

# Enhanced Naval Boarding Capability

## Event name

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## Date

# AGENDA

- **Introducing the Maritime Tactical Operations Group**
- **Where we come from?**
- **The RCN and Boarding Operations**
- **The Road to a new capability**
- **Building a Foundation**
- **Creating the Culture**



# Introducing the Maritime Tactical Operations Group



Core Cadre



Team 1 - MAKO



Team 2 - TIGER



# Where we come from?

## The RCN's Mission

The mission of the Royal Canadian Navy is to generate combat-capable, multipurpose maritime forces that support Canada's efforts to participate in security operations anywhere in the world, as part of an integrated Canadian Armed Forces.

## **“Ready, Aye, Ready”** (The RCN Motto)

A fighting service; a national institution with more than a century of excellence in operations at sea and ashore, both in peace and in conflict.



**Ready to Serve...Ready to defend...Ready to deploy...Ready to fight**

# Where do we come from?

## One Navy

- 8,400 Regular Force, 5,300 Reservists, 3,700 civilians
- Maritime Forces Pacific → responsible for training and Naval Reserve
- Maritime Forces Atlantic → responsible for operational readiness
- 24 Naval Reserve Divisions
- 2 Fleet Maintenance Facilities
- Fleet: 38 vessels (29 warships, 9 training)

### Maritime Forces Pacific (Victoria)

5 Frigates  
2 Submarines  
6 Coastal Defence Vessels  
8 Orca Class Vessels  
1 Sailing Ketch

### Maritime Forces Atlantic (Halifax)

7 Frigates  
2 Submarines  
6 Coastal Defence Vessels  
1 Destroyer



# The RCN and Boarding Operations



Royal Canadian Navy (11 May 1945)



OP MEGAPHONE (06 Aug 2000)



OP APOLLO (2001 - 2003)



OP ARTEMIS (2012 - 2013)



# The Road to a new capability

“Past maritime operations point to the necessity to board vessels of interest in expeditionary operations. Currently, there is a capability gap which must be bridged between the boarding of obstructed or compliant vessels of interest and the opposed boarding of vessels of interest...”

General W.J. Natynczyk, CDS , 11 August 2011



EOB POC EX – September 2012

“...(this) capability has the potential to be an important component of a deployable force package in support of the Government of Canada...”

Vice-Admiral Paul Maddison, Comd RCN, March 2013

# The Road to a new capability

“...Feedback from recent operational deployments have emphasized the role of a Naval Boarding Party (NBP) as a vital littoral sensor and weapons system. As a result, there is a requirement to update the concept of operations for the RCN boarding party capability to keep pace with today’s operating environment and evolving threat...”

Vice-Admiral Mark A.G. Norman, Comd RCN, 10 June 2014





# The Road to a new capability

## Enhanced Naval Boarding Party

**Effect Delivery:** Provide 8 – 10 mbr team capable of conducting basic obstructed boardings

### **ENBP Capability Includes:**

Advanced Shooting/Weapon Handling

Advanced Close Quarter Battle

Naval Tactical Combat Casualty Care

Sensitive Site Exploitation

Underway Force Protection Trg

Hook and Climb Insertion (to 50')

Rappel Extraction

Tactical planning & Battle Procedure

Support Asset Integration

Night/Low-light Capable

Support to NEO and Force Protection Ops

## Advanced Naval Boarding Party

**Effect Delivery:** Provide four full time 17 - mbr teams in a 3:1 Force Generation cycle capable of conducting:

- **advanced** obstructed boardings; and
- **opposed** boardings as part of a CANSOFCOM led Special Operation Task Force

### **In addition to ENBP Capability, includes:**

RW Insertion/Overwatch

Sharp Shooter Capability

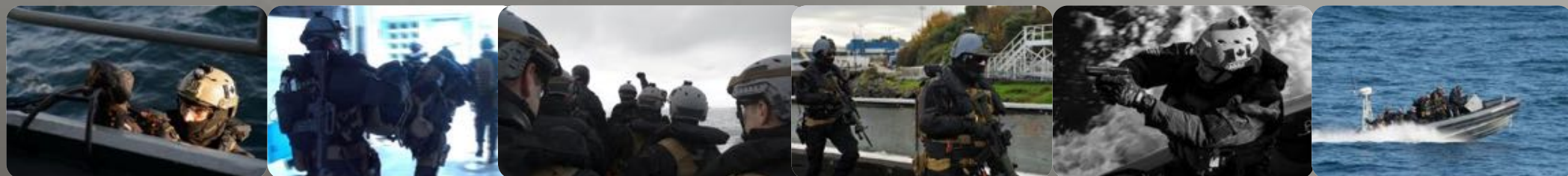
Crew Served Weapon Specialists

Mechanical Breaching

Night Vision Capability

Organic Advanced SO RHIB Cox'n

Mobile Repair Technician



# Building a Foundation



Initiation	Selection	MTOC 1501	ENBP Tm 1	Deploy
10 Jun '14	30 Nov – 05 Dec	07 Jan – 25 Mar	26 Mar 15	05 Jun 15
CRCN TASKDIR	31 Applicants/ 17 Complete	17 Students/ 13 Graduates (5 X PRes)	10 X MTO Pre-depl Trg	Effect Delivery (IOC Ph 1)
				

# Building a Foundation



June '15		August '15		November '15		January '16	
Selection		MTOC 1502		ENBP Tm 2		Deploy/Selection	
01 Jun		11 Aug – 29 Oct		17 – 29 Nov		Jan '16	
30 Applicants/ 5 Complete		8 Students/ 8 Graduates (3 X Pres)		8 X new MTO 2 MTOG Staff Pre-depl Trg		C/S TIGER (10 X MTO)	34 Applicants/ 17 Complete
							



# Creating the Culture

- **Mission Command → Trust, Equality and Speaking Truth to Power**
- **Institution of Leadership & Critical Role of NCOs as Leaders and Mentors**
- **Realistic Training in preparation for the next mission**
- **Quiet Professionalism in performance of duty**
- **Operator's Strive to Learn, Perform via the Relentless Pursuit of Excellence**

**“The RCN’s Ships Make a Statement...Her Sailors Leave an Impression”**



**Video**



**Questions?**