

Virginia Defense Force  
Orientation Level I August 2021  
**TEST QUESTIONS**

**Multiple Choice Questions**

1. The major command in an Area of Responsibility:
  - A. Brigade
  - B. Regiment
  - C. Company
  - D. Division
  
2. Which unit is the basic community-based organization of the VDF?
  - A. Team
  - B. Company
  - C. Regiment
  - D. Division
  
3. The basic tactical unit (deployable) in the VDF is the:
  - A. Headquarters
  - B. Regiment
  - C. Team
  - D. Company
  
4. Each commander is responsible to:
  - A. The commander above in the chain of command
  - B. The commander below him in the chain of command
  - C. The member of his or her unit's as they are the individuals who choose him or her.
  - D. The Adjutant General of Virginia first and then to other subordinate commanders in the chain of command.
  
5. Virginia Defense Force Officers wear:
  - A. Only full-size subdued insignia of rank.
  - B. Miniature subdued (black or brown) metal pin on insignia of rank.
  - C. Full size gold metal chevrons.
  - D. Bright insignia of rank on the patrol cap.

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6. A 1<sup>st</sup> lieutenant wears:
  - A. One gold bar.
  - B. One silver bar
  - C. Two gold bars
  - D. Two silver bars
7. When a senior officer enters a room:
  - A. The senior person in the room should stand and greet them politely
  - B. Personnel should continue with the task at hand – if the senior officer needs something he or she will ask
  - C. Those persons who see the officer should stand and wait silently until the officer leaves
  - D. The first person to see the officer should call the others to attention
8. You are outside on a military installation in uniform when the National Anthem is played. You should:
  - A. Continue about your business – as a civilian Volunteer you have no obligation to render any courtesies.
  - B. Come to attention and salute the flag or the source of music.
  - C. Take off your hat and stand respectfully until the anthem ends.
  - D. Immediately take cover in a building so you will not have to render any courtesies.
9. A Civil Air Patrol Officer salutes you. You Should.
  - A. Not return the salute. Civil Air Patrol members are civilian volunteers, not military personnel, and do not rate a salute
  - B. Not return the salute – you are a civilian volunteer and you do not have to salute anyone other than VDF Officers.
  - C. Return the salute, but stop the CAP member and tell him he does not have to salute you because you both are volunteers.
  - D. Return the salute sharply and continue about your duties.

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**TRUE- FALSE QUESTIONS**

10. The unit which provides NGCS Team response is the Regiment.
11. The VDF has seven Companies, each responsible for a major area within the state.
12. A Company has more assigned personnel than a Regiment.
13. A Company may be composed of NGSTs and CSTs.
14. The unit responsible for coordinating statewide responses is the Regiment.
15. A Company is authorized to have 15 only members.
16. Communication teams are elements within a Civil Support Security Platoon.
17. VDF members serve in three duty statuses TRAINING, VOLUNTARY and STATE ACTIVE DUTY.
18. You have been asked by your local Sheriff to have your VDF Company assist in looking for a lost child who might die if you don't come right now. You can help in the search as long as you tell your members it is TRAINING duty and higher staff is first notified.
19. The members of your unit think their prestige in the community would be greatly increased if they could carry guns when they are in the VDF Uniform. You say no because firearms of any type can only be carried by uniformed members of the VDF upon an order of the Governor of Virginia to do so.
20. When you are on duty you are subject to normal military laws and discipline.
21. The VDF is a uniformed military force organized within the Virginia Department of Military Affairs.
22. You are encouraged to do more training than the minimum required.
23. You are on a military installation. You and the other VDF members present are not required to salute an active duty Air Force Colonel because you are civilians.
24. Your Company commander tells you to complete a report that all Company members were present at a drill. The meeting was never held, and you never have seen two members of your unit. This is OK because the Commander told you to do it.

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25. One of your Company members has lost his job. It is all right to give him a room key in your armory and pretend the key was handed over because he needs the help.
26. Your platoon has seven enlisted members but no Platoon Leader or Platoon Sgt present. The senior NCO is in charge of the platoon.
27. It is my responsibility to ensure I am fully trained to professional standards to do my assigned job in an emergency.
28. Only the Force Commander is responsible for troop safety.
29. You have completed one day of a two-day training exercise. Your boots are muddy. Because it's a field exercise you are not under any obligation to clean them for tomorrow.
30. You are being sent out to relieve another individual for lunch during an emergency response. Even though you only expect to be in the field for 30 minutes, you should still carry your field gear with you.
31. You have just been promoted to the rank of Sergeant. As an NCO you are not expected to know how to train new recruits. Only commissioned officers are allowed to teach classes.
32. You have a problem that you think needs to be solved. You should take it up through your Company chain of command before you talk to the Regimental Commander, even though you have the opportunity to talk to the REGT Cdr right now.
33. When you are on duty you represent the Governor. Therefore, even when conditions are horrible you should make every effort to look sharp and treat the citizens you encounter, with respect and dignity.
34. Your Officer in Charge (OIC) orders you to break into a closed store and take food for use by your unit. You have used up your supplies and you are responding to a major disaster. You should obey this order.
35. The mission of the Virginia Defense Force is established in § 44-54.4 of the Code of The Commonwealth of Virginia (The Military Laws of Virginia)
36. The Virginia Defense Force is specifically assigned the mission of defending Virginia against invasions.

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37. Missions assigned the Virginia Defense Force do not include National Guard Civil Support.
38. If a Unit Commander is injured and unable to perform his duties, the chain of command is broken as no other individual can assume command.
39. Information flows both up and down the chain of command.
40. Saluting is a traditional military way of greeting and showing mutual respect for other military personnel, regardless of the uniformed service.
41. In a group the senior ranking person always walks to the Left.
42. When you salute a higher-ranking officer, you should hold the salute until they return it.
43. The “Virginia” name tape is worn over the left breast pocket.
44. You have a civilian private pilot metal wing you earned when you earned your rating. It is not a military insignia. You may wear it above the name tape on the right side of the uniform.
45. Salutes are not normally exchanged in hazardous situations.
46. The VDF is authorized to wear the woodland camouflage ACU.
47. Coyote (670-1 compliant) combat boots are worn with the ACU.
48. It’s the summer. You will be working in high grass; your Commander should authorize you to wear your trousers un-blooused and your shirts off.
49. Whether sleeves are worn up or down, all wear the same way.
50. Clean uniforms offer greater personal protection, especially in insulation from the cold.
51. Attendance requirement for promotion is 50% of all drills. The 50% may be present in person or with an excused absence.
52. By Virginia’s military law every able-bodied citizen 16-55 can be called for Military service.
53. The National Guard includes Army and Air components.
54. The Virginia National Guard is the component with both Federal & State roles.

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55. The VDF is the organized militia called for state service.
56. When the unorganized militia is called out, it is incorporated into the VDF.
57. The unorganized militia can be drafted by the Governor.
58. The Governor serves as Commander in Chief of the Virginia Defense Force.
59. The Force Commander of the Virginia Defense Force is a Major General.
60. PFC is the Abbreviation for Private.
61. A CW2 wears a silver bar with one black enameled square.
62. Warrant Officers are addressed as mister or miss.
63. The Rank insignia for Major General is 3 Stars.
64. The insignia for Sergeant First Class is 3 Chevrons and 3 Rockers
65. Sergeant Major is how you address a Command Sergeant Major.
66. Rank insignia for a First Sergeant is 3 Chevrons and 2 Rockers.
67. Rank insignia is worn front and centered on the patrol cap.
68. Enlisted militia branch insignia is not worn.
69. Enlisted pin-on-chevrons are worn centered on the patrol cap.
70. At the position of attention, the feet should be at the angle of 90 degrees.
71. In parade rest the feet are approximately 15 inches apart.
72. On the command of forward march, you step off with the left foot first.
73. In the salute, the hand and forearm should form a slight angle.
74. When you fall in at normal intervals individuals should be an arms length apart.
75. The most basic requirement for promotion is superior job performance.