

**OPSEC REVIEW CERTIFICATION
(AR 530-1, Operations Security)**

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| | Author | Tech Reviewer | Gov't. Supvr | Gov't Contract Officer | Legal | G2/G3 (OPSEC Off) | Public Affairs |
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| a. Concur for Public Release | | | | | | | |
| b. Concur for Public Release w/comment | | | | | | | |
| c. Nonconcur | | | | | | | |

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- a. Recommend approval for public release, distribution is unlimited (Distribution A).
- b. Recommend approval for public release subject to changes as noted or attached.
- c. Do not recommend public release.

INFANTRY Operations Security (OPSEC) Review Process

1. An OPSEC Review is intended to evaluate government information (document, video tape, voice tape, briefings, articles, or equipment) to determine if it can be designated for unclassified and unlimited (public domain) distribution. The purpose of an OPSEC Review is to ensure the continued protection of government information, which for operational, legal, or security reasons is considered sensitive or critical information that should not be released to the public.

2. Before a government employee or contractor can release U.S. government information to the public, it must have an OPSEC and Public Affairs review. Per AR 530-1, OPSEC review must be conducted by at least a Level II (Department of the Army certified) OPSEC Officer.

3. OPSEC Review Steps:

- Step 1 - Author prepares information for public release.
- Step 2 - A technical expert reviews the prepared product for accuracy (can be the author).
- Step 3 - Government commander/supervisor reviews and approves product for release (cannot be the author).
- Step 4 - Government contracting officer reviews **only if contractor or proprietary information is involved**.
- Step 5 - Legal office reviews **only if contractor or proprietary information is involved**.
- Step 6 - OPSEC (G2/G3) reviews for operational security, security classification, and foreign disclosure. (OPSEC officer provides recommendations in writing; no specific form other than this one is required.) Returns results to author/originator.
- Step 7 - Public Affairs Office conducts security, accuracy, policy and propriety (SAPP) review IAW AR 360-1. Returns results to author/originator.
- Step 8 - A copy of the OPSEC and PAO review results should be retained by the originator, but a copy of the OPSEC and PAO results in writing (email thread acceptable), the product, and a completed copy of this form must be forwarded as a complete manuscript submission package to **INFANTRY** for publication.

5. Examples of potentially inappropriate information for public release.

- a. Equipment capabilities, limitations, vulnerabilities.
- b. Detailed mission statement.
- c. Operation schedules
- d. Readiness and vulnerability assessments.
- e. Test locations and dates.
- f. Inventory charts and reports.
- g. Detailed budget data.
- h. Internal installation maps and photographs.
- i. Standard Operating Procedures and tactics.
- j. Detailed personal biographies.
- k. Detailed organization charts (with phones, and email listings).
- l. Sensitive unclassified reports for internal Army use.
- m. Technical and scientific proprietary data developed by a contractor.
- n. Unclassified technical data with military applications.
- o. Critical maintenance information.
- p. Information extracted from an intranet website.
- q. Personal information pertaining to individuals.
- r. Lessons learned that could reveal sensitive military operations, exercises, or vulnerabilities.
- s. Movement of assets where uncertainty of location is a program or operational element.
- t. Logistics support (munitions, weapons movement).
- u. Specific, real-time support to current/ongoing military operations.