

## Suggested Basic Reading List

The Ranger Handbook is a great resource to begin understanding basic infantry tactics and skills pertinent to training taught in the Air Force Special Tactics Officer training pipeline. Candidates preparing for Phase II should focus on Ch. 1 and Ch. 2. Selected ST personnel should focus and reference the rest of the chapters as a basis of understanding for the pipeline. Below is a list of chapters one should focus their studies on, along with a link to a digital copy of the Ranger Handbook.

Ch.1 Leadership

Ch.2 Operations

Ch. 3 Fire Support

Ch. 4 Communications

Ch. 5 Demolitions

Ch. 6 Movement

Ch.7 Patrols

Ch. 8 Battle Drills

Ch. 12 Urban Operations

Ch. 14 Evasion/Survival

Ch. 15 Aviation

Ch. 16 First Aid

<https://www.milsci.ucsb.edu/sites/secure.lsit.ucsb.edu.mili.d7/files/sitefiles/resources/Ranger%20Handbook.pdf>

The following reading list is compiled as a resource for basic professional development and reading materials on the history, heritage, and recent operations that is pertinent to Special Tactics Operators

*No Room for Error: The Story Behind the USAF Special Tactics Unit*

By: Colonel John T. Carney

*Lincoln on Leadership*

By: Donald T. Phillips

*The Five Dysfunctions of a Team*

By: Patrick Lencioni

*Alone at Dawn: Medal of Honor Recipient John Chapman and the Untold Story of the World's Deadliest Special Operations Force*

By: Dan Schilling and Lori Longfritz

*Extreme Ownership: How U.S. Navy SEALs Lead and Win*

By: Jocko Willink and Leif Babin

*Never Quit*

By: Jimmy Settle

*The Mission, the Men, and Me*

By: Pete Blaber