

AIR FORCE JUNIOR ROTC INSIGNIA

CADET OFFICER RANK



SECOND
LIEUTENANT



FIRST
LIEUTENANT



CAPTAIN



MAJOR



LIEUTENANT
COLONEL



COLONEL

CADET ENLISTED RANK

(no rank insignia)

AIRMAN BASIC



AIRMAN



AIRMAN
FIRST CLASS



SENIOR
AIRMAN



STAFF
SERGEANT



TECHNICAL
SERGEANT



MASTER
SERGEANT



SENIOR
MASTER
SERGEANT



CHIEF
MASTER
SERGEANT

Phonetic Alphabet and Military Time



Phonetic Alphabet

Letter	Pronunciation	Letter	Pronunciation
A	Alpha	N	November
B	Bravo	O	Oscar
C	Charlie	P	Papa
D	Delta	Q	Quebec
E	Echo	R	Romeo
F	Foxtrot	S	Sierra
G	Golf	T	Tango
H	Hotel	U	Uniform
I	India	V	Victor
J	Juliet	W	Whiskey
K	Kilo	X	X Ray
L	Lima	Y	Yankee
M	Mike	Z	Zulu

Military Time / the "24-Hour" Clock

Commonly known as "military" time, and formally referred as Universal Military Time [UMT], the 24-hour clock is the normal method of indicating time when using your radio.

Converting to military time is quick and easy with a little practice. Since the day is divided into 24-hours, references to "AM" or "PM" are no longer needed. Any number higher than 1200 equals a PM time period.

Another benefit of using military time is that time is always referred to in hundreds of hours. For example, 0200 Hours is reported as "Zero Two Hundred Hours" and 1700 Hours is reported as Seventeen Hundred Hours.

So the next time you are listening to your radio or watching a military movie and someone says its "2130 hours" -- you'll now be able to use simple subtraction to find civilian time: $2130 - 1200 = 9:30 \text{ PM}$

- AM -		- PM -				
Military	=	Civilian	=	Military	=	Civilian
0001 Hrs	=	12:01 AM		1201 Hrs	=	12:01 PM
0100 Hrs	=	1:00 AM		1300 Hrs	=	1:00 PM
0200 Hrs	=	2:00 AM		1400 Hrs	=	2:00 PM
0300 Hrs	=	3:00 AM		1500 Hrs	=	3:00 PM
0400 Hrs	=	4:00 AM		1600 Hrs	=	4:00 PM
0500 Hrs	=	5:00 AM		1700 Hrs	=	5:00 PM
0600 Hrs	=	6:00 AM		1800 Hrs	=	6:00 PM
0700 Hrs	=	7:00 AM		1900 Hrs	=	7:00 PM
0800 Hrs	=	8:00 AM		2000 Hrs	=	8:00 PM
0900 Hrs	=	9:00 AM		2100 Hrs	=	9:00 PM
1000 Hrs	=	10:00 AM		2200 Hrs	=	10:00 PM
1100 Hrs	=	11:00 AM		2300 Hrs	=	11:00 PM
1200 Hrs	=	12 Noon		2400 Hrs	=	12 Midnight
				or	=	
				0000 Hrs		

- Some military people use terms similar to a form of "military shorthand" when referring to time. For example, the term "Oh Dark Thirty" is not an actual time. But military people use the term to refer to "sometime during the middle of the night" or "sometime very, very early in the morning."
- Sometimes a military person will refer to Zero Five Hundred [0500 Hours] as "Oh Five Hundred." The **0**500 is a number, not a letter, so the reference is technically incorrect. However, it's not an uncommon reference.
- Official military time for mid-night is 0000 Hrs, but many people and reputable sources also use 2400 Hrs.