

Victory Block Leave Fact Sheet

Leave for Initial Entry Training Soldiers is scheduled from 19 December 2014 through 3 January 2015. No training will occur during this period.

Leave: Soldiers, who have not yet accrued the 17 days of leave which are authorized, are allowed to take an advanced leave in order to spend the holiday season with friends and family. Soldiers earn 2.5 days of leave per month, and will recuperate the leave over the next calendar year.

Soldiers are not required to take leave. Any Soldier who elects to remain at Ft. Jackson will be assigned to an administrative company, the Holdover Company, while the Lightning Battalion Cadre are on leave. During the holiday period, the Holdover Company will conduct a half-day work schedule, and have access to several Family Morale Welfare and Recreation (FMWR) holiday events and to religious services.

THE ONLY AUTHORIZED MODES OF TRANSPORTATION ARE LISTED BELOW:

| | Transportation Mode | Departure Window From Fort Jackson | Return Window To Fort Jackson |
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| 1. | Privately Owned Vehicle (POV) | 19th 1200-1800 December 2014 [noon - 6:00 pm] | 03 2359 January 2015 (3 January [11:59 pm]) |
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| | Transportation Mode | Departure Window From Transportation Mode | Return Window To Transportation Mode |
| 2A. | Columbia Metropolitan Airport (CAE) | No Earlier Than 6:00 am of the 20th of December | 03 2150 January 2015 (3 January [9:50 pm]) |
| 2B. | Charlotte Douglas International Airport (CLT) | No Earlier Than 6:00 am of the 20th of December | 03 2150 January 2015 (3 January [9:50 pm]) |
| 3. | Columbia, SC Amtrak Station (CLB) | No Earlier Than 1:30 am of the 20th of December | 03 2150 January 2015 (3 January [9:50 pm]) |
| 4. | Greyhound Bus Transportation | No Earlier Than 3:45 am of the 20th of December | 03 2150 January 2015 (3 January [9:50 pm]) |

Additional Notes:

1. All Soldiers departing by POV are only authorized to depart Fort Jackson between noon - 6:00 pm on 19th of December 2014. Only immediate family members (i.e. parents, sibling, aunt/uncle, grandparents, etc.) are authorized to pick up by POV. Extenuating circumstances or exception to this rule can be approved by the commander. Your issue must be presented to him no later than 8 December 2014 for consideration.
2. All Soldiers departing by Airplane, Train, or Greyhound bus are only authorized to departure from their transportation nodes at the designated timeframes.
3. All Parents, guardians, and/or immediate family members must adhere to the published guidelines of their Soldier mode of transportation. If strict adherences to these guidelines are not followed your Soldier may not be allowed to travel due to safety issues and concerns.
4. If you have any questions regarding Victory Block Leave please contact your Soldier's Chain of Command.

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