

O-0406
USE WHISTLE SIGNALS

CONDITIONS

You are part of a team in the field, and wish to communicate using a whistle.

OJECTIVES

Demonstrate the four whistle signals correctly.

TRAINING AND EVALUATION

Training Outline

1. Whistle signals are used to transmit commands along the search line or whenever team members are separated too far for voice communications.
2. Normally, team members do not repeat whistle signals that they here. This can cause confusion. However, if you believe the signal can't be heard by some members of the team, repeat the signal you hear.
3. The whistle signals are:
 - a. 1 short blast -- Forward the line (team moves forward)
 - b. 2 short blasts -- Stop the line (team stops). If you are moving and hear only one blast, stop anyway.
 - c. 3 short blasts -- Help or danger signal (Stop immediately)
 - d. 1 long blast -- Assemble on the signal origin (the person blowing the whistle)

Additional Information

More detailed information on this topic is available in Chapter 7 of the Ground Team Member & Leader Reference Text.

Evaluation Preparation

Setup: Ensure that the student has a whistle.

Brief Student: Tell the student to demonstrate, one at a time, the whistle signals listed below.

Evaluation

<u>Performance measures</u>	<u>Results</u>	
1. Demonstrates the halt whistle signal	P	F
2. Demonstrates the assemble whistle signal	P	F
3. Demonstrates the help whistle signal	P	F
4. Demonstrates the forward whistle signal	P	F

Student must receive a pass on all performance measures to qualify in this task. If the individual fails any measure, show what was done wrong and how to do it correctly.