

Washington Army National Guard Practice Exam (Sample)

Study Guide



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Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

Remember: successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:

1. Start with a Diagnostic Review

Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.

2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions

Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 - 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.

3. Learn from the Explanations

After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.

4. Track Your Progress

Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.

5. Simulate the Real Exam

Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.

6. Repeat and Review

Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.

There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!

Questions

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- 1. Which of the following is one of the five major terrain features found on a map?**
 - A. River**
 - B. Plain**
 - C. Hill**
 - D. Mountain**

- 2. The Army Goes Rolling Along is associated with which day for its dedication?**
 - A. Veterans Day**
 - B. Memorial Day**
 - C. Independence Day**
 - D. Armistice Day**

- 3. Which Army Regulation covers the wear and appearance of the military uniform?**
 - A. AR 670-1**
 - B. AR 600-20**
 - C. AR 350-1**
 - D. AR 310-25**

- 4. Who was the first SMA?**
 - A. Sergeant Major William O. Wooldridge**
 - B. Sergeant Major John Doe**
 - C. Sergeant Major Jane Smith**
 - D. Sergeant Major Robert Brown**

- 5. What is an Award?**
 - A. A certificate presented to a unit only.**
 - B. A form of disciplinary action.**
 - C. A requirement for promotion.**
 - D. A decoration, medal, badge, ribbon, or appurtenance bestowed on an individual or a unit.**

- 6. Which of the following is NOT one of the five major terrain features found on a map?**
- A. Mountain**
 - B. Hill**
 - C. Ridge**
 - D. Depression**
- 7. Which publication covers The NCO Guide?**
- A. FM 7-22.7**
 - B. FM 7-22.1**
 - C. FM 7-22.9**
 - D. FM 7-22.0**
- 8. In which situation are salutes not required?**
- A. Only outdoors.**
 - B. In civilian attire, indoors.**
 - C. In civilian attire, engaged in routine work, carrying articles with both hands, working as a member of a detail, or in public places.**
 - D. During meals.**
- 9. Which color represents cultural features on older maps?**
- A. Red**
 - B. Black**
 - C. Green**
 - D. Blue**
- 10. Who is the Commanding General of the WAARNG?**
- A. Major General Bret Daugherty**
 - B. Brigadier General Daniel H. Dent**
 - C. Brigadier General John Doe**
 - D. Colonel James Smith**

Answers

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1. C
2. A
3. A
4. A
5. D
6. A
7. A
8. C
9. A
10. B

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Explanations

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1. Which of the following is one of the five major terrain features found on a map?

- A. River**
- B. Plain**
- C. Hill**
- D. Mountain**

In map reading for military navigation, the terrain is described using five major terrain features: hill, valley, saddle, ridge, and depression. A hill is a raised area with higher elevation than the surrounding terrain, typically shown on the map by concentric contour lines that form a knob or peak and tighten as you climb. This helps you gauge elevation changes, line of sight, and approach paths. Among the options, a river is a water feature and obstacle, not a major terrain feature. A plain is flat land, but it isn't one of the five standard terrain features used for classification on maps. A mountain is a large elevated mass, but it isn't listed as one of the five major terrain features in this framework. Therefore, the best choice is hill, since it is one of the defined terrain features used to describe elevation and landform on the map.

2. The Army Goes Rolling Along is associated with which day for its dedication?

- A. Veterans Day**
- B. Memorial Day**
- C. Independence Day**
- D. Armistice Day**

The main idea is recognizing which day the Army's official song is tied to in its dedication. The Army Goes Rolling Along is the U.S. Army's official song and is traditionally associated with Veterans Day, a day that honors all who have served in the armed forces. While Memorial Day focuses on those who died in service, and Armistice Day (the historical precursor to Veterans Day) marks the end of World War I, the dedication of the Army's song is most closely linked to honoring veterans on Veterans Day. Independence Day is a national celebration of the nation's founding. So the best match is Veterans Day.

3. Which Army Regulation covers the wear and appearance of the military uniform?

- A. AR 670-1**
- B. AR 600-20**
- C. AR 350-1**
- D. AR 310-25**

Understanding how soldiers present themselves in uniform is about knowing which regulation governs wear and appearance. The regulation that covers this is the one that lays out exactly how the Army uniform must be worn, what components are authorized, where insignia and badges go, and the grooming standards, including hair, cosmetics, jewelry, and related appearance rules. It also addresses exceptions and accommodations related to religious practice and other approved deviations. This regulation provides the specific, enforceable standards that ensure uniformity, safety, and proper identification across the force, which is why it is the correct reference for wear and appearance. The other regulations handle different topics, such as command policy, training and education, or broader administrative matters, rather than the precise rules for how the uniform is worn and presented.

4. Who was the first SMA?

- A. Sergeant Major William O. Wooldridge**
- B. Sergeant Major John Doe**
- C. Sergeant Major Jane Smith**
- D. Sergeant Major Robert Brown**

The position of Sergeant Major of the Army is the senior enlisted adviser to the Army Chief of Staff, created in 1966 to give the enlisted force a formal voice at the top level. William O. Wooldridge was the first to hold this title, starting in 1966, and he helped establish the role's duties—advising on standards, training, and morale across the Army. The other names listed did not hold this inaugural post, so Wooldridge is the correct answer.

5. What is an Award?

- A. A certificate presented to a unit only.**
- B. A form of disciplinary action.**
- C. A requirement for promotion.**
- D. A decoration, medal, badge, ribbon, or appurtenance bestowed on an individual or a unit.**

An Award is a formal recognition given to individuals or units for merit, achievement, or service. It is expressed through tangible items such as decorations, medals, ribbons, badges, or other insignia (appurtenances) that are worn or displayed to show the accomplishment. Awards are issued by the appropriate authority to acknowledge exemplary performance or acts of valor and to motivate continued excellence. They are not disciplinary actions, nor are they merely a prerequisite for promotion; they symbolize merit and can recognize both individuals and units.

6. Which of the following is NOT one of the five major terrain features found on a map?

- A. Mountain
- B. Hill
- C. Ridge
- D. Depression

This item tests your ability to identify the five major terrain features used on standard military maps and spot which one isn't part of that set. The five features are hill, ridge, valley, saddle, and depression. A mountain isn't one of these five; it's a broader landform category that may contain several of the features but is not itself listed as one of the five. So the feature that doesn't fit the five is the mountain.

7. Which publication covers The NCO Guide?

- A. FM 7-22.7
- B. FM 7-22.1
- C. FM 7-22.9
- D. FM 7-22.0

The standard reference for The NCO Guide is FM 7-22.7. This publication is specifically titled The NCO Guide, making it the authoritative source for noncommissioned officer duties, leadership responsibilities, and guidance on mentoring, training management, and NCO development. The other manuals in the 7-22 series cover different topics, so they don't carry the same scope or designation as the official NCO Guide.

8. In which situation are salutes not required?

- A. Only outdoors.
- B. In civilian attire, indoors.
- C. In civilian attire, engaged in routine work, carrying articles with both hands, working as a member of a detail, or in public places.
- D. During meals.

Salutes are a courtesy used when you are in uniform and able to render or receive the gesture without hindering your duties. When you're in civilian clothes or you're occupied with tasks, a salute would interfere with what you're doing or with safety, so it isn't required. The situation described fits several practical cases: you're in civilian attire performing routine work, you have both hands full carrying articles, you're serving as part of a detail and must stay focused on the mission, or you're in a public place where maintaining smooth movement and decorum takes precedence. In those contexts, saluting isn't expected, which is why this option is the best answer.

9. Which color represents cultural features on older maps?

- A. Red**
- B. Black**
- C. Green**
- D. Blue**

Cultural features on older maps are typically shown in red. This color makes human-made elements like towns, roads, borders, and walls stand out clearly against natural features, helping readers quickly identify built environments. Water is usually blue, vegetation or terrain is green, and black is often used for text, outlines, or non-cultural markings, so red is the color that best represents cultural features.

10. Who is the Commanding General of the WAARNG?

- A. Major General Bret Daugherty**
- B. Brigadier General Daniel H. Dent**
- C. Brigadier General John Doe**
- D. Colonel James Smith**

The leader of the Washington Army National Guard is the Adjutant General, a general officer appointed by the governor who commands the state's Army and Air National Guard units and coordinates with federal authorities. In the material you're studying, the person listed as commanding general for WAARNG is Brigadier General Daniel H. Dent, which means that's the name given for that position in that source. Remember, these appointments can change, so for the most current name you'd check the official Washington National Guard website or recent press releases.

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Next Steps

Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.

As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.

If you need help, have suggestions, or want to share feedback, we'd love to hear from you. Reach out to our team at hello@examzify.com.

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We wish you the very best on your exam journey. You've got this!

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