Danger Team,

During your deployment to Iraq as a member of the Big Red One team, you should be aware of the unique customs and ceremonies of the Iraqi people. This guide provides the basic information on Iraq’s culture by offering you an overview of the country, its people and their language, as well as their lifestyle and beliefs.

The First Infantry Division deployment plays a vital role in securing the peace in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and is pivotal to the reconstruction of a free, democratic Iraq. As a soldier of the First Infantry Division, you are an infantryman first and a warrior always. Combined with your warrior ethos, a thorough cultural understanding of your environment is a major combat multiplier that makes you all the more lethal on the front lines in the war on terrorism.

On a daily basis you will directly or indirectly contribute to Civil Military Operations (CMO) ongoing in your area of operations. Every encounter with an Iraqi civilian is an opportunity to develop respect and trust in us as professional, educated soldiers who are committed to finishing the job we set out to accomplish. Arming you with a comprehensive knowledge of Iraq’s rich and unique traditions, this guide serves as a weapon against ignorance and intolerance that deepens the divide between our forces and the free Iraqi people. My confidence in you as soldiers of this proud division will result in a solid transition of power to the Iraqi people, a safe return home, and a job well done behind us.

DUTY FIRST!

JOHN R. S. BATISTE
Major General, USA
Commanding
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Language: Arabic (by 81% of population), also Kurdish, Assyrian, Armenian, Pashto.

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Iraq has a long history; many believe that the Garden of Eden was situated near Al Basrah, where the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers converge. Known for centuries as Mesopotamia, Sumerians, Babylonians, Assyrians, and the later Arabs lived in Iraq, Iraq became part of the Turkish Ottoman Empire in the 16th century until that empire disintegrated after World War I.

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1958
- Iraq monarchical overthrow in coup by General Abdul Karim Qasim.

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Iraq has a population of 24,683,313 (July 2003 est.). The majority (75 percent) of Iraqis are Arabs, though there is a sizable Kurdish minority that comprises 20 percent of the population. (The remaining 5 percent is comprised of Turkmen, Assyrian, and others.) The Kurds form a majority in the north and northwest of the country where they were forced to settle due to economic constraints and border crossing restrictions. Most are herdsmen and farmers, though many have moved to the cities, particularly Mosul, Kirkuk, and Sulaymaniyah. The Kurds are divided into three separate groups. These groups’ inability to reconcile their differences prevented them from presenting a unified front to both Saddam and the world.

The Arab population is split between the Shi’a majority in the south, and the Sunni, who live mostly in the central part of the country around Baghdad. Two Arab groups that have not been assimilated into the population are the “Marsh Arabs” who inhabited the lower Tigris and Euphrates Rivers’ delta until the Iraqi government drained 90% of the marsh area. Most Marsh Arabs have fled to Iran. The second group is a small Bedouin population who wander the desert regions. Seventy-five percent of the population lives in the flood plains that make up only 25% of the total land area. Nearly 70% of the people live in urban centers, with Baghdad being the largest city.

ARAB WORLD VIEW

An Arab worldview is based upon six concepts: atomism, faith, wish versus reality, justice and equality, paranoia and the importance of family over self.

Atomism. Arabs tend to see the world and events as isolated incidents, snapshots, and particular moments in time. This is a key psychological feature of Arab culture. Westerners look for unifying concepts whereas Arabs focus on parts, rather than on the whole. It also means the Western concept of cause and effect is rarely accepted by Arabs who may not necessarily see a unifying link between events. They do, however, maintain a long-term memory over actions and events. It is important to point out that it is memory, not necessarily history that is important.

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The people in Iraq will be cautious towards Americans and other soldiers of the coalition who overthrew Saddam Hussein. Most Iraqis see themselves as a persecuted people and hold the Coalition Forces, as the occupying power, responsible for resolving all personal and national problems. It is beneficial to show tangible benefits or immediate positive impacts in exchange for cooperation. Due to this fragile relationship, U.S. soldiers need to respect Iraqi customs and culture and treat all civilians with dignity and respect (as appropriate).

Reminder, you are a representative of the United States while in Iraq. It will be important to use good judgment, tact, and diplomacy in any dealings you may have with the people. Most Iraqis will be looking for any sign to reinforce their fears of American misbehavior. To help in this regard, you should become thoroughly familiar with the customs and culture described in this section, particularly the things to do or not do.

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The Kurds

The People:
Possible descendents of the “Karduchi,” fierce mountain warriors, they inhabit an area the size of California covering portions of Turkey, Syria, Iraq, Iran, and Armenia. The Kurdish language originated in northwest Iran and is related to Farsi and Pashto. There are two main dialects, Kurmanji and Sorani (Kurdi).

Religion:
Own distinct religion for 1500 years - Yezidism
Most converted to Islam in 800 A.D. In Iraq they are predominately Sunni.
Kurdish History
- Located along Silk Road – traded Kurdish rugs and other crafts
- 1500s – traders began using sea routes instead
- Treaty of Sèvres (1920) promised an autonomous Kurdistan – never ratified
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- Tribal units led by a sheikh (800 tribes), facilitated by isolation of mountains
- Recognize tribes by one’s last name
- Tribal identification still exists, but is decreasing
- Traditionally have been more loyal to tribes than to Kurdistan as a nation
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Military Reputation
- In demand as mercenaries in many armies
- Saladin – Muslim General who repossessed Jerusalem and much of Holy Land from Crusaders – was a Kurd
- Kurdish guerrillas are known as pesh mergas, “those who are prepared to die”
- Excellent mountain climbers and cold weather survivors

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The Turkoman

The People:
- Comprise about 2% of total Iraqi population
- Muslim
- Speak Turkish
- Have been persecuted by Iraqis and Kurds
  - Forced to attend school in Arabic / Kurdish
  - Cannot buy or sell land
  - Turkish names of cities changed to Arabic
  - Turkomans' fertile lands seized by government
  - Cannot preach sermons in mosques in Turkman language

Turkoman political organizations:
- Turkmen People Party (TPP)
- Iraqi National Turkman Party (INTP)
- Turkmenli Party
- Turkmen Islamic Union
- Iraqi Turkoman Front (ITF)
PART II
RELIGION

Islam is the state religion of Iraq and about 97% of the population belongs to either the Sh'a (60%) or the Sunni (37%) sect. The better-educated Sunnis have traditionally dominated government; since 1958, most members of the government have been Sunni. The Kurds are also Sunni, but their religious practices differ from those of the Arabs. The Islamic religion is based on the "submission to the will of God (Allah)" and governs everything from politics to crime and punishment to morality in daily life. The Qur'an and Sunnah are the two basic sources of Islamic teachings. The Qur'an is the main religious book for Muslims; it is the spoken word of Allah (God). The Sunnah is complementary to the Qur'an and contains the sayings of the Prophet Muhammad (Allah) and his way of life. Muslims accept and reverse all major Judeo-Christian prophets from Adam to Jesus, but they proclaim Muhammad to be the last and greatest. Although Iraq is secular country, the traditional Islamic culture predominates, with Qu'ranic Law playing an active role in the day-to-day life in the country.

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The Sunnis recognize these first four, or caliphs (Arabic = successor), as illegitimate. The Caliphs were the rulers of Islam (caliph, [Arabic] /"caliph" [English]) and served as the spiritual head and temporal ruler of the Islamic state. In principle, Islam is theocratic: when Muhammad the Prophet died, a caliph (Arabic = successor) was chosen to rule in his place. The caliph had temporal and spiritual authority but did not possess prophetic power; this was reserved for Muhammad. The caliph could not, therefore, exercise authority in matters of religious doctrine. The first caliph was Abu Bakr, and he was followed by Umar ibn al-Khattab, Uthman ibn Affan, and Ali ibn Abi Talib.

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Maulid Nabi: This day is remembered as the birthday of the Prophet Muhammad. It is a very popular day of celebration. There are no special prayers or religious services. "Isra’ and Miraj: Night the Prophet Muhammad journeyed from Mecca to Jerusalem and then his ascension to heaven. There are no special prayers. Muslims remember this day with varying degrees of enthusiasm and devotion. Some people do not celebrate it at all.

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WOMEN

Arab women are definitely subordinate to men in their society. The extent varies by country, and you cannot generalize. The most restrictive conditions exist on the Arabian Peninsula, and the most relaxed conditions exist in Egypt, Syria, and Lebanon. In Iraq, dress codes for women are still conservative with women wearing headscarves in public. Dresses are cut low, from below the knee to the ankle and blouses cover the shoulder and much of the arm. Women in Iraq do not hold managerial positions and their opinions and input will most likely be ignored. Do not show any type of interest in an Arab woman or female members of an Arab family. Do not photograph them, stare at them or try to speak to them. Do not ask about women, it is considered too personal and rude. It is best to ask about the "family," not a person's wife, sister, or daughter. Men should stand when a woman enters the room. Public displays of affection between the sexes, even foreigners, are unacceptable. Arab society has a basically negative stereotyped impression of Western women as loose or immoral. Female soldiers need to be careful not to reinforce this impression by their dress and conduct.

As a Male, Do:

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DO: Use your right hand in eating, drinking, offering, passing or receiving anything.
DO: Try all different foods offered you (SEE PART IV first!). You may ask about a dish that is unfamiliar to you.
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DO: Compliment your host on the food and wish him always a full table.
DO: Take your leave promptly after the second or third round of coffee or tea after a meal. Arabs usually socialize and converse before the meal, not after.
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DO NOT: Expect an Iraqi to be as time conscious as an American. An agreed upon time is an approximate guideline, not a rigid requirement.

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DO: Understand and respect the devoutness of Muslims.
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PART IV
USING THE ARABIC LANGUAGE

Arabs appreciate attempts to learn and use their language. Don’t be afraid to try out some of the Arabic words and phrases in this section if you get the opportunity. Any effort to speak the language will go a long way toward establishing good will and good relationships with the people in the AOR. Arabic is a Semitic language written from right to left, but numerals are written from left to right. There are 10 numerals Arabic is considered to be the language of Allah. The Qur’an is written in Arabic, as is some of the world’s finest poetry. It is Iraq’s official language and is spoken by over 197 million persons worldwide. Occasional English is spoken in official and business in Iraq. Kurdish, Assyrian, and Armenian are also spoken.

USEFUL WORDS AND PHRASES

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Do not move: la ta-ha-HAR-rak

Hands up: IR-fa' yed-ay-yick

Turn around: DUUR

Drop your weapons: IRMI SILAHEK

Turn right/left: DUUR ee-la

Who is in charge: man al-mas-ool

Give up/surrender: ISTASLEEM

Give me: a-TEE-NEE or IN-TENI

Who is in charge: man al-mas-ool

Give up/surrender: ISTASLEEM or SALEEM NEFSIK

I Give Up! TASLEEM
Non-governmental organization (NGO): Moo-NUTH-thum-ah
GHER HUKUMIA
Humanitarian assistance: Moo-SA'id-AT INSANIA
American: Am-REE-kee
We are Americans: NAH-noo am-REE-kee-oon
You are safe: an-ta fee A-min
Don't be afraid: la ta-KHAF
Move to: TAHAREK EE-la
Assembly area: MUN-la-qah il-la-JEM-mu'
Civilian camp: Moo-KHAY-yum MED-da-nee
Collection Point NUQ-tah il-TEJ-mee-a'
Show me ___: SHOOFNEE / MUMKIN ASHOOF
Ration agent: Wa-KEEL AT-taq-NEEN

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PART V
KNOW YOUR AREA OF OPERATIONS

KEY PROVINCES

Salah Ad Din
Population: 1,146,500
Ethnicity and Religion:
Predominately Sunni Arab,
Shia Arab.
Major Cities: Bayji, Tikrit,
Samara, Balad and Taji
Major Roads: Highway 1 runs
north to south and Route 12
runs east to west.
Provincial Governor: Hosin
Jasem Mohamed al-Jbouri

At Tamim
Population: Approximately
950,000
Ethnicity and Religion:
Predominately Kurdish,
Turkomen and Arab
Major Cities: Kirkuk and Dibs
Major Roads: Route 12
runs northeast.
Provincial Governor: Abdul
Rahman Mustafa (Kurdish)
Bayji: **LOCATION**: On the Tigris river about 150 km north of Baghdad. 

Saddam's clan and his tribe are still predominant. Tikrit is a major LOC between Baghdad and Northern Iraq. 

**IMPORTANCE**: Kuwaiti troops recently took over the town. The battle of Jalula helped in the rise of the Islamic religion. 

**LOCATION**: 30 kms from the Iran-Iraq border and 130 km Northeast of Baghdad.

Bayyil: **ETHNIC AND RELIGION**: Sunni Arab. 

**POPULATION**: 201,000 

**IMPORTANCE**: Highway 1 and Route 12 run through town. It is the regional electrical power source. It has the largest petroleum factories in Northern Iraq and it is the critical communication link between Baghdad and Northern Iraq. It has an oil pipeline to Kirkuk. 

**LOCATION**: 50 miles North of Baghdad.

**Jalula**: 

**ETHNIC AND RELIGION**: 10% Shia, 90% Sunni, Kurdish. 

**POPULATION**: 52,000 

**IMPORTANCE**: Kurdish troops recently took over the town. The battle of Jalula helped in the rise of the Islamic religion. 

**LOCATION**: 30 kms from the Iran-Iraq border and 130 km Northeast of Baghdad.

Balad: **ETHNIC AND RELIGION**: Sunni Arab. 

**POPULATION**: approximately 3,000 

**IMPORTANCE**: Headquarters location of the 4th ID. 

**LOCATION**: 50 miles North of Baghdad.

Samarra: **ETHNIC AND RELIGION**: Shia/Sunni Arab mix- Shiite Muslims. 

**POPULATION**: 201,000 

**IMPORTANCE**: Capital of the Salah Ad Din province. Samarra has a large chemical weapons production facility located there. 

**LOCATION**: Stretches for over 40 km along the banks of the Tigris. 125 km North of Baghdad.

**DIYALA** 

**POPULATION**: 1,400,000 

**ETHNICITY AND RELIGION**: Predominately Sunni Arab, Kurdish, and Shia. 

**MAJOR CITIES**: Baqubah, Al-Mudabiyah, Mansuriyeh, As Sadayeh, Jadala, Khariqun, and Kiti. 

**MAJOR ROADS**: Highway 4 runs north and Highway 5 runs west to south. 

**PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR**: Abdullah Hassan Rasheed al-Jburi (Sunni)

**BAQUBAH**: 

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**SAMARRA**: 

**ETHNIC AND RELIGION**: Predominately Shia. 

**POPULATION**: 201,000 

**IMPORTANCE**: Capital of the Salah Ad Din province.

**LOCATION**: Stretches for over 40 km along the banks of the Tigris. 125 km North of Baghdad.
**Baghdad:**

**ETHNIC AND RELIGION:** Majority Muslims, and Arabs. There are also a substantial Christian population, and a tiny Jewish population. Kurds and Armenians. There are also groups of Indians, Afghans and Turks. There are numerous churches around Baghdad, belonging to the Nestorians, Armenian Orthodox, Chaldean Catholics and Syrian Catholics. Among the expatriate community there are also small Russian Orthodox, Protestants and Roman Catholic communities.

**POPULATION:** 5,605,000

**LOCATION:** On the Diyala River, 60 kilometers northeast of Baghdad.

**Kirkuk:**

**ETHNIC AND RELIGION:** Kurdish, Assyrian, Turkmen and Arab origin. The majority are Sunni Muslims, there is also a sizeable community of Christians of the Nestorian branch.

**POPULATION:** 728,000

**OUT OF SECTOR CITIES:**

**Baghdad:**

**ETHNIC AND RELIGION:** Predominately Sunni Arab.

**POPULATION:** 100,000

**IMPORTANCE:** Was the primary location for Iraq's indigenous long-range missile program.

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Daura: Al-Daura power plant. This is one of Iraq's main power plants. Daura also accommodates one of the country's oil refineries.

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OCTOBER 03 Independence Day (from League of Nations mandate under British administration, 1932)
OCTOBER 27 – NOVEMBER 27 Ramadan

POLITICAL PARTIES AND ABBREVIATIONS:


(INC) Iraqi National Congress: Ahmed Chalabi is the leader. Opposition group.

(KDP) Kurdistan Democratic Party: Massoud Barzani is the leader. Supports broad-based secular government.

(INA) Iraqi National Accord: Iyad Allawi is the leader. Wants to achieve Democratic pluralistic regime that respects human rights and lives peacefully with its citizens, neighbors and the whole world. Advocates the removal of Saddam’s regime.

(ADM) Assyrian Democratic Movement: Yonadam Kanna is the leader. Secular.


Al-Sadr: Moqtada al-Sadr is the leader. Radical group against Governing Council. Wants to create an Islamic state.

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Al-Sadr: Moqtada al-Sadr is the leader. Radical group against Governing Council. Wants to create an Islamic state.
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12. Aquila al-Hashimi, foreign affairs expert (Shaia) Mr. al-Hashimi is a former diplomat who worked in the foreign ministry. Saddam Hussein, 14 years based in Saudi Arabia. He is a close relative of Sheikh Mohsen Adil al-Yawar, head of the powerful Shamar tribe, which comprises both Sunnis and Shia.

13. Raja Habib al-Khuzaa, southern tribal leader (Shaia) Mr. Khuzaa is in charge of a maternity hospital in southern Iraq. She studied and lived in Britain in the 1960s and 1970s, before returning to Iraq in 1977. Little is known about her political allegiances.

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20. Mohsen Abdul Hamid, Iraqi Islamic Party (Sunni) Mr. Hamid is the secretary general of the Iraqi Islamic Party.
22. Waed Abdul Latif, Baarba governor (Shia) Mr. Latif has served as judge since the early 1980s and is currently deputy head of the Baarba court. He was imprisoned for one year under the regime.
23. Mouwafak al-Rabii, (Shia) A British-educated doctor who lived for many years in London. He is also the author of a book on Iraq Shia and a human rights activist.
24. Dara Noor Atizin, Judge A judge who was condemned to three years in jail under Saddam Hussein for ruling that one of his edicts on confiscating land was unconstitutional.
25. Abdel Karim Mahoud al-Mohammedawi, Huszbihal from Amara (Shia) Mr. al-Mohammedawi has spent much of his life leading a resistance movement against Saddam Hussein in the southern marshes. He spent six years in jail under the regime.

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LOCATION: Southern and Central Iraq
PARAMILITARY: Badr Corps

Al-Da'Wa al-Islamiyya: Means "Invitation to believe in true religion". Was created to combat al-Qa'ida (a fundamentalist). Part of Iraqi Governing Council. Member names are Ezzedine Salim and Ibrahim al-Jaafari.
LOCATION: Largely controls Nasiriya. Has recently set up office in Baghdad.
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LEADER: Naqmi al-Din Faraj, also known as Mullah Krekar (Kurdish leader since 1998)
GOALS: Islamic government for independent Kurdistan
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Establishment of Leninist government for autonomous region of Iraqi Kurdistan.

Member name is Jalal Talabani

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GOALS: Islamic government for autonomous region of Iraq. Has previously worked with Iran in order to fight the prior regime. Continues to receive financial aid from Iran.

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LEADER: Yonadam Y. Kanna (Assyrian Christian)
GOALS: Recognition of national Assyrian rights, self-determination, end of religious persecution, particularly of Christians, secular government
LOCATION: Northern Iraq

Iraqi Turkoman Front (ITF): Established 1995 as coalition of 26 Turkoman groups. Supported by Turkey
LEADER: Sar'an Ahmad Agha (Turkoman leader since Nov 2000)
GOALS: Major role in future governance of Kirkuk (viewed as Turkoman capital) and Irbil
LOCATION: Head office in Kirkuk

Iraqi Turkoman People's Party (ITPP): Not supported by Turkey
LEADER: Turhan Ketene
GOALS: Creation of central government comprised of Democratic Iraqi Republic.
LOCATION: Offices in Kirkuk and Irbil
Now called Former Regime Loyalists (FRL) or Baath Party Loyalists

**KEY GROUPS**

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Other features: The Al Quds is an Iraqi-manufactured, heavy-barreled version of the 7.62 mm AKM assault rifle and uses the standard AKM 30-round box magazine

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- IEDs do share a common set of components and consist of the following:
  - An initiation system or fuze.
  - Explosive fill.
  - A detonator.
  - A power supply for the detonator.
  - A container.

IED INCIDENT VS. NON-IED INCIDENT:

IED Incidents:
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- 120-mm HE mortar with hole drilled in shipping cap with an electric blasting cap inserted (placed in a sandbag). Suicide vest—leather-look sleeveless waistcoat with explosives and ball bearing sewn into the interior.
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  - Thrown in front of approaching vehicles from roadside.
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  - Emplaced along MSRs and alternate supply routes (targeting vehicles).
  - Employed along unimproved roads (targeting patrols).
  - Employed with 120-mm and larger artillery or mortar projectiles.
  - Found alone or in groups.
  - IEDs behind which are placed cinder blocks or piles of sand to direct blast into the kill zone.
  - Command detonated—either by wire or remote device.
  - Time-delay triggered IEDs. IEDs that can be detonated by cordless phone from a car (allows for mobile firing platform and prevents tracing or triangulation).

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Part VI

Desert Operations

Effects on Personnel

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Wind seems to be a constant factor in desert environments. The combination of wind and dust or sand can cause extreme irritation to the mucous membranes, chapping the lips and other exposed skin surfaces. Eye irritation is a frequent complaint of vehicle crews, even when wearing goggles. Fast, wind blown sand can be extremely painful on bare skin, another reason one should remain fully clothed. Bandannas should be worn to cover the mouth and nose.

Potable water is the most basic need in the desert. Approximately 75% of the human body is fluid. A loss of two quarts decreases efficiency by 25% and a loss of fluid equal to 15% of body weight is usually fatal. Approximately nine quarts of water per soldier per day is needed in desert terrain. It is important to separate drinking and non-drinking water. Drinking any water from an untested source is dangerous, and will likely make you sick. In very hot conditions, it is better to drink smaller amounts of water more often than to take large amounts occasionally. As activity increases, you should drink more water. Alcohol and smoking cause dehydration and should be avoided (General Order #1). One cannot be trained to adjust permanently to a reduced water intake. An acclimated person will need as much water because he likely sweats more readily than a new arrival. If the water ration is

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Dehydration is very dangerous. Thirst is not an adequate warning of dehydration because the sensation may not be felt until there is a body deficiency of one to two quarts. Very dark urine is often a warning of dehydration. Leaders must be aware of water consumption of their soldiers, especially during the acclimation period. Those who do not monitor their water intake may be subject to injuries from excessive loss of body fluid. Injuries include heat exhaustion (causes dizziness and confusion), salt deficiency (insults in fatigue, nausea, and cramps), and heat stroke (where the body's cooling system breaks down and can lead to death).

The desert is not a pristine environment. Diseases commonly found in a desert environment include plague, typhus, malaria, dysentery, cholera, and typhoid. Vaccines can help prevent typhoid and cholera. Proper sanitation and cleanliness can prevent the spread of typhus and plague. Because of water shortages, sanitation and personal hygiene are often difficult in arid regions. If neglected, sanitation and hygiene problems may cripple entire units. Drinking impure water brings dysentery. Check minor cuts and scratches to prevent infections. As previously mentioned, heat illnesses are common in desert environments; insufficient water, dietary salt, or food (people often lose the desire for food in hot climates) make you more susceptible to heat illnesses.

From the psychological perspective, the monotony of the desert, its emptiness, and the fear of isolation can all affect personnel eventually. The relatively constant climatic conditions add to this monotony, and boredom lowers morale. Commanders in the Saudi desert indicated that the first weeks of the deployment were especially tough in this regard. Intensive training in preparation for hostilities is the best answer to reduce boredom and desert fatigue.

Effects on Equipment

The extreme conditions in a arid environment can damage military equipment and facilities. Temperature and dryness are major causes of equipment failure, and wind action lifts and spreads sand and dust, clogging and jamming anything that has moving parts. Vehicles, aircraft, sensors, and weapons are all affected. Rubber components such as gaskets and seals become brittle, and oil leaks are more frequent. The desert takes a particularly heavy toll on tires. Tires absorb the surface heat, their structure is weakened, and jagged rocks can cause punctures. Tire pressure must be constantly checked and adjusted. The large temperature variations between night and day can change the air density in the tire; tires deflate at night and expand in the day.

Vehicle engines are subject to greater strain because of overheating. Every ten degree rise
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RISK ASSESSMENT

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- Talk openly with your buddy or unit leader about anything that troubles you. Don’t be afraid to seek the help of a chaplain.
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- Drink fluids according to water table consumption rates and heat index. Comply with recommended work/rest cycles. Keep an eye on your buddy.
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Respiratory Disease. Respiratory diseases such as influenza, colds and sore throats can be highly contagious, particularly in crowded conditions.

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U.S. medical personnel only use sterile, unopened needles and syringes. Immediately wash the area with clean water and report for medical care if you are accidentally cut or struck with a sharp object. Comply with Hepatitis B vaccinations.

Hazardous Animals and Plants

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Prevention.

Avoid venomous insects. Stings must be reported immediately to medical personnel. Military personnel with a known allergy to bee stings should carry a bee sting kit. Do not go barefoot, sleep directly on the ground, or put hands or feet in crevices or holes. Shake out
Tips on Protecting your Health

There is a high risk of disease in this part of the world. Many visitors suffer illness during their stay, but it doesn’t have to happen to you. To avoid sickness, be careful and keep in mind the advice contained in this section. Benefit from the experience of others.

WATER

Obtain food, water and ice from an approved source only. Check the cap on a bottle of water to ensure the plastic seal is intact. Consider all untreated fresh water contaminated. Drink plenty of fluids, even when you aren’t thirsty. Comply with intake recommendations from the heat index. Monitor urine. Dark urine or no urine indicates your fluid intake is not adequate. Do not bathe, swim or wade in bodies of water unless mission dictates it is necessary.

FOOD

Do not purchase food from the local economy. Sanitation standards in the country are not the same and consumption will lead to illness.

ANIMALS AND DISEASE

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**Ministry:** Interior  
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**Uniform:** Light blue shirts  
**Weapons:** Pistols, shotguns, AKs  
**Pay:** Civil pay scale  
**Strength:** Final figure 65,000 nationwide

### Iraqi Civil Defense Corps (ICDC)
**Ministry:** National Security Defense  
**Duties:** Individuals, teams, and squads who serve as HUMINT, fixed site security, drivers, Disaster Relief, HA, and Port Security  
**Uniform:** Solid brown  
**Weapons:** AKs  
**Pay:** Civil pay scale  
**Strength:** Initial 18,846 man Bns (1 per Governorate) = 15,000 total

### Facilities Protection Service (FPS)
**Ministry:** Work for all ministries/governmental agencies...can also be privately hired...Ministry of Interior sets & enforces standards. Includes Oil, Electricity Police and Port Security  
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**Duties:** Collective military tasks to protect the internal integrity of Iraq under Iraqi military leadership, serving side-by-side with Coalition forces  
**Uniform:** Light blue shirts  
**Weapons:** Pistols, shotguns, AKs  
**Pay:** Civil pay scale  
**Strength:** Final figure 65,000 nationwide

### Facilities Protection Service (FPS)
**Ministry:** Work for all ministries/governmental agencies...can also be privately hired...Ministry of Interior sets & enforces standards. Includes Oil, Electricity Police and Port Security  
**Uniform:** Various, modified  
**Weapons:** Pistols, shotguns, AKs  
**Pay:** Civil pay scale  
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### Iraqi Civil Defense Corps (ICDC)
**Ministry:** National Security Defense  
**Duties:** Individuals, teams, and squads who serve as HUMINT, fixed site security, drivers, Disaster Relief, HA, and Port Security  
**Uniform:** Solid brown  
**Weapons:** AKs  
**Pay:** Civil pay scale  
**Strength:** Initial 18,846 man Bns (1 per Governorate) = 15,000 total

### Iraqi Correctional Service
**Ministry:** Work for all ministries/governmental agencies...can also be privately hired...Ministry of Interior sets & enforces standards. Includes Oil, Electricity Police and Port Security  
**Uniform:** White shirts  
**Weapons:** Pistols, shotguns, AKs  
**Pay:** Civil pay scale (lower than Police / NIA) or Contract  
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APPENDIX C
IRAQI LICENSE PLATES

Government

Personal

Imported Vehicle

Taxi Cabs, Buses

Construction Vehicle

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Imported into Iraq after May 2003

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