

# Air Operations Command

During every day routine service, the Air Operation Command (AOCOM) fulfills central mission-related command tasks for the DEU Air Force and the entire Bundeswehr. The Air Force Operations Centre, the security of the German airspace, the generation of a recognized operational air picture, and the Space Situational Awareness Centre are central elements within the scope of this mission.

The Air Intelligence Centre provides air-related military intelligence to the Air Force and other elements of the national military intelligence community.



With respect to international commitments to NATO and/or the EU, the AOCOM established a multinational staffed Joint Force Air Component Headquarters (JFAC HQ DEU). This Headquarters provides the capability to efficiently and effectively plan and conduct air operations in any theatre worldwide.

From training to individual mission planning up to Command and Control of assigned forces through the JFAC HQ DEU the AOCOM consistently and continuously provides the full spectrum of air competences.

## Synergy



NATO Combined Air Operations Centre Uedem, Joint Air Power Competence Centre, and Air Operations Command attach particular importance to this term which is a synonym for the close cooperation among the members of the Kalkar/Uedem Military Community. The combined competences and available resources are particularly valuable for the conduct of AirC2 Training.

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# Air Operations Command Kalkar



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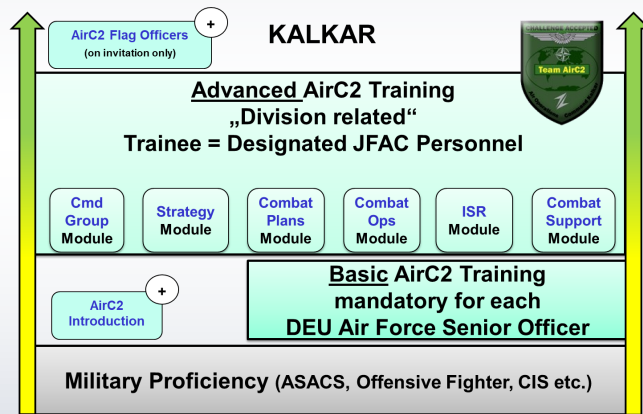
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# Air Command & Control Training

Based on the Lessons Learned from previous Bundeswehr and NATO operations, the officer and staff officer training in the DEU Air Force was restructured.

The DEU Air Force Officer Academy provides the fundamental officer training and the leadership training in which particular emphasis is placed on air force capabilities. Once this foundation is provided the basic Air Command & Control (AirC2) training is conducted. This training is designed to convey in-depth knowledge about mission, organization and employment of air power as well as the planning and execution of air operations.



These AirC2 skills are provided during the basic training course conducted at the AOCOM in Kalkar. This course will prepare the student for an assignment in a national or multinational command post.

The AirC2 training program will be supplemented by AirC2 advanced modules which are specifically designed for personnel designated for an assignment in a Joint Force Air Component Headquarters (JFAC HQ).

On top senior military leaders will be introduced to up-to-date AirC2 related developments by joining the Flag Officer training.

## Basic Training

In accordance with the DEU Air Force AirC2 Training Concept, dated 24 July 2018 the overall objective is to enable every Air Force staff officer to assume air-specific tasks and functions in a national or multinational command post at tactical and/or operational level.



During the two-week “AirC2 Basic Training” course conducted at AOCOM in Kalkar, the basic principles of air operations using real life examples gathered from experiences during Operation Unified Protector (OUP), NRF 2012, NRF 2018 and current operations, will be taught.

The operational Command and Control (C2) process and the planning of complex air operations in a JFAC HQ are the key elements of the training program for designated staff officers.



All elements of the AirC2 Training at AOCOM comply with applicable NATO standards. Consequently DEU AirC2 TC was accredited as NATO proved training facility in 2020. As such students from other nations may also attend the course on a seats available basis.

## Advanced Modules

Personnel earmarked for a post in a JFAC HQ will receive a specific training and if necessary follow on workshops. These courses are specifically tailored to the respective divisions and their appropriate tasks. Subsequently these training modules with their mission tailored elements are offered for each division within a standard JFAC HQ structure.

In accordance with the command post architecture, six different training courses plus an Introduction module have been established:

**AirC2 INTRODUCTION (optional)**

**COMMAND GROUP**

**STRATEGY**

**COMBAT PLANS**

**COMBAT OPERATIONS**

**COMBAT SUPPORT**

**INTELLIGENCE SURVEILLANCE  
RECONNAISSANCE**

These training modules will enable the student, to execute the tasks to be conducted within his/her respective division of a JFAC HQ.