distance such as 440 yards times six (6) laps; or 6 laps on a 400-meter track plus an additional 46 feet. Indoor track may be utilized during inclement weather; treadmill testing is not authorized.

A8.2.1.2. Course should have limited exposure to traffic, should not have a continuous incline/decline or rolling hills; slopes exceeding three degrees should be avoided.

A8.2.1.3. Clearly mark the start and finish lines (and half-way point for road courses).

A8.2.2. Consult with HAWC staff to determine maximum number of individuals that should be tested at one time for safety of runners and to obtain accurate score.

A8.2.3. Trained personnel will be present to monitor participants (keeping all members in constant view), to count laps if required, and to record run times

A8.2.4. The Wing Commander must approve the 1.5-mile run-testing course with input from the FPM.

A8.3. Course Safety/environmental conditions to be evaluated prior to testing to determine if testing can be completed

A8.3.1. Heat: Wet Bulb Globe Temperature < 85° F

A8.3.2. Sun: UV index < 10 (very high risk)

A8.3.3. Cold: Temperature > 20° F

A8.3.4. Wind: Wind speed < 20 mph

A8.3.5. Lightening: No lightening within 25 miles and wait at least 30 minutes after the last observed lightening.

A8.3.6. Rain: No significant rain (accumulation < .5 inch/hour). If testing on a wet day (rain, mist or heavy dew) the temperature must be > 50° F

A8.3.7. Hail: No hail forecast or reported within 25 miles

A8.3.8. Snow: No snow accumulation on the running surface

A8.3.9. Ice: No ice on running surface that cannot be easily avoided

A8.3.10. Water: No standing water on running surface that cannot be easily avoided

A8.3.11. Mud: No mud on running surface that cannot be easily avoided

A8.3.12. Insects: Insect repellent required if biting insects are prominent

A8.3.13. Intersections: Crossing guards with reflective safety vests/lights, must be positioned at all active intersections

A8.3.14. Visibility: Visibility must be greater than ¾ mile if crossing or running beside vehicular traffic

A8.3.15. Light: Reflective belts/vests are required if running near traffic from 1 hour before sunset to 1 hour after sunrise.

A8.3.16. Wild animals: Consider ways to prevent contact with wild animals (rattlesnake, dog, bear, moose) in your area

A8.3.17. Shelter: Establish a safe shelter procedure if there is any storm threat

A8.3.18. Medical: Establish a method of communication/access for emergency medical services (e.g., cell phone to call 911)

A8.4. Verbal instructions for the Timed 1.5-mile run

Script is to be read to member prior to beginning the 1.5-mile run.

The 1.5 mile timed run is an aerobic fitness test used to predict your VO2 max.

You will be directed to line up behind the starting line and instructed to begin running as the monitor starts the stopwatch.

No physical assistance from anyone or anything is permitted, however pacing is permitted if there is no physical contact and is not a hindrance to other runners.

You are required to stay on the course and complete the entire marked course. Leaving the course is disqualifying.

If at any time you are feeling of poor health, you are to stop running immediately and you will be given assistance.

Your completion time will be recorded when you cross the finish line.

At completion of the timed run, you must complete a cool down for approximately 5 minutes.

Results of your timed run will be entered into a fitness database.

Attachment 9

CYCLE ERGOMETRY ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

A9.1. Computer Initiation . Begin operating the program software by double-clicking the fitness program icon. On the LOGIN screen, type in your *USER NAME* and *Password*.

A9.2. Assessment Initiation . The FAM will physically check the military ID card of the member and ensure that all assessment forms are complete. The FAM will explain what is being assessed and how the assessment works. Assessment apprehension can be reduced if a little time is taken to explain the assessment to each member.

A9.3. Initial Data Entry . Using the members ID card, enter the social security number in the box that appears. Check the information that is displayed in the next window and make any needed changes. (Note: Name and rank cannot be changed.) If the member is not in the database the member can be added to the database by clicking on the *Add* button. Verify the SSN and choose *OK*. Enter the member's appropriate information; proceed by clicking the *Continue Assessment* button.

A9.4. Height and Weight Input. Physically measure the height and weight of each member before each assessment. Instruct member to remove shoes before height and weight is obtained. Subtract two pounds for workout attire. Record the height and weight in the information block of the assessment software.

A9.5. Assessment Briefing. Inform the member that the assessment will consist of a two-minute warm-up, a 6-12 minute assessment, and a cool-down, which involve getting the heart rate below 120 beats per minute. If, at any time, the member feels a definite need to stop, you MUST terminate the assessment and implement the cool-down.

A9.6. Chest Strap/Transmitter Application . Demonstrate proper application of the chest strap and transmitter.

A9.6.1. Female: Explain to the member that she needs to secure the elastic strap on the chest transmitter so that it fits snugly below the bottom of the bra. Allow her to attach the transmitter in privacy. (Metal under wire bras may *not* be worn during the assessment because it will interfere with the heart rate signal. If the female cannot change into an acceptable bra, inform the UFPM to reschedule her assessment.)

A9.6.2. Male: Explain to the member that he must attach the chest strap and transmitter snugly at the bottom of the pectoral muscles. Allow him to attach the transmitter in private if he wishes.

A9.7. Seat Adjustment . To ensure the seat height is correct, have the member stand next to the saddle. Set the seat at a level even with the member's hip. Adjust the seat height is by unscrewing the saddle post bolt and moving the seat height. After the initial adjustment, instruct the member to sit on the saddle without using the frame or pedals as a step and place his/her heel in the middle of the pedal, in the six o'clock position. The leg should be straight in this position. Adjust the seat height until this position is achieved. If the leg is straight, instruct the member to move their foot back so the ball of the foot is in the middle of the pedal, in the six o'clock position. The knee should have a slight bend. Have the member slowly pedal

backward. The motion should be smooth and the hips should not rotate. This technique will assure both the FAM and the member that the seat height is in the correct position.

A9.8. Heart Rate (HR) signal. Have the member sit quietly on the bike. If the ergometer is equipped with a HR receiver box the HR will be displayed on the computer monitor. If a consistent heart rate is not received, re-wet the electrodes on the strap, or ensure that the HR transmitter strap is within three feet of the HR receiver to assure a good signal.

A9.9. Handlebar Adjustment . With the member seated on the cycle, determine if the handlebars require adjustment. The member must keep both hands loosely on the handlebars and must ride in an upright position for the entire evaluation. Adjust the handlebars by turning the handlebar adjustment lever. The handlebars will be placed in a position that allows the member to pedal with the torso in an upright position without slumping or leaning forward.

A9.10. Cycle Calibration . Calibrate the cycle. Instruct the member to remain seated on the cycle with both legs hanging freely from the pedals, the frame and the floor. Ensure that the cycle is calibrated by observing that the center point of the pendulum is aligned at "0." If calibration is necessary, initiate the calibration by relieving the belt tension and turning the load adjustment wheel counterclockwise until the pendulum weight hangs freely and the tension belt is loose. Align the index line on the pendulum weight with the zero (0) mark in the meter board. This alignment is accomplished by loosening the wing nut, which locks the adjustment screw. Adjust the screw and the meter board until the "0" on the meter board is aligned with the red mark on the pendulum weight. After ensuring the alignment is correct, tighten the wing nut, ensuring that the meter board did not move. This procedure will be repeated as many times as is necessary to correctly calibrate the cycle. Calibrate the cycle before the beginning of each evaluation. If automatic workload ergometers are being used, the FAM does not need to calibrate prior to each assessment.

A9.11. Enter Seat Data and Answer Questionnaire . During this rest period, return to the computer and enter the seat height in the appropriate block and click the *Continue Assessment* button. Complete the questionnaire that follows these entries, using the member's responses, and then click the Continue Assessment button to proceed.

A9.12. Enter Heart Rate. If the ergometer has a HR receiver box connected to the computer, the HR will be entered automatically. **Note:** If the heart rate is higher than 110 beats per minute, you must have FPM approval to continue the test. If you do not have PCM approval, do not assess the member at this time, rather coordinate with the UFPM to re-schedule the member to be re-assessed within one week. If the starting heart rate during re-assessment again exceeds 110 beats per minute, contact the UFPM/FPM.

A9.13. Pedaling Initiation . With the friction belt on the cycle still in the relaxed position, instruct the member to start pedaling at 50 revolutions per minute. Member should watch the RPM box on the screen and maintain 50 rpm. If automatic workload adjustment ergometers are used the member does not need to maintain 50 rpm.

A9.14. Initial Workload Adjustment . The computer will prompt the FAM to adjust the workload. As the member pedals, slowly turn the load adjustment knob until the red line on the pendulum is aligned with the correct warm-up workload. The load may drift as the belt and flywheel become warm, so, fre-

quently check the workload and make adjustments to maintain the exact workload required for each minute of the assessment. After the two-minute warm-up is completed, the computer may prompt for an increase in workload. Turn the load adjustment knob until the red line on the pendulum is aligned with the correct workload. If automatic workload ergometers are being used, the FAM does not need to adjust workload at any time.

A9.15. Heart Rate Data . Heart rate data will be entered automatically at the end of each minute if using the HR receiver box. NOTE: Each member cannot exceed the maximum HR when performing the cycle ergometry assessment. This heart rate is indicated on the computer monitor throughout the assessment. If the member exceeds this heart rate, the assessment will stop. When the heart rate drops below 120 beats per minute, terminate the assessment and contact the UFPM to re-schedule the member at a later date

A9.16. Equipment Observation. Monitor the heart rate, RPMs, and workload. Workload changes must be performed within five seconds.

A9.17. Member Observation . Observe the member constantly for signs of distress, instructing the member to alert you if he or she experiences cramping, dizziness or nausea, pain in the chest, jaw, shoulder, or arm, or any discomfort. If any of these conditions occur, *STOP* the assessment and go into the cool-down process. *CONTACT THE FPM*. The FPM must refer the member to the clinic for a physician's clearance before a re-assessment can be given. The FPM may request that the member hand carry the computer form, containing the failed assessment information, to the PCM.

A9.18. Workload Adjustment . At the end of minute 3, 5, and 7 the computer will determine if the workload needs to be adjusted. If so, change the workload within 5 seconds and then click the *OK* button. Depending on if and when workload changes are made the test will run for 8-14 minutes.

A9.19. Monitor Member . Continue to follow the computer's instructions. When the assessment is completed, reduce the workload to 0.5 Kp as directed by the computer and initiate the cool-down process. The member must remain on the cycle until his/her heart rate is below 120 beats per minute.

A9.20. Print Assessment . When the assessment is finished, print the individual assessment report for the member to hand-carry to the UFPM. Inform the member if they have an invalid and need to reassess.

A9.21. Assessment Completion. Instruct the member to remove and wash the transmitter in the disinfectant/soapy water pail, rinse it in the clear water pail and dry it with the towel provided.

A9.22. Cycle Clean up . To aid in ensuring the reliability of the cycle, wipe the cycle down daily with a towel dampened in soapy/disinfectant water.

Attachment 10

ONE-MILE WALKING TEST INSTRUCTIONS

A10.1. Considerations prior to the One-mile Walk Test

A10.1.1. Members completing the test must wear proper fitness attire and fitness shoes

A10.1.2. Members must warm-up and stretch prior to completing the test

A10.1.3. Members must complete the Fitness Screening Questionnaire within 30 duty days prior to their fitness test

A10.1.4. Course safety/environmental conditions as described in **Attachment 8** (**A8.3.**) to be evaluated

A10.1.5. Unit Physical Training (PT) leader will give instructions on administering and monitoring of the muscular fitness testing components. Muscular fitness testing is completed after the one-mile walk test/5minute cool-down if done on same day (must be completed within 5 days).

A10.2. Requirements for administering the One-mile Walking Test

A10.2.1. A measured one mile flat, uninterrupted course (preferably a ¼-mile track) approved by the wing commander

A10.2.2. Sufficient trained personnel must be present to be able to monitor members at all times, to record laps if necessary and to record walk completion times and heart rates.

A10.2.3. Additional equipment requirements include polar heart monitors for each member testing, timers, notepads, score cards, pens/pencils, optional exercise mats that are no more than 1 (one) inch thick

A10.3. Calculating results of the One-mile Walking Test

A10.3.1. A VO_{2max} score can be calculated by the following equation:

A10.3.1.1. Females: VO2 = 132.853 - (0.388 x age in years) - (0.077 x weight in lb.) - (3.265 x walk time in minutes, to nearest hundredth) - (0.157 x heart rate)

A10.3.1.2. Males: VO2 = 132.853 - (0.388 x age in years) - (0.077 x weight in lb.) - (3.265 x walk time in minutes, to nearest hundredth) - (0.157 x heart rate) + 6.318

A10.4. Verbal Instructions for the One-mile Walking Test

Script is to be read to member prior to beginning the One-mile Walking Test.

The one-mile walk test is a sub-maximal aerobic fitness test that predicts your VO_2 max.

You will place a polar heart rate monitor around your chest and activate the watch provided. Then you must complete a warm-up and stretching period.

You will walk a distance of one mile.

You will be instructed to begin walking when the monitor starts the timer. You are to walk the mile course (4 laps if using a ¼ mile track) as quickly as possible. The accuracy of your score relies on you giving

your best effort. At the completion of your walk the monitor will immediately record your time and pulse rate shown on the polar heart rate monitor.

Following completion of your assessment you must complete a cool-down of a slower walk of approximately 5 minutes or 2 additional laps (if test completed at a track).

If at any time during your assessment you are feeling short of breath, chest pain or of poor health, you must stop walking immediately and assistance will be given to you.

Attachment 11

STRENGTH ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

A11.1. Push-up Assessment Procedures

A11.1.1. **Purpose:** The push-up is one assessment used to assess the member's upper body muscular fitness.

A11.1.2. **Assessment Duration:** The member will have one minute to complete as many push-ups as possible.

A11.1.3. **Assessment Explanation:** The crunch instructions (as found below) will be read to the member prior to the assessment. It is recommended that the member stretch out the hip flexors and abdominals prior to beginning the assessment.

A11.1.4. **Starting Position:** The member will begin in the starting position, with arms fully extended and the body in a straight line from head to heel. The feet may be no more than 12 inches apart. The member's hands and toes must remain on the floor/mat during the entire assessment. The body should maintain a rigid form from head to heel (the body may not bow unless resting in the up position). The member may rest in the up position only. The feet may not be supported or braced.

A11.1.5. **Complete Push-up:** From the starting position (elbows extended), the member will lower the body to the ground until the upper arm is at least parallel to the floor (elbow bent at least 90 degrees) before pushing back up to the starting position (the chest may touch the floor). If the member does not come down far enough, the push-up does not count. The member completes one full push-up after returning to the starting position. It is important to monitor the member's form and make sure the body does not bow at the waist as the member tires. The body must remain rigid during the assessment (the back must remain straight unless resting).

A11.1.6. **Stopwatch:** The unit PT Leader is responsible for operating the stopwatch. The PT Leader will start the stopwatch when the member(s) is/are instructed to begin, observe the test and notify the member how much time is remaining at 30 seconds and 15 seconds. Prior to beginning the assessment the PT Leader will inform the members to continue to perform push-ups until directed to stop or until the member is no longer able to continue.

A11.1.7. **Counting/Monitoring:** Count the correct number of push-ups out loud, monitor the member for correct form and repeat the number of the last correct push-up if the member breaks correct form (*e.g.,* one, two, three, three, four, etc.). In addition to repeating the last correct number, give the member instruction on what is wrong. Monitor the member from a position that allows observance of the member's form and the elbow joint.

A11.1.8. **Completion/Recording:** Upon completion of the assessment, record the total amount of correct push-ups.

A11.1.9. **Push-Up Verbal Instructions:**

The push-up is one assessment of muscular fitness for the upper body (shoulder, chest, and triceps).

Your hands will be placed on the floor, slightly wider than shoulder width apart, with your fingers pointing forward. You must lower your upper body until your upper arm is at least

parallel to the floor (elbows bent at 90 degrees) before pushing back up to the starting position. If you do not come down that far the push-up will not count.

Start in the up position with your elbows fully extended, feet no more than 12 inches apart, and your weight supported by your arms and toes. You must keep your back straight at all times and lower your upper body until your upper arm is at least parallel to the floor, then return to the up position (arms fully extended). This is one repetition.

Keep your hands and feet on the floor if you need to rest. Any resting must be done in the **UP** position.

Your breathing should be as normal as possible. Make sure you do not hold your breath. It is recommended that you exhale every time you press up and inhale when you come down.

You have **one minute** to perform as many push-ups as you are able. The **correct** number of push-ups will be counted out loud. Incorrect push-ups will not be counted, and the number of the last correct push-up will be repeated. You will be told what you're doing wrong until you correct the error. The total number of correct push-ups in one minute is recorded as your score.

A11.1.10. **Crunch Assessment Procedures**

A11.1.11. **Purpose:** The crunch test is one assessment used to assess a member's abdominal muscular fitness.

A11.1.12. **Assessment Duration:** The member will have one minute to complete as many crunches as possible.

A11.1.13. **Assessment Explanation:** The crunch instructions (as found below) will be read to the member prior to the assessment. It is recommended that the member stretch out the hip flexors and abdominals prior to beginning the assessment.

A11.1.14. **Starting Position:** The use of a mat is optional. The member will be instructed to lie face up on the floor/mat. In the starting position, the member's feet may partially extend off the mat, but the buttocks, shoulders, and head must remain on the mat. The member's knees will be bent at a 90º angle, with the feet/heels in contact with the floor at all times. The heels and buttocks must remain on the floor/mat during the entire assessment. The member's arms will be crossed over the chest with the hands at the shoulders or resting on the upper chest.

A11.1.15. **Foot Hold: The member's heels must remain anchored to the floor throughout the assessment.** The member may request to have their feet helddown with the hands or by putting knees on feet but the monitor may not anchor the member's legs by holding onto the calves during the assessment. Enough force must be applied to keep the feet/ankles from rising while the crunches are being accomplished. In place of a monitor holding the feet, an anchored toe hold bar may be used to anchor the feet so long as the member's heels remain in contact with the ground at all times and the bar cannot move.

A11.1.16. **Complete Crunch:** A complete crunch is accomplished when the upper torso of the member is raised off the floor/mat, the elbows touch the knees or thighs, and the upper torso is lowered back to the floor/mat until the shoulder blades touch the floor/mat. **Elbows must touch the knees or**

thighs at the top of the crunch, and the shoulder blades must touch the floor/mat at the bottom of the crunch. The hands must stay in contact with the shoulders/upper chest at all times. The member may only rest in the up position. If the member rests in the down position, the test will be terminated.

A11.1.17. **Stopwatch:** The unit PT Leader is responsible for operating the stopwatch. The PT Leader will start the stopwatch when the member(s) is/are instructed to begin, observe the test and notify the member how much time is remaining at 30 seconds and 15 seconds. Prior to beginning the assessment the PT Leader will inform the members to continue to perform crunches until directed to stop or until the member is no longer able to continue.

A11.1.18. **Counting/Monitoring:** Count the correct number of crunches out loud, monitor the member for correct form and repeat the number of the last correct crunch if the member breaks correct form (*e.g.,* one, two, three, <u>three</u>, four, etc.). In addition to repeating the last correct number, give the member instruction on what is wrong (e.g., you're not going down far enough, keep your back straight, etc.). Monitor the member from a position that allows observance to ensure the shoulder blades touch the floor and the elbows touch the knees.

A11.1.19. **Completion/Recording** : Upon completion of the assessment, record the total amount of correct crunches.

A11.1.20. **Crunch Verbal Instructions** : To be read to the member <u>during</u> the rest period

This test measures your abdominal muscular endurance (stomach muscles).

Please lie on your back with your heels flat on the floor, knees bent at 90° angles, and your arms *crossed* in front of the chest such that your hands/fingers remain in contact with your shoulders or chest. **If a toe hold bar is used**: Anchor your feet to the ground by hooking your feet/toes under the bar. Your heels may not rise off the ground while you perform the assessment.

If a toe hold bar is NOT used: Your feet will be held down with your monitor's hands. Your legs cannot be held behind your calves. Let your monitor know if you need your feet held differently prior to beginning the assessment (*e.g.,* You're holding my ankles/feet too tight or not enough).

(Read these instructions when the members are ready to test).

Your hips must remain on the floor at all times (do not lift your hips off the floor to gain momentum). Your shoulder blades **must** touch the floor between each repetition. In the up position, you will touch your elbows to your knees or upper thigh and then return down until your shoulder blades touch the floor (your hands may not lose contact with your shoulders/chest at any time). This will count as one crunch.

Your breathing should be as normal as possible. Make sure you do not hold your breath. It is recommended that you exhale every time you come up and inhale when you come down.

You have **one minute** to perform as many **correct** crunches as possible. ***Any resting must be done in the <u>UP</u> position***. The **correct** number of crunches will be counted out loud. **Incorrect** crunches **will**

not be counted and the number of last correct crunch will be repeated and you will be told what you're doing wrong until you correct the error. Your score will be the total number of correct crunches completed in one minute.

Attachment 12

FITNESS ASSESSMENT SCORE CHARTS

Males Under 25

Aerobic Fitness		
1.5-Mile Run Time (min.)	Bike Test (VO_2)	Component Points
≤9:36	≥54	50.00
9:37-9:48	53	47.50
9:49-10:12	51-52	45.00
10:13-10:36	49-50	43.50
10:37-11:06	47-48	42.00
11:07-11:36	45-46	40.50
11:37-12:12	43-44	39.00
12:13-12:54	41-42	37.50
12:55-13:36	39-40	36.00
13:37-14:24	37-38	34.00
14:25-14:54	36	32.00
14:55-15:18	35	30.00
15:19-15:48	34	27.00
15:49-16:24	33	24.00
16:25-16:54	32	21.00
16:55-17:36	31	18.00
17:37-18:12	30	15.00
18:13-18:54	29	12.00
18:55-19:42	28	9.00
19:43-20:36	27	6.00
20:37-21:30	26	3.00
>21:30	<26	0.00

Body Composition	
Abdominal Circumference (inches)	Component Points
<32.5	30.00
32.50	28.75
33.00	27.50
33.50	26.25
34.00	25.00
34.50	23.75
35.00	22.50
35.50	22.35
36.00	22.20
36.50	22.05
37.00	21.90
37.50	21.75
38.00	21.60
38.50	21.45
39.00	21.30
39.50	21.25
40.00	21.00
40.50	18.00
41.00	15.00
41.50	12.00
42.00	9.00
42.50	6.00
43.00	3.00
>43.00	0.00

Muscle Fitness			
1 minute Push-up (# Reps)	Component Points	1 minute Crunch (# Reps)	Component Points
≥62	10.00	≥55	10.00
61	9.75	53-54	9.50
60	9.50	52	9.00
59	9.25	50-51	8.75
57-58	9.00	48-49	8.50
52-56	8.75	46-47	8.25
49-51	8.50	44-45	8.00
45-48	8.25	42-43	7.75
41-44	8.00	40-41	7.50
37-40	7.75	38-39	7.40
33-36	7.50	36-37	7.30
30-32	7.40	35	7.20
27-29	7.30	33-34	7.10
24-26	7.20	32	7.00
21-23	7.10	30-31	6.00
19-20	7.00	28-29	4.00
17-18	6.00	27	2.00
15-16	5.00	<27	0.00
14	4.00		
12-13	3.00		
10-11	2.00		
8-9	1.00		
<8	0.00		

Males 25-29

Aerobic Fitness		
1.5-Mile Run Time (min.)	Bike Test (VO_2)	Component Points
≤9:36	≥54	50.00
9:37-9:48	53	47.50
9:49-10:12	51-52	45.00
10:13-10:36	49-50	43.50
10:37-11:06	47-48	42.00
11:07-11:36	45-46	40.50
11:37-12:12	43-44	39.00
12:13-12:54	41-42	37.50
12:55-13:36	39-40	36.00
13:37-14:24	37-38	34.00
14:25-14:54	36	32.00
14:55-15:18	35	30.00
15:19-15:48	34	27.00
15:49-16:24	33	24.00
16:25-16:54	32	21.00
16:55-17:36	31	18.00
17:37-18:12	30	15.00
18:13-18:54	29	12.00
18:55-19:42	28	9.00
19:43-20:36	27	6.00
20:37-21:30	26	3.00
>21:30	<26	0.00

Body Composition	
Abdominal Circumference (inches)	Component Points
<32.5	30.00
32.50	28.75
33.00	27.50
33.50	26.25
34.00	25.00
34.50	23.75
35.00	22.50
35.50	22.35
36.00	22.20
36.50	22.05
37.00	21.90
37.50	21.75
38.00	21.60
38.50	21.45
39.00	21.30
39.50	21.25
40.00	21.00
40.50	18.00
41.00	15.00
41.50	12.00
42.00	9.00
42.50	6.00
43.00	3.00
>43.00	0.00

Muscle Fitness			
1 minute Push-up (# Reps)	Component Points	1 minute Crunch (# Reps)	Component Points
≥57	10.00	≥53	10.00
56	9.75	51-52	9.50
55	9.50	50	9.00
54	9.25	48-49	8.75
52-53	9.00	46-47	8.50
48-51	8.75	44-45	8.25
45-47	8.50	42-43	8.00
41-44	8.25	40-41	7.75
37-40	8.00	38-39	7.50
34-36	7.75	36-37	7.40
30-33	7.50	34-35	7.30
27-29	7.40	33	7.20
25-26	7.30	31-32	7.10
23-24	7.20	30	7.00
20-22	7.10	28-29	6.00
17-19	7.00	27	4.00
15-16	6.00	25-26	2.00
13-14	5.00	<25	0.00
11-12	4.00		
10	3.00		
9	2.00		
7-8	1.00		
<7	0.00		

Males 30-34

Aerobic Fitness			Body Composition		Muscle Fitness			
1.5-Mile Run Time (min.)	Bike Test (VO_2)	Component Points	Abdominal Circumference (inches)	Component Points	1 minute Push-up (# Reps)	Component Points	1 minute Crunch (# Reps)	Component Points
≤9:48	≥53	50.00	<32.5	30.00	≥52	10.00	≥51	10.00
9:49-10:12	51-52	47.50	32.50	28.75	50-51	9.75	49-50	9.50
10:13-10:24	50	45.00	33.00	27.50	49	9.50	48	9.00
10:25-10:54	48-49	43.50	33.50	26.25	48	9.25	46-47	8.75
10:55-11:24	46-47	42.00	34.00	25.00	46-47	9.00	44-45	8.50
11:25-11:54	44-45	40.50	34.50	23.75	43-45	8.75	42-43	8.25
11:55-12:30	42-43	39.00	35.00	22.50	40-42	8.50	40-41	8.00
12:31-12:54	41	37.50	35.50	22.35	36-39	8.25	38-39	7.75
12:55-13:36	39-40	36.00	36.00	22.20	33-35	8.00	36-37	7.50
13:37-14:24	37-38	34.00	36.50	22.05	30-32	7.75	34-35	7.40
14:25-14:54	36	32.00	37.00	21.90	27-29	7.50	33	7.30
14:55-15:18	35	30.00	37.50	21.75	24-26	7.40	31-32	7.20
15:19-15:48	34	27.00	38.00	21.60	22-23	7.30	30	7.10
15:49-16:24	33	24.00	38.50	21.45	20-21	7.20	28-29	7.00
16:25-16:54	32	21.00	39.00	21.30	17-19	7.10	26-27	6.00
16:55-17:36	31	18.00	39.50	21.25	15-16	7.00	25	4.00
17:37-18:12	30	15.00	40.00	21.00	13-14	6.00	23-24	2.00
18:13-18:54	29	12.00	40.50	18.00	12	5.00	<23	0.00
18:55-19:42	28	9.00	41.00	15.00	10-11	4.00		
19:43-20:36	27	6.00	41.50	12.00	8-9	3.00		
20:37-21:30	26	3.00	42.00	9.00	7	2.00		
>21:30	<26	0.00	42.50	6.00	5-6	1.00		
			43.00	3.00	<5	0.00		
			>43.00	0.00				

Males 35-39

Aerobic Fitness			Body Composition		Muscle Fitness			
1.5-Mile Run Time (min.)	Bike Test (VO_2)	Component Points	Abdominal Circumference (inches)	Component Points	1 minute Push-up (# Reps)	Component Points	1 minute Crunch (# Reps)	Component Points
≤9:48	≥53	50.00	<32.5	30.00	≥46	10.00	≥49	10.00
9:49-10:12	51-52	47.50	32.50	28.75	45	9.75	47-48	9.50
10:13-10:24	50	45.00	33.00	27.50	44	9.50	46	9.00
10:25-10:54	48-49	43.50	33.50	26.25	42-43	9.25	44-45	8.75
10:55-11:24	46-47	42.00	34.00	25.00	41	9.00	42-43	8.50
11:25-11:54	44-45	40.50	34.50	23.75	38-40	8.75	40-41	8.25
11:55-12:30	42-43	39.00	35.00	22.50	35-37	8.50	38-39	8.00
12:31-12:54	41	37.50	35.50	22.35	32-34	8.25	36-37	7.75
12:55-13:36	39-40	36.00	36.00	22.20	30-31	8.00	34-35	7.50
13:37-14:24	37-38	34.00	36.50	22.05	27-29	7.75	32-33	7.40
14:25-14:54	36	32.00	37.00	21.90	24-26	7.50	30-31	7.30
14:55-15:18	35	30.00	37.50	21.75	21-23	7.40	29	7.20
15:19-15:48	34	27.00	38.00	21.60	19-20	7.30	27-28	7.10
15:49-16:24	33	24.00	38.50	21.45	17-18	7.20	25-26	7.00
16:25-16:54	32	21.00	39.00	21.30	15-16	7.10	23-24	6.00
16:55-17:36	31	18.00	39.50	21.25	13-14	7.00	22	4.00
17:37-18:12	30	15.00	40.00	21.00	11-12	6.00	20-21	2.00
18:13-18:54	29	12.00	40.50	18.00	9-10	5.00	<20	0.00
18:55-19:42	28	9.00	41.00	15.00	8	4.00		
19:43-20:36	27	6.00	41.50	12.00	6-7	3.00		
20:37-21:30	26	3.00	42.00	9.00	5	2.00		
>21:30	<26	0.00	42.50	6.00	3-4	1.00		
			43.00	3.00	<3	0.00		
			>43.00	0.00				

Males 40-44

Aerobic Fitness			Body Composition		Muscle Fitness			
1.5-Mile Run Time (min.)	Bike Test (VO_2)	Component Points	Abdominal Circumference (inches)	Component Points	1 minute Push-up (# Reps)	Component Points	1 minute Crunch (# Reps)	Component Points
≤10:24	≥50	50.00	<32.5	30.00	≥40	10.00	≥47	10.00
10:25-10:36	49	47.50	32.50	28.75	39	9.75	45-46	9.50
10:37-10:54	48	45.00	33.00	27.50	38	9.50	43-44	9.00
10:55-11:24	46-47	43.50	33.50	26.25	37	9.25	41-42	8.75
11:25-11:54	44-45	42.00	34.00	25.00	36	9.00	39-40	8.50
11:55-12:30	42-43	40.50	34.50	23.75	33-35	8.75	37-38	8.25
12:31-13:12	40-41	39.00	35.00	22.50	31-32	8.50	35-36	8.00
13:13-13:36	39	37.50	35.50	22.35	28-30	8.25	33-34	7.75
13:37-14:24	37-38	36.00	36.00	22.20	26-27	8.00	31-32	7.50
14:25-15:18	35-36	34.00	36.50	22.05	23-25	7.75	29-30	7.40
15:19-15:48	34	32.00	37.00	21.90	21-22	7.50	27-28	7.30
15:49-16:24	33	30.00	37.50	21.75	18-20	7.40	26	7.20
16:25-16:54	32	27.00	38.00	21.60	16-17	7.30	24-25	7.10
16:55-17:36	31	24.00	38.50	21.45	14-15	7.20	22-23	7.00
17:37-18:12	30	21.00	39.00	21.30	12-13	7.10	20-21	6.00
18:13-18:54	29	18.00	39.50	21.25	10-11	7.00	19	4.00
18:55-19:42	28	15.00	40.00	21.00	8-9	6.00	17-18	2.00
19:43-20:36	27	12.00	40.50	18.00	7	5.00	<17	0.00
20:37-21:30	26	9.00	41.00	15.00	6	4.00		
21:31-22:30	25	6.00	41.50	12.00	4-5	3.00		
22:31-23:36	24	3.00	42.00	9.00	3	2.00		
>23:36	<24	0.00	42.50	6.00	1-2	1.00		
			43.00	3.00	<1	0.00		
			>43.00	0.00				

Males 45-49

Aerobic Fitness			Body Composition		Muscle Fitness			
1.5-Mile Run Time (min.)	Bike Test (VO_2)	Component Points	Abdominal Circumference (inches)	Component Points	1 minute Push-up (# Reps)	Component Points	1 minute Crunch (# Reps)	Component Points
≤10:24	≥50	50.00	<32.5	30.00	≥40	10.00	≥45	10.00
10:25-10:36	49	47.50	32.50	28.75	39	9.75	43-44	9.50
10:37-10:54	48	45.00	33.00	27.50	37-38	9.50	41-42	9.00
10:55-11:24	46-47	43.50	33.50	26.25	35-36	9.25	39-40	8.75
11:25-11:54	44-45	42.00	34.00	25.00	33-34	9.00	37-38	8.50
11:55-12:30	42-43	40.50	34.50	23.75	30-32	8.75	35-36	8.25
12:31-13:12	40-41	39.00	35.00	22.50	27-29	8.50	33-34	8.00
13:13-13:36	39	37.50	35.50	22.35	25-26	8.25	31-32	7.75
13:37-14:24	37-38	36.00	36.00	22.20	22-24	8.00	29-30	7.50
14:25-15:18	35-36	34.00	36.50	22.05	20-21	7.75	27-28	7.40
15:19-15:48	34	32.00	37.00	21.90	18-19	7.50	25-26	7.30
15:49-16:24	33	30.00	37.50	21.75	16-17	7.40	24	7.20
16:25-16:54	32	27.00	38.00	21.60	14-15	7.30	22-23	7.10
16:55-17:36	31	24.00	38.50	21.45	12-13	7.20	20-21	7.00
17:37-18:12	30	21.00	39.00	21.30	10-11	7.10	18-19	6.00
18:13-18:54	29	18.00	39.50	21.25	9	7.00	17	4.00
18:55-19:42	28	15.00	40.00	21.00	7-8	6.00	15-16	2.00
19:43-20:36	27	12.00	40.50	18.00	6	5.00	<15	0.00
20:37-21:30	26	9.00	41.00	15.00	5	4.00		
21:31-22:30	25	6.00	41.50	12.00	4	3.00		
22:31-23:36	24	3.00	42.00	9.00	2-3	2.00		
>23:36	<24	0.00	42.50	6.00	1	1.00		
			43.00	3.00	0	0.00		
			>43.00	0.00				

Males 50-54

Aerobic Fitness			Body Composition		Muscle Fitness			
1.5-Mile Run Time (min.)	Bike Test (VO_2)	Component Points	Abdominal Circumference (inches)	Component Points	1 minute Push-up (# Reps)	Component Points	1 minute Crunch (# Reps)	Component Points
≤11:06	≥47	50.00	<32.5	30.00	≥39	10.00	≥43	10.00
11:07-11:24	46	47.50	32.50	28.75	37-38	9.75	41-42	9.50
11:25-11:36	45	45.00	33.00	27.50	35-36	9.50	39-40	9.00
11:37-12:12	43-44	43.50	33.50	26.25	32-34	9.25	37-38	8.75
12:13-12:54	41-42	42.00	34.00	25.00	30-31	9.00	35-36	8.50
12:55-13:36	39-40	40.50	34.50	23.75	27-29	8.75	32-34	8.25
13:37-14:24	37-38	39.00	35.00	22.50	25-26	8.50	30-31	8.00
14:25-15:18	35-36	37.50	35.50	22.35	22-24	8.25	28-29	7.75
15:19-15:48	34	36.00	36.00	22.20	20-21	8.00	26-27	7.50
15:49-16:54	32-33	34.00	36.50	22.05	17-19	7.75	24-25	7.40
16:55-17:36	31	32.00	37.00	21.90	15-16	7.50	22-23	7.30
17:37-18:12	30	30.00	37.50	21.75	13-14	7.40	21	7.20
18:13-18:54	29	27.00	38.00	21.60	12	7.30	19-20	7.10
18:55-19:42	28	24.00	38.50	21.45	10-11	7.20	17-18	7.00
19:43-20:36	27	21.00	39.00	21.30	9	7.10	15-16	6.00
20:37-21:30	26	18.00	39.50	21.25	7-8	7.00	14	4.00
21:31-22:30	25	15.00	40.00	21.00	6	6.00	12-13	2.00
22:31-23:36	24	12.00	40.50	18.00	5	5.00	<12	0.00
23:37-24:48	23	9.00	41.00	15.00	4	4.00		
24:49-26:06	22	6.00	41.50	12.00	3	3.00		
26:07-27:36	21	3.00	42.00	9.00	2	2.00		
>27:36	<21	0.00	42.50	6.00	1	1.00		
			43.00	3.00	0	0.00		
			>43.00	0.00				

Males 55+

Aerobic Fitness			Body Composition		Muscle Fitness			
1.5-Mile Run Time (min.)	Bike Test (VO_2)	Component Points	Abdominal Circumference (inches)	Component Points	1 minute Push-up (# Reps)	Component Points	1 minute Crunch (# Reps)	Component Points
≤11:06	≥47	50.00	<32.5	30.00	≥35	10.00	≥41	10.00
11:07-11:24	46	47.50	32.50	28.75	33-34	9.75	39-40	9.50
11:25-11:36	45	45.00	33.00	27.50	31-32	9.50	37-38	9.00
11:37-12:12	43-44	43.50	33.50	26.25	29-30	9.25	34-36	8.75
12:13-12:54	41-42	42.00	34.00	25.00	28	9.00	32-33	8.50
12:55-13:36	39-40	40.50	34.50	23.75	26-27	8.75	30-31	8.25
13:37-14:24	37-38	39.00	35.00	22.50	24-25	8.50	27-29	8.00
14:25-15:18	35-36	37.50	35.50	22.35	21-23	8.25	25-26	7.75
15:19-15:48	34	36.00	36.00	22.20	19-20	8.00	23-24	7.50
15:49-16:54	32-33	34.00	36.50	22.05	17-18	7.75	21-22	7.40
16:55-17:36	31	32.00	37.00	21.90	15-16	7.50	20	7.30
17:37-18:12	30	30.00	37.50	21.75	13-14	7.40	18-19	7.20
18:13-18:54	29	27.00	38.00	21.60	11-12	7.30	16-17	7.10
18:55-19:42	28	24.00	38.50	21.45	10	7.20	15	7.00
19:43-20:36	27	21.00	39.00	21.30	8-9	7.10	13-14	6.00
20:37-21:30	26	18.00	39.50	21.25	6-7	7.00	12	4.00
21:31-22:30	25	15.00	40.00	21.00	5	6.00	10-11	2.00
22:31-23:36	24	12.00	40.50	18.00	4	5.00	<10	0.00
23:37-24:48	23	9.00	41.00	15.00	3	4.00		
24:49-26:06	22	6.00	41.50	12.00	2	3.00		
26:07-27:36	21	3.00	42.00	9.00	1	2.00		
>27:36	<21	0.00	42.50	6.00	0	0.00		
			43.00	3.00				
			>43.00	0.00				

Females Under 25

Aerobic Fitness			Body Composition		Muscle Fitness			
1.5-Mile Run Time (min.)	Bike Test (VO_2)	Component Points	Abdominal Circumference (inches)	Component Points	1 minute Push-up (# Reps)	Component Points	1 minute Crunch (# Reps)	Component Points
≤11:06	≥47	50.00	<29.5	30.00	≥42	10.00	≥51	10.00
11:07-11:36	45-46	47.50	29.50	28.75	41	9.75	50	9.50
11:37-11:54	44	45.00	30.00	27.50	40	9.50	49	9.00
11:55-12:30	42-43	43.50	30.50	26.25	38-39	9.25	46-48	8.75
12:31-13:12	40-41	42.00	31.00	25.00	37	9.00	44-45	8.50
13:13-14:00	38-39	40.50	31.50	23.75	34-36	8.75	42-43	8.25
14:01-14:54	36-37	39.00	32.00	22.50	31-33	8.50	40-41	8.00
14:55-15:18	35	37.50	32.50	22.30	27-30	8.25	37-39	7.75
15:19-15:48	34	36.00	33.00	22.00	24-26	8.00	35-36	7.50
15:49-16:24	33	34.00	33.50	21.80	21-23	7.75	33-34	7.40
16:25-16:54	32	32.00	34.00	21.50	18-20	7.50	30-32	7.30
16:55-17:36	31	30.00	34.50	21.30	16-17	7.40	28-29	7.20
17:37-18:12	30	27.00	35.00	21.00	14-15	7.30	26-27	7.10
18:13-18:54	29	24.00	35.50	18.00	12-13	7.20	24-25	7.00
18:55-19:42	28	21.00	36.00	15.00	10-11	7.10	22-23	6.00
19:43-20:36	27	18.00	36.50	12.00	9	7.00	20-21	4.00
20:37-21:30	26	15.00	37.00	9.00	8	6.00	18-19	2.00
21:31-22:30	25	12.00	37.50	6.00	7	5.00	<18	0.00
22:31-23:36	24	9.00	38.00	3.00	6	4.00		
23:37-24:48	23	6.00	>38.00	0.00	5	3.00		
24:49-26:06	22	3.00			4	2.00		
>26:06	<22	0.00			3	1.00		
					<3	0.00		

Females 25-29

Aerobic Fitness			Body Composition		Muscle Fitness			
1.5-Mile Run Time (min.)	Bike Test (VO_2)	Component Points	Abdominal Circumference (inches)	Component Points	1 minute Push-up (# Reps)	Component Points	1 minute Crunch (# Reps)	Component Points
≤11:24	≥46	50.00	<29.5	30.00	≥41	10.00	≥47	10.00
11:25-11:36	45	47.50	29.50	28.75	40	9.75	46	9.50
11:37-11:54	44	45.00	30.00	27.50	38-39	9.50	45	9.00
11:55-12:30	42-43	43.50	30.50	26.25	36-37	9.25	42-44	8.75
12:31-13:12	40-41	42.00	31.00	25.00	35	9.00	40-41	8.50
13:13-14:00	38-39	40.50	31.50	23.75	31-34	8.75	38-39	8.25
14:01-14:54	36-37	39.00	32.00	22.50	28-30	8.50	36-37	8.00
14:55-15:18	35	37.50	32.50	22.30	25-27	8.25	34-35	7.75
15:19-15:48	34	36.00	33.00	22.00	22-24	8.00	31-33	7.50
15:49-16:24	33	34.00	33.50	21.80	19-21	7.75	29-30	7.40
16:25-16:54	32	32.00	34.00	21.50	16-18	7.50	27-28	7.30
16:55-17:36	31	30.00	34.50	21.30	14-15	7.40	25-26	7.20
17:37-18:12	30	27.00	35.00	21.00	13	7.30	23-24	7.10
18:13-18:54	29	24.00	35.50	18.00	11-12	7.20	21-22	7.00
18:55-19:42	28	21.00	36.00	15.00	10	7.10	19-20	6.00
19:43-20:36	27	18.00	36.50	12.00	8-9	7.00	17-18	4.00
20:37-21:30	26	15.00	37.00	9.00	7	6.00	15-16	2.00
21:31-22:30	25	12.00	37.50	6.00	6	5.00	<15	0.00
22:31-23:36	24	9.00	38.00	3.00	5	4.00		
23:37-24:48	23	6.00	>38.00	0.00	4	3.00		
24:49-26:06	22	3.00			3	2.00		
>26:06	21	0.00			2	1.00		
					<2	0.00		

Females 30-34

Aerobic Fitness		
1.5-Mile Run Time (min.)	Bike Test (VO_2)	Component Points
≤11:54	≥44	50.00
11:55-12:30	42-43	47.50
12:31-12:54	41	45.00
12:55-13:12	40	43.50
13:13-13:36	39	42.00
13:37-14:24	37-38	40.50
14:25-14:54	36	39.00
14:55-15:18	35	37.50
15:19-15:48	34	36.00
15:49-16:24	33	34.00
16:25-16:54	32	32.00
16:55-17:36	31	30.00
17:37-18:12	30	27.00
18:13-18:54	29	24.00
18:55-19:42	28	21.00
19:43-20:36	27	18.00
20:37-21:30	26	15.00
21:31-22:30	25	12.00
22:31-23:36	24	9.00
23:37-24:48	23	6.00
24:49-26:06	22	3.00
>26:06	<22	0.00

Body Composition	
Abdominal Circumference (inches)	Component Points
<29.5	30.00
29.50	28.75
30.00	27.50
30.50	26.25
31.00	25.00
31.50	23.75
32.00	22.50
32.50	22.30
33.00	22.00
33.50	21.80
34.00	21.50
34.50	21.30
35.00	21.00
35.50	18.00
36.00	15.00
36.50	12.00
37.00	9.00
37.50	6.00
38.00	3.00
>38.00	0.00

Muscle Fitness			
1 minute Push-up (# Reps)	Component Points	1 minute Crunch (# Reps)	Component Points
≥40	10.00	≥42	10.00
39	9.75	41	9.50
37-38	9.50	40	9.00
35-36	9.25	37-39	8.75
33-34	9.00	35-36	8.50
29-32	8.75	33-34	8.25
26-28	8.50	31-32	8.00
23-25	8.25	29-30	7.75
20-22	8.00	27-28	7.50
17-19	7.75	25-26	7.40
14-16	7.50	23-24	7.30
12-13	7.40	22	7.20
11	7.30	20-21	7.10
10	7.20	18-19	7.00
9	7.10	16-17	6.00
7-8	7.00	13-15	4.00
6	6.00	11-12	2.00
5	5.00	<11	0.00
4	4.00		
3	3.00		
2	2.00		
1	1.00		
0	0.00		

Females 35-39

Aerobic Fitness		
1.5-Mile Run Time (min.)	Bike Test (VO_2)	Component Points
≤11:54	≥44	50.00
11:55-12:30	42-43	47.50
12:31-12:54	41	45.00
12:55-13:12	40	43.50
13:13-13:36	39	42.00
13:37-14:24	37-38	40.50
14:25-14:54	36	39.00
14:55-15:18	35	37.50
15:19-15:48	34	36.00
15:49-16:24	33	34.00
16:25-16:54	32	32.00
16:55-17:36	31	30.00
17:37-18:12	30	27.00
18:13-18:54	29	24.00
18:55-19:42	28	21.00
19:43-20:36	27	18.00
20:37-21:30	26	15.00
21:31-22:30	25	12.00
22:31-23:36	24	9.00
23:37-24:48	23	6.00
24:49-26:06	22	3.00
>26:06	<22	0.00

Body Composition	
Abdominal Circumference (inches)	Component Points
<29.5	30.00
29.50	28.75
30.00	27.50
30.50	26.25
31.00	25.00
31.50	23.75
32.00	22.50
32.50	22.30
33.00	22.00
33.50	21.80
34.00	21.50
34.50	21.30
35.00	21.00
35.50	18.00
36.00	15.00
36.50	12.00
37.00	9.00
37.50	6.00
38.00	3.00
>38.00	0.00

Muscle Fitness			
1 minute Push-up (# Reps)	Component Points	1 minute Crunch (# Reps)	Component Points
≥30	10.00	≥40	10.00
29	9.75	38-39	9.50
28	9.50	37	9.00
27	9.25	35-36	8.75
26	9.00	33-34	8.50
23-25	8.75	31-32	8.25
21-22	8.50	29-30	8.00
19-20	8.25	27-28	7.75
17-18	8.00	25-26	7.50
15-16	7.75	23-24	7.40
13-14	7.50	21-22	7.30
11-12	7.40	20	7.20
10	7.30	18-19	7.10
9	7.20	16-17	7.00
8	7.10	14-15	6.00
6-7	7.00	12-13	4.00
4-5	6.00	9-11	2.00
3	4.00	<9	0.00
1-2	2.00		
<1	0.00		

Females 40-44

Aerobic Fitness			Body Composition		Muscle Fitness			
1.5-Mile Run Time (min.)	Bike Test (VO_2)	Component Points	Abdominal Circumference (inches)	Component Points	1 minute Push-up (# Reps)	Component Points	1 minute Crunch (# Reps)	Component Points
≤12:30	≥42	50.00	<29.5	30.00	≥20	10.00	≥38	10.00
12:31-12:54	41	47.50	29.50	28.75	19	9.50	36-37	9.50
12:55-13:12	40	45.00	30.00	27.50	18	9.00	34-35	9.00
13:13-14:00	38-39	43.50	30.50	26.25	16-17	8.75	32-33	8.75
14:01-14:54	36-37	42.00	31.00	25.00	15	8.50	30-31	8.50
14:55-15:48	34-35	40.50	31.50	23.75	14	8.25	28-29	8.25
15:49-16:24	33	39.00	32.00	22.50	13	8.00	26-27	8.00
16:25-16:54	32	37.50	32.50	22.30	12	7.75	24-25	7.75
16:55-17:36	31	36.00	33.00	22.00	11	7.50	22-23	7.50
17:37-18:12	30	34.00	33.50	21.80	9-10	7.40	20-21	7.40
18:13-18:54	29	32.00	34.00	21.50	8	7.30	18-19	7.30
18:55-19:42	28	30.00	34.50	21.30	7	7.20	17	7.20
19:43-20:36	27	27.00	35.00	21.00	6	7.10	15-16	7.10
20:37-21:30	26	24.00	35.50	18.00	5	7.00	13-14	7.00
21:31-22:30	25	21.00	36.00	15.00	3-4	6.00	11-12	6.00
22:31-23:36	24	18.00	36.50	12.00	2	4.00	9-10	4.00
23:37-24:48	23	15.00	37.00	9.00	1	2.00	7-8	2.00
24:49-26:06	22	12.00	37.50	6.00	0	0.00	<7	0.00
26:07-27:36	21	9.00	38.00	3.00				
27:37-29:18	20	6.00	>38.00	0.00				
29:19-31:12	19	3.00						
>31:12	<19	0.00						

Females 45-49

Aerobic Fitness			Body Composition		Muscle Fitness			
1.5-Mile Run Time (min.)	Bike Test (VO_2)	Component Points	Abdominal Circumference (inches)	Component Points	1 minute Push-up (# Reps)	Component Points	1 minute Crunch (# Reps)	Component Points
≤12:30	≥42	50.00	<29.5	30.00	≥18	10.00	≥34	10.00
12:31-12:54	41	47.50	29.50	28.75	17	9.50	33	9.50
12:55-13:12	40	45.00	30.00	27.50	16	9.00	32	9.00
13:13-14:00	38-39	43.50	30.50	26.25	14-15	8.75	30-31	8.75
14:01-14:54	36-37	42.00	31.00	25.00	13	8.50	28-29	8.50
14:55-15:48	34-35	40.50	31.50	23.75	12	8.25	26-27	8.25
15:49-16:24	33	39.00	32.00	22.50	11	8.00	24-25	8.00
16:25-16:54	32	37.50	32.50	22.30	10	7.75	22-23	7.75
16:55-17:36	31	36.00	33.00	22.00	9	7.50	20-21	7.50
17:37-18:12	30	34.00	33.50	21.80	8	7.40	18-19	7.40
18:13-18:54	29	32.00	34.00	21.50	7	7.30	16-17	7.30
18:55-19:42	28	30.00	34.50	21.30	6	7.20	14-15	7.20
19:43-20:36	27	27.00	35.00	21.00	5	7.10	12-13	7.10
20:37-21:30	26	24.00	35.50	18.00	4	7.00	10-11	7.00
21:31-22:30	25	21.00	36.00	15.00	3	6.00	8-9	6.00
22:31-23:36	24	18.00	36.50	12.00	2	4.00	7	4.00
23:37-24:48	23	15.00	37.00	9.00	1	2.00	6	2.00
24:49-26:06	22	12.00	37.50	6.00	0	0.00	<6	0.00
26:07-27:36	21	9.00	38.00	3.00				
27:37-29:18	20	6.00	>38.00	0.00				
29:19-31:12	19	3.00						
>31:12	<19	0.00						

Females 50-54

Aerobic Fitness			Body Composition		Muscle Fitness			
1.5-Mile Run Time (min.)	Bike Test (VO_2)	Component Points	Abdominal Circumference (inches)	Component Points	1 minute Push-up (# Reps)	Component Points	1 minute Crunch (# Reps)	Component Points
≤14:24	≥37	50.00	<29.5	30.00	≥16	10.00	≥30	10.00
14:25-14:54	36	47.50	29.50	28.75	15	9.50	29	9.00
14:55-15:18	35	45.00	30.00	27.50	14	9.00	27-28	8.75
15:19-16:24	33-34	43.50	30.50	26.25	13	8.75	25-26	8.50
16:25-16:54	32	42.00	31.00	25.00	12	8.50	23-24	8.25
16:55-17:36	31	40.50	31.50	23.75	11	8.25	21-22	8.00
17:37-18:12	30	39.00	32.00	22.50	10	8.00	19-20	7.75
18:13-18:54	29	37.50	32.50	22.30	9	7.75	17-18	7.50
18:55-19:42	28	36.00	33.00	22.00	8	7.50	15-16	7.40
19:43-20:36	27	34.00	33.50	21.80	7	7.40	13-14	7.30
20:37-21:30	26	32.00	34.00	21.50	6	7.30	11-12	7.20
21:31-22:30	25	30.00	34.50	21.30	5	7.20	9-10	7.10
22:31-23:36	24	27.00	35.00	21.00	4	7.10	7-8	7.00
23:37-24:48	23	24.00	35.50	18.00	3	7.00	5-6	6.00
24:49-26:06	22	21.00	36.00	15.00	2	6.00	3-4	4.00
26:07-27:36	21	18.00	36.50	12.00	1	3.00	1-2	2.00
27:37-29:18	20	15.00	37.00	9.00	<1	0.00	<1	0.00
29:19-31:12	19	12.00	37.50	6.00				
31:13-33:18	18	9.00	38.00	3.00				
33:19-35:48	17	6.00	>38.00	0.00				
35:49-38:36	16	3.00						
>38:36	<16	0.00						

Attachment 13

ADMINISTRATIVE AND PERSONNEL ACTIONS FOR FAILING TO ATTAIN PHYSICAL FITNESS STANDARDS

Table A13.1. Administrative and Personnel Actions for Failing to Attain Physical Fitness Standards (See Notes 1-3).

Poor Fitness Score (See Notes 1, 2, 3)	>6 mo	>9 mo	>12 mo	>24 mo
Options				
Verbal Counseling	Use verbal counseling anytime and as often as needed			
Letter of Counseling	X			
Letter of Admonition	X			
Limit Supervisory Responsibilities	X	X		
Letter of Reprimand	X	X		
Establish UIF	X	X		
Withhold or Defer Promotion (Enlisted)	X	X		
Reenlistment Ineligibility (see note 5 and 7)	X	X	X	
Deny Voluntary Retraining		X	X	
Deny Formal Training		X	X	
Performance Report Comments (see note 4)	X	X	X	
Promotion Delay/Removal (Officers)	X	X	X	
Nonrecommend for Promotion (Enlisted)		X	X	
Remove Supervisory Responsibilities	X	X	X	
Placement on the Control Roster		X	X	
Administrative Demotion		X	X	X
Reenlistment Nonselection (see note 6 and 7)		X	X	X
Administrative Separation			X	X
Retention with continuation in FP and appropriate administrative actions from 3rd Poor Fit List				X

NOTES:

1. This figure provides the normal sequence and timing of administrative and personnel actions when an individual fails to achieve a passing fitness score and shows no sign of significant improvement; however, unit commanders exercise their discretion when selecting the appropriate administrative and personnel actions. This table is only a suggestion and an example for commanders to use.

2. Commanders may determine it would be appropriate to deny one or more personnel actions prior to six months unfit based on other quality factors or the individual's level of effort towards a higher fitness level. In addition, unit commanders should take progressively more severe administrative/personnel actions, based on the number of failed fitness assessments.
3. Commanders should refer to the governing instructions to determine the correct forms and procedures for each action.
4. Do not put fitness scores on OPRs and EPRs. If commanders have taken all the appropriate actions that would lead to a referral report then wording should not focus on the overall numerical fitness score but rather the reasons/behavior that resulted in the poor fitness assessment. As with any other Air Force standard, you should mark blocks on the front and back of reports accordingly with the same consideration you give individuals concerning any other infraction of Air Force standards.
5. Commanders may render an individual ineligible for reenlistment rather then denying reenlistment by specifying ineligibility versus nonselection on the AF Form 418, Selective Reenlistment Program Consideration. This allows the flexibility of authorizing an individual to extend their enlistment for either 4 or 7 months to improve their fitness level.
6. Individuals nonselected for reenlistment are not allowed to extend for any reason and will separate on their DOS.
7. The commander may complete a second AF Form 418 changing the member's ineligibility or nonselection status at any time.

Attachment 14

SAMPLE MEMO FOR TDY/PME

(Appropriate Letterhead)

MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDANT/TDY COMMANDER (Date)

FROM: UNIT COMMANDER

SUBJECT: Fitness Intervention, Follow-up, and Testing Requirements

1. _____(Rank, Name)_____ received a poor / marginal (circle one) fitness score on ___(date)____. He/she is enrolled in the following improvement program(s):

_____ Fitness Improvement Program (FIP)

_____ Body Composition Improvement Program (BCIP)

2. This member must continue on the FIP/BCIP while TDY. Please ensure enrollment in local programs.

3. The member must retest NLT ____(date)____.

(Signature, Unit Commander)

Attachment:

Individual Fitness Assessment Report

1st Ind, COMMANDANT/COMMANDER (Date)

MEMORANDUM FOR UNIT COMMANDER

1. ____(Rank, Name)____ did / did not enroll and participate in the required improvement programs.

2. A fitness assessment was accomplished on _(test date)_ with a score of (composite fitness score) .

(Commandant)

Attachment:
Individual Fitness Assessment Report

Attachment 15

IC 2005-1 TO AFI 10-248, FITNESS PROGRAM

24 MAY 2005

This instruction implements Air Force Policy Directive (AFPD) 10-2, *Readiness*, and supersedes all guiance provided in AFI 40-501, *Air Force Fitness Program* and AFI 40-502, *The Weight and Body Fat Management Program*. It complements the physical fitness requirements of DoD Directive 1308.1, *DoD Physical Fitness and Body Fat Program*, 20 July 1995; and DoD Instruction 1308.3, *DoD Physical Fitness and Body Fat Procedures*, 5 November 2002. This instruction applies to all Air Force members. Air Force Reserve Command (AFRC) and Air National Guard (ANG) members must meet the standards outined in this instruction; AFRC and ANG supplement/instruction provides specific information for Active/Guard Reserve (AGR) and Traditional Reserve (TR) members. For guidance on management of units assigned with Air Force Reserve members, Individual Mobilization Augmente (IMA), and Participating Individual Ready Reserve (PIRR) members refer to the AFRC Supplement 1 to this instruction. This instruction complements AFI 34-266, *The Air Force Fitness and Sports Program*, AFMAN 34-137, *Air Force Fitness and Sports Operations* and AFI 40-104, *Nutrition Education*. This instruction requires the collection and maintenance of information protected by the Privacy Act of 1974. Ensure that all records created as a result of prescribed processes are maintained in accordance with AFMAN 37-123, *Management of Records*, and disposed of in accordance with AFMAN 37-139, *Records Disposition Schedule*. The authority to collect and maintain the records prescribed in this instruction is Title 10, United States Code, Section 8013. Privacy Act system of records notice F044 AF SG N, Physical Fitness File, applies.

All members of the Air Force must be physically fit to support the Air Force mission. Health benefits from an active lifestyle will increase productivity, optimize health, and decrease absenteeism while maitaining a higher level of readiness. The goal of the Fitness Program (FP) is to motivate all members to participate in a year-round physical conditioning program that emphasizes total fitness, to include proper aerobic conditioning, strength/flexibility training, and healthy eating. Commanders and supervisors must incorporate fitness into the AF culture to establish an environment for members to maintain physical fitess and health to meet expeditionary mission requirements and deliver a fit and ready force. The annual fitness assessment provides commanders with a tool to assist in the determination of overall fitness of their military personnel.

SUMMARY OF REVISIONS

This interim change implements new guidelines that clarify requirements for the unit-based fitness program, corrects time period for testing following deployment, identifies the fitness software application by name, places a timeline on data entry, specifies requirement for Health and Wellness staff to conduct body fat measurements on accessions, provides minimum period for retest requirements, defines exemption parameters and processes, eliminates required sequence for push-ups and crunches, provides guidance for the assessment of shift workers and intervention for members at Geographically Separated Units, clarifies timelines and requirements for education/intervention, provides guidance for the definition and disclosure of Protected Health Information as it relates to the Fitness Program, inserts maximum screening weights for accessions, includes Commissioned Officer Training, deletes guidance for IMA/PIRR and individual reservist administrative actions, specifies publication governing the USAFA Cadet Weight and Fitness Program, gives commanders guidance for members failing to present a professional military image while in uniform, corrects procedures and formulas for fitness assessment components, and clarifies administrative and personnel actions for failing to attain physical fitness standards.

1.12.3.1. Commanders will offer a unit-based program led by trained PTL at least three times per week specifying frequency of required individual participation.

1.12.7. Appoints a Unit Fitness Program Manager (UFPM).

1.12.12. Ensures members returning from deployment, who were exempted during deployment, are tested 6 weeks after reconstitution period.

1.14.2.1. Enters and updates exemptions in the AF FMS.

1.14.2.4. Ensures member's fitness assessment results are entered into the AF FMS within 14 days of the completed assessment.

1.19.4. Ensures members in the HAWC performing duties related to the FP have received required certification, continuing education, and annual training.

1.19.5. Ensures male and female members of the HAWC staff are trained to conduct height, weight and body fat measurements (IAW DoDI 1308.3) on accessions referred by AFRS or the CSS, as needed. Note: Accessions include enlisted to officer transfers, Palace Chase and Palace Front.

1.25. **Individualized Mobilization Augmentees (IMA) and Participating Individual Ready Reserists (PIRR).** IMAs and PIRRs participating for pay, and/or points, are subject to the provisions in this AFI. The UFPM, for the unit the IMA is attached, ensures the fitness assessment is accomplished and appropriate follow-up is completed.

3.4.2. **Marginal.** Test within 90 days, but not during the first 45 days of achieving a marginal score.

3.4.3. **Poor.** Test within 90 days, but not during the first 45 days of acheiving a poor score. This time period facilitates lifestyle change and sufficient conditioning time to increase fitness level while prventing injury. For IMAs/PIRRs, see guidance in AFRC Supplement.

3.5.2. **Marginal Score.** Must retest within 90 days and complete the Healthy Living Workshop (HLW), unless completed in the past year.

3.5.4. If a member is unable to complete any scheduled fitness test or classes due to mission requirements, the member must receive written approval from the unit comander for an excusal. A copy of the written approval is filed in the member's PIF. The member must be rescheduled and attend the missed appointment within 15 duty days after completion of mission requirement.

3.5.4.1. DeleteD.

3.5.4.2. DeleteD.

3.5.4.3. DeleteD.

3.6. **Exemptions.** Exemptions are designed to categorize members as unable or unavailable to train or test for reasons beyond the control of the member or commander.

3.6.1. **Component Exemptions.** The commander may grant members an exemption from components (aerobic assessment, crunches, and/or push-ups) of physical training or physical assessment based on medical recommendations IAW para **4.2.3.** When the component exemption expires or is cleared by the provider, the member will become due for a composite assessment. If the component exemption

exceeded 30 days, the member is given 6 weeks following the expiration or clearance of the medical exemption for training.

3.6.2. **Composite Exemptions.** Composite exemptions shall not be issued for personnel still currently assigned to a unit and still available to test solely for the purpose of removing a member from the denominator (i.e., impending retirements or separations, scheduled TDY, overdue, etc.). The unit commander may grant a temporary exemption from the entire composite assessment according the following limited circumstances:

Table 3.1. Composite Exemptions.

Type	Definition
Medical[1]	Member is prohibited from completing **all** components of the fitness assessment.
Pregnancy[2]	Member has a pregnancy profile.
Deployment[1]	If a member is due to test prior or during projected deployment, the member will complete an assessment prior to deployment. Member on 365-day TDY will test prior to departure. If this is not possible due to extenuating circumstances or the deployment is extended beyond the member's currency, the commander may grant a deployment exemption.
Commander[1]	Members unable to complete an assessment for time-limited, unforeseen catastrophic event that precludes training and testing for greater than 30 days (e.g., Sept 11th) may be exempt for that period. Members in inbound status are exempt through the RNLTD and given 6 weeks to acclimatize before testing. Exemptions are not granted for members in outbound status; members that are due to test prior to the RNLTD must be tested prior to PCS. Members on PTDY in conjunction with terminal leave and/or on terminal leave may be exempt until the member is removed from active status.

NOTES:

1. If the exemption exceeds 30 days, the member is given 6 weeks following the expiration of the medical exemption for training.
2. Member is exempt from fitness testing during pregnancy and 180 days after delivery date IAW para **4.2.9.1.** and **4.2.9.2.**

4.2.1. All members must complete the Fitness Screening Questionnaire prior to fitness testing.

4.2.2. Providers may authorize temporary medical exemptions for medical conditions that prevent a member from safely participating in specific physical conditioning programs, participating in a coponent of the fitness assessment, or who require temporary exemption from a component of testing. The provider

will specifiy the length of time required for exemption and the time the member will be cleared to test that component(s). Assessment for participation in fitness activities should be made at each visit to prevent the member from having to return for clearance or exemption at a later date.

4.2.3.1. Aerobic fitness test. The physician should specify exemption from running, walking, cycling, or all three based on injury, illness or unacceptable cardiovascular risk. See paragraph **4.2.6.** and **4.2.2.**

4.2.5. Providers will not recommend total exemption from a regular fitness/exercise program; rather, the provider should recommend specific conditioning appropriate for the medical condition (per para **4.2.2.-4.2.4.**). The provider will refer the member medically cleared for exercise , but exempt from specific activities, to the FPM, or appropriate ancillary provider (e.g. physical therapist) for fitness/rehabilitative consultation.

4.2.6.1. Medical exemptions will last no longer than one year, with the exception of pregnancy exemptions and those with a permanent exemption following an MEB/PEB.

4.2.6.2. All members for whom medical exemption from testing, or for whom fitness training must be modified for greater than 30 days, including pregnancy, will be referred to the FPM, or appropriate ancillary provider (e.g. physical therapist) for an exercise assessment, prescription and counseling or rehabilitation program.

4.2.7.3. Members who undergo MEB/PEB for a medically disqualifying condition must be profiled in accordance with the medical guidance from AFPC/DPAMM and the recommendations of their PCM.

4.3.1.2. The muscular fitness assessment (pushups then crunches) may be accomplished before or after the **1.5.** mile run, but must be completed after the cycle ergometry test (or 1-mile walk for eligible members).

4.3.1.4. The assessment components should be scheduled to allow adequate rest for members on irregular/shift work hours.

4.3.3. **Aerobic Assessment.**

4.3.3.2. Members medically exempted from the run and cleared for a sub-maximal test will complete the cycle ergometry test according to procedures in **Attachment 9**.

5.2.3. Members at GSUs or other locations where HAWCs are not readily accessible may receive HLW, FIP, and BCIP education and intervention through distance learning tools, electronic media, and virtual program management (e.g. teleconferences and/or video teleconferences) approved by AFMSA/SGPP. HAWC staff at the unit's host or servicing base may oversee and accomplish the required interventions.

5.3.1.1. Required for all members receiving composite fitness score <75; members must attend within 10 duty days of fitness assessment.

5.3.3.1. Individuals who score <70 and have an abdominal circumference >40 inches (male) or >35 inches (female) will attend the first session of BCIP (a multidisciplinary, multi-session body composition improvement program) within 10 duty days of completing the HLW. BCIP sessions should be scheduled and attended in sequential order.

5.3.3.2.6. Follow-up sessions; group or individual format. Member will schedule a monthly follow-up until the member achieves a composite score ≥70. Follow-ups may be accomplished by a dietitian, psychologist, or other provider in accordance with the members goals/needs and coordinated with the BCIP instructor.

5.3.3.4. A registered dietitian, nutritional medicine technician, or other medical staff member authorized to provide nutrition counseling IAW AFMAN 44-144, Nutritional Medicine Service, conducts the BCIP.

5.4.1. The UFPM should schedule a Fitness Review Panel meeting with the FPM for members in the poor category who fail to achieve a higher score at the 90 day retest.

5.4.2.1. Review AF Forms 1975 and food records, as applicable. Evaluate the member's fitness program, test results and barriers to improvement.

5.4.2.2. Recommend additional intervention to assist the member in successful program outcome. Document these recommendations on AF Form 108 for the commander's signature.

5.4.2.3. Consist of the minimum necessary to achieve the requirements in para **5.4.2.1.** and **5.4.2.2.** (e.g. member, member's supervisor, fitness program manager, dietitian/diet therapist, medical provider, as needed).

5.5. **Protected Health Information**

5.5.1. Fitness assessment and training data, to include run times and VO2 scores, push-ups, crunches, abdominal circumference and component or composite scores do not meet the definition of protected health information (PHI) as outlined in 6025.18R, DoD Health Information Privacy Regulation.

5.5.2. Any occasion where a member interacts with a medical provider or technician for education, intervention, assessment, or treatment related to the fitness program, the information generated as a result of the interaction is PHI and must be handled IAW DoDI 6025.18R and the MTFs local procedures.

5.5.2.1. If PHI must be shared with the commander and their staff, an accounting of the release must occur as outlined in DoDI 6025.18 and as outlined in local MTF policy unless the member signs or provides written authorization to disclose the information.

6.1. Accessions. Weight and body fat determinations (as accomplished at MEPS or other point of entry to service) remain part of accession physical standards and may also be used as entry criteria for accession training programs. Weight standards are delineated in **Table 6.1.** Procedures are delineated in DoDI 1308.3. AF entry standards are maximum screening weights for BMI of 27.5 kg/m2 (see DoDI 1308.3, Table E2.T1) and maximum body fat of 20% for males <30, 24% for males ≥30, 28% for females <30, and 32% for females ≥30. Applicants exceeding these body fat standards are disqualified for entry into the AF. Those at or below the minimum weight (BMI of 19) must undergo medical evaluation prior to consideration for acceptance.

Table 6.1. Maximum and Minimum Allowable Weights.

Represents Maximum Allowable Weights for BMI of 27.5 (regardless of age)

Height (inches)	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
Weight (pounds)	131	136	141	145	150	155	160	165	170	175	180	186	191	197	202	208	214	220	225	231	237	244	250

Represents Minimum Weights for BMI of 19.0

Height (inches)	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
Weight (pounds)	91	94	97	100	104	107	110	114	117	121	125	128	132	136	140	144	148	152	156	160	164	168	173

6.2. Students. Commanders, Superintendents, or Commandants of units such as the United States Air Force Academy, Basic Military Training, Advanced Technical Training Centers, Undergraduate Pilot and Navigator Training Centers,Basic Officer Training, Commissioned Officer Training, Reserve Officers Training Corps, Graduate Medical Education and AFIT education programs will align fitness testing standards with this instruction. A fitness assessment composite score of 75 or greater is required for AF, AFRC and ANG members to graduate from Technical Training or to obtain a commission through USAFA, ROTC, Basic Officer Training or Academy of Military Science. Students assigned to civilian institutions (e.g., AFIT) will participate in fitness assessments conducted by local ROTC detachment, where available, base of sevicing MTF (since member is not assigned to any unit on base, the HAWC will schedule member to be tested by a PT Leader on base) or other arrangements as determined by the assigned commander. Results of fitness assessments will be entered into the AF FMS by the UFPM, or designated alternate, at the unit of assignment for purposes of tracking, generating reassessment dates, metrics and reports.

6.3.1.4. In unique circumstances (only one AF member at a location), the unit commander may authorize the unit member to be tested by a non-AF person trained by the servicing HAWC to conduct the assessment. Results of the fitness assessment will be entered in the AF FMS by a UFPM in the parent organization.

6.5.6. DELETED.

6.5.6.1. DELETED.

6.6. **Installations with Extreme Weather Conditions.** Commanders may request a waiver from the MAJCOM/CV to use the cycle ergometry test in lieu of the 1.5-mile run test for extreme weather condtions (reference **A8.3.**). The waiver must specify periods unable to complete the run test safely.

8.2.2. The unit commander will take administrative action for members that have a composite score <70 for greater than 180 days and each subsequent composite fitness score <70 if the member shows no sign of significant improvement. See **Table A13.1.** for available options.

8.2.6. Administrative Separation. Commanders will make a discharge or retention recommendation to the Installation Commander when an individual remains in the poor fitness category for a continuous 12-month period or receives four poor fitness assessments in a 24-month period. Commanders follow

procedures in AFI 36-3206, *Administrative Discharge Procedures for Commissioned Officers*, or AFI 36-3208, *Administrative Separation of Airmen*.

8.2.6.1. Reassignment of Individual Reservists: The unit of assignment/attachment commander may initiate reassignment action after the second unsatisfactory observation period. The member may be reassigned to the inactive reserve, either Non-Affiliated Reserve Section (NSRS)-NB if obligated, or NARS-NA if non-obligated. If the member does not report for mandatory 90-day body composition check, reassignment action will be initiated. Members will be reassigned according to AFI 36-2115, *Assignments within the Reserve Components*. All administrative actions must be coordinated with the MAJCOM, unit of attachment, and unit of assignment.

8.2.6.2. DELETED.

8.2.7. Failing to present a professional military image while in uniform.

8.2.7.1. Commanders must ensure members present a professional military image while in uniform. A professional military image/appearance may or may not directly relate to an individual's fitness level or weight. In these cases commanders:

8.2.7.2. May require individuals who do not present a professional military appearance (regardless of overall fitness composite score) to enter the fitness improvement program.

8.2.7.3. May schedule individuals for fitness education/ intervention.

8.2.7.4. Must specify in writing, the date an individual should complete the program and the requirements they must meet.

8.2.7.5. May extend the exercise program in writing beyond the initial period until the participant achieves a professional military appearance.

8.2.7.6. May take administrative/personnel action if the individual fails to participate or comply with the requirements set up by his/her commander.

8.2.7.7. There are no system updates for this program.

8.3.1. Members in all fitness categories may participate in PME and attend technical training, undegraduate and graduate education and training programs and other advanced or specialized training programs in accordance with specific course requirements and commander discretion.

8.3.6. USAFAI 36-2002, Cadet Weight and Fitness Program, governs members attending the USAF Academy.

8.4.7.3. Dispose of the FP case file IAW Air Force Records Disposition Schedule at **https://webrims.amc.af.mil**. See Table 36-12, Rule 13.

The following are **added** to **Attachment 1**, ***Abbreviations and Acronyms***

AF FMS Air Force Fitness Management System

The following are **added** to **Attachment 1**, ***References***

AFMAN 15-129, *Air and Space Weather Operations – Processes and Procedures*

The following are **deleted** from **Attachment 1**:

AFVA 40-503, United States Air Force Maximum Allowable Weight (MAW) Table

AFMAN 37-139, Records Disposition Schedule

AFMAN 44-132, Dietary Information for Weight Loss

AFMAN 44-144, Nutritional Medicine

The following term is changed in **Attachment 1**:

Fitness Assessment Monitor (FAM) An individual who is trained and certified by the FPM to conduct cycle ergometry fitness assessments. FAMs should be a role model and advocate for fitness. This is an additional duty and not a primary AFSC.

A4. 3 Are you 35 years of age or older?

❍ Yes Proceed to next question.

❍ No Stop here; sign form and return to your Unit Fitness Program Manager.

A6.3. To evaluate muscular fitness, you will perform one minute each of pushups and crunches. Due to the heart rate component used in cycle ergometry testing (and one-mile walk test), the muscular fitness component is completed following those tests/cool down. The abdominal circumference measurement and muscular fitness component must be completed within five days of the aerobic component.

A6.4.4. Warm-up at least five minutes prior to scheduled 1.5-mile timed run; warm-up time is not included in the assessment.

A6.6.1. If you are taking medications that influence your heart rate, you should contact your prvider prior to taking the cycle ergometry assessment (or other approved sub-maximal, heart-rate based assessment.

A7.1.4. Measurement will be recorded to the nearest inch. If the height fraction is less than ½ inch, round down to the nearest inch. If the height fraction is ½ inch or greater, round up to the nearest inch.

A7.3.5. Examiner is positioned at right side of the member.

A7.3.9. Take the circumference measure three times and record each measurement to the nearest ½ inch. If any of the measures differ by more than one inch from the other two, take an additional measurement. Add the three closest measurements, divide by 3, and round down to the nearest ½ inch. Record this value as the abdominal circumference measure.

A7.3.10. DELETED

A10.3.1.1. Females: VO2 = 132.853 - (0.388 x age in years) - (0.077 x weight in lb.) - (3.265 x walk time in minutes, to nearest hundredth) - (0.157 x heart rate)

A10.3.1.2. Males: VO2 = 132.853 - (0.388 x age in years) - (0.077 x weight in lb.) - (3.265 x walk time in minutes, to nearest hundredth) - (0.157 x heart rate) + 6.318

A11.2.3. **Assessment Explanation:** The crunch instructions (as found below) will be read to the member prior to the assessment. It is recommended that the member stretch out the hip flexors and abdominals prior to beginning the assessment.

Attachment 13

Administrative and Personnel Actions for Failing to Attain Physical Fitness Standards

Table 13. Administrative and Personnel Actions for Failing to Attain Physical Fitness Standards (See Notes 1-3).

Poor Fitness Score (See Notes 1, 2, 3)	>6 mo	>9 mo	>12 mo	>24 mo
Options				
Verbal Counseling	Use verbal counseling anytime and as often as needed			
Letter of Counseling	X			
Letter of Admonition	X			
Limit Supervisory Responsibilities	X	X		
Letter of Reprimand	X	X		
Establish UIF	X	X		
Withhold or Defer Promotion (Enlisted)	X	X		
Reenlistment Ineligibility (see note 5 and 7)	X	X	X	
Deny Voluntary Retraining		X	X	
Deny Formal Training		X	X	
Performance Report Comments (see note 4)	X	X	X	
Promotion Delay/Removal (Officers)	X	X	X	
Nonrecommend for Promotion (Enlisted)		X	X	
Remove Supervisory Responsibilities	X	X	X	
Placement on the Control Roster		X	X	
Administrative Demotion		X	X	X
Reenlistment Nonselection (see note 6 and 7)		X	X	X
Administrative Separation			X	X
Retention with continuation in FP and appropriate administrative actions from 3rd Poor Fit List				X

NOTES:

1. This figure provides the normal sequence and timing of administrative and personnel actions when an individual fails to achieve a passing fitness score and shows no sign of significant improvement; however, unit commanders exercise their discretion when selecting the appropriate administrative and personnel actions. This table is only a suggestion and an example for commanders to use.

2. Commanders may determine it would be appropriate to deny one or more personnel actions prior to six months unfit based on other quality factors or the individual's level of effort towards a higher fitness level.

In addition, unit commanders should take progressively more severe administrative/personnel actions, based on the number of failed fitness assessments.

3. Commanders should refer to the governing instructions to determine the correct forms and procedures for each action.

4. Do not put fitness scores on OPRs and EPRs. If commanders have taken all the appropriate actions that would lead to a referral report then wording should not focus on the overall numerical fitness score but rather the reasons/behavior that resulted in the poor fitness assessment. As with any other Air Force standard, you should mark blocks on the front and back of reports accordingly with the same consideration you give individuals concerning any other infraction of Air Force standards.

5. Commanders may render an individual ineligible for reenlistment rather then denying reenlistment by specifying ineligibility versus nonselection on the AF Form 418, Selective Reenlistment Program Consideration. This allows the flexibility of authorizing an individual to extend their enlistment for either 4 or 7 months to improve their fitness level.

6. Individuals nonselected for reenlistment are not allowed to extend for any reason and will separate on their DOS.

7. The commander may complete a second AF Form 418 changing the member's ineligibility or nonselection status at any time.