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## JOINING INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUB-LIEUTENANT TECHNICAL COURSE 33/25

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### INTRODUCTION

1. The Nigerian Naval College (NNC) was established in November 1979 with the primary objective to mould cadets into professional officers in the NN. The choice of the current location of the College enabled the cadets to adapt and appreciate the vagaries of the maritime environment. Since inception, the College has successfully turned out 7 courses of Regular Combatant cadets and 7 batches of Direct Entry Commissioned officers before it was terminated when the Nigerian Defence Academy (NDA) became a degree awarding institution in 1985 as the College is yet to develop similar capacity.

2. Sequel to the commencement of the degree programme at the NDA, the NN decided that all Regular Combatant cadets should be trained at NDA while NNC be repositioned to carry out new roles. Accordingly, these new roles for the College were fashioned out in the following training areas:

- a. Attachment programmes for NDA cadets.
- b. Midshipman Phase I training/Post-commissioning training for NDA cadets.
- c. Special Duty Pre-commissioning Training (SDPCT).
- d. Basic and Divisional Course training for Direct Entry Officers.
- e. Management Course for Sub Technical Course (STC) officers.

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### f. Principal Warfare Officers' (PWO) Course.

3. In 1993, the NN stopped the Direct Entry cadets programme with the DE 93 batch and later transferred the training to NDA in 2001 with Direct Short Service Commission (DSSC) Course 12, alongside other sister Services. This was with a view to leverage the benefits of joint training. However, due to lack of uniformity in the Services' enlistment schedules, the aforementioned objective could not be sustained. Consequently, the NN reversed its decision and returned the DSSC training to its premier Naval College in 2014 with DSSC Course 22.

4. Currently, the College conducts training in the training areas listed at Para 2 (a-e) while the PWO Course has been suspended till further notice. I expect you, therefore, to exercise utmost restraint and decorum if you intend to gain the benefits of the training experience from this College. The STC training duration is for 2 weeks, as such this Joining Instruction provides you with the necessary information, clear instructions and uniform rules and regulations required to govern your conduct throughout your stay in the College.

### AIM

5. The aim of the Joining Instructions is to acquaint you with the standing rules and regulations guiding your conduct while on training in the College.

### TRAINING PROGRAMME

6. The training programme for the STC 33/25 will be promulgated by the College Training Wing on weekly basis. The Training Wing will ensure timely dissemination of the Programme to allow UTOs to prepare adequately before the instruction.

### DRESS CODE

7. UTO's must always be properly and smartly dressed. The Under Training Officers (UTOs) are to strictly adhere to the following dress code while in the College during working hours:

- a. Mon, Wed and Fri - No 8. (Barrette)
- b. Tue - No 5. (P Cap)
- c. Thu - No 6 (Forage cap)

### **DISCIPLINE**

8. All UTOs are expected to uphold a very high standard of discipline. You are to adhere to this College Joining Instruction, other College regulations, the AFA Cap A20 laws of the Federation of Nigeria and other extant regulations. Any case of indiscipline will be viewed seriously while in the College. The College will not hesitate to recommend withdrawal of any UTO from the Course in line with the provision of AFA Cap A20 and other extant regulations.

### **COLLEGE DUTIES**

9. During the programme, you will form part of the College Duty Watch and would be supervised by the OOD. UTOs will also be required to perform other duties as may be assigned from time to time. The period of the duty is from 1430 - 0830. UTOs are to adhere to the following dress code while on duty:

- a. Colours and Sunset - No 5 or 6.
- b. Mess Deck Rounds - No 4.
- c. Any other period - No 7.

### **EXTRA CURRICULA ACTIVITIES AND RECREATION**

10. UTO's are to participate in all College activities including games and sports. Sporting and games facilities available at the College include a football pitch, badminton, volley ball and hand ball courts. Wednesday sports is compulsory for all STC officers. UTO's are to wear a white top and track down for the Wednesday sport.

### **FEEDING**

11. The time for meals should be strictly observed:

a. **Daily Harbour Routine.**

- (1) Breakfast - 0630-0700
- (2) Dinner - 1400-1500
- (3) Supper - 1800-1900

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b. **Sunday Routine.**

- (1) Breakfast - 0630-0730
- (2) Dinner - 1330-1430
- (3) Supper - 1800-1900

**SECURITY**

12. The UTO's are expected to be security and safety conscious while in the College due to the current security threat in the Country. Additionally, STC officers are to sign Movement Book at the Command gate while leaving or entering the premises. This is to ensure accountability and to also keep track of location of officers in case of emergency. Suffice to note that the Ebubu-Elleme environs has some volatile hotspot which must be avoided at all times and night movement is not encouraged.

**COURSE OFFICER**

13. Lt AB Abdullahi is nominated as Course Officer for STC 33/25. The officer is to ensure that the UTO's adhere to all the College routines and any issue that may affect training and wellbeing of the UTOs must be brought to the attention of the TC and Dy.

**CONCLUSION**

14. These Joining Instructions for STC Batch 33/25 has spelt out the instructions for conduct of the UTOs during their training in NNC Ebubu. It has also highlighted issues concerning training programme, discipline and security among others. Participation in College duties, extra curricula and recreational activities were also buttressed. It is hoped that STC officer's would face the training with diligence and make the best use of their stay in the College.



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