

ABOUT US

For more than 60 years, the Oldenburg (Holstein) garrison has been the home of specialist engineers, whose special role in logistics is to pave the way for other forces and provide them with expert advice in an extended task spectrum. With this tradition and the expertise available on site in mind, a joint training and exercise center for all specialist engineers of the Bundeswehr was established in Schleswig-Holstein in the immediate vicinity of the Putlos Training Area on 1 October 2006. The Specialist Engineer Training and Exercise Center Putlos, which evolved from the Putlos Pipeline Engineer Training Facility, is an independent agency of the Joint Support and Enabling Service that is unique to the Bundeswehr. When the Bundeswehr Logistics School in Osterholz-Scharmbeck was activated, the Center was placed under its command.



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DIFFERENT TYPES OF
TRAINING AND
COURSES

~ 200
TRAINEES

~ 6

EXERCISE-
ROTATIONS

~ 1.200
PARTICIPANTS

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Specialist Engineer Training and Exercise Center Putlos



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Major Armin Weiss has served as Director of the Specialist Engineer Training and Exercise Center since 12 September 2023.

In this role he has the overall responsibility for the Center's routine and training operations.

The Specialist Engineer Training and Exercise Center Putlos (SETEC Putlos) conducts course-based and post-related training for specialist engineer forces, and elements of unit-level training for reinforced camp construction/operation platoons and pipeline construction/operation platoons.

In addition, it provides training facilities and special infrastructure for pipeline engineer specialist training and for elements of the unit-level and course-based training of fuel supply transshipment and transport personnel.



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CAMP OSTSEEBLICK

Using the modules available at Camp Ostseeblick, units up to company size can practice the construction, conversion, and operation of a camp with regard to air-conditioning technology, power generation, electrical system, mechanics, and water treatment within the scope of their preparation for deployment. A special feature of the Camp is its water purification and bottling system, which is unique to the Bundeswehr and can fill up to 1,300 bottles per hour, thus forming a key element of in-theatre drinking water supply.



CAMP OPERATION SPECIALIST TRAINING

Specialist training at skill levels 6 (SNCOs) and 7 (JNCOs) provides personnel with the necessary expertise in their respective domain. All chief instructors and their assistant SNCOs are experts in their field and gladly share their expertise and operational experience with trainees, in line with the principle of implementing lessons learned to prepare for future operations.

Trainees are intended to acquire a basic understanding of the role the individual camp components play in the construction and operation of a camp, and thorough knowledge as to how to handle these components. The following fields of expertise are addressed:

- Mechanics
- Air-conditioning technology
- Electronics
- Power generating units

Training in the different fields of expertise as part of competence-based training, for example, includes the following contents (subject to skill level):

- Set-up of containers and peripheral equipment
- Inspection of incoming/outgoing containers
- Planning, conduct, and evaluation of maintenance activities up to and including Maintenance Level (ML) 4
- Planning, conduct, and evaluation of repair activities up to and including ML 4
- Maintaining technical documentation

After successful completion of their training, personnel are well-prepared to stand their ground when deployed on Bundeswehr operations.

ENGINEER CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT

The function of the engineer construction equipment pool subunit is to support the camp operation group and all its subunits with engineer construction equipment.



MILITARY FIRE PROTECTION

As full-time military fire-protection personnel of the Bundeswehr, the personnel of the subunit have received special training (corresponding to the training of civilian firefighters) and, when ordered to do so, perform active fire protection tasks during routine duty in Germany. Active fire protection comprises, in particular, firefighting and the rescue/recovery of people, animals, and material assets, and it includes means and procedures of technical assistance.



PIPELINE TRAINING FACILITY

Since 1959, the 26-hectare training facility has been used to simulate all relevant scenarios relating to the transshipment and storage of petroleum, oils, and lubricants (POL). With its tank capacity of more than 2,000 m³, pump stations, manifold centers, intake areas, dispensing points, laboratory container, and subterranean long-distance pipeline, the pipeline training facility enables personnel to not only to train POL supply from bulk-fuel installations, but also to practice repairing damage to NATO pipeline systems. The pipeline training facility is the only of its kind in Europe that is filled with real fuels, which allows trainees to apply and practice their skills under live conditions.



PIPELINE SPECIALIST TRAINING

SETEC Putlos is where pipeline engineers are forged. From privates to senior officers, trainees are prepared for their specialist assignment and examined on the relevant subjects within the scope of competence-based training. Career training and pre-assignment courses provide future specialists with the necessary knowledge and skills to plan, build, operate, and manage fuel pipelines.