

## GENERAL COURSE PROFILE

The aim of the Rules Of Engagement (ROE) Course is to provide participant's with an understanding of the functions of ROE, their formulation, implementation, interpretation and management.

The Course examines the relationship between legal, political, and operational parameters in the formulation of ROE and the inherent tensions between the competing concerns of risk to mission and risk to force. Using an end to end approach, ROE issues are placed within the context of staff processes from operational design to mission execution by operators.

The key overarching teaching objectives of the Course are for participants to understand:

- (1) The legal bases for the use of force under IHL in ROE (including conflict classification).
- (2) ROE and law of the sea, air law, and SOFAs.
- (3) ROE as a command and control tool for the use of force.
- (4) The relationship between ROE and Staff processes, products (including targeting directives) associated with ROE formulation, promulgation, and modification (ROE management).
- (5) The definitions and relationships of Self-defence, Hostile Intent & Hostile Act to ROE.
- (6) Key elements of selected national and multinational ROE systems including caveats, interoperability.
- (7) Drafting ROE for a wide range of single service, joint, and multinational operations, using the Sanremo ROE Handbook.
- (8) Interpreting ROE and application to operational issues.
- (9) ROE training & training audiences.
- (10) ROE incidents, investigations and consequences.

ROE topics are examined in the single service, national, joint and multinational environments and from a strategic, operational, and tactical level of command perspective.

The focus throughout the Course is an experienced based practical methodology which practically addresses topics.

The Course is designed as core training for military officers and civilian personnel, staff advisors and operators concerned with ROE in the planning, training, or the conduct of operation and who have a relevant legal and/or operational experience.

*Additionally, in order to fully benefit from the programme, the Teaching Staff requests participants to read the Sanremo ROE Handbook and the ROE Course Scenario Introduction before the start of the ROE Course. Both documents can be found on the ROE Course website (<https://iihl.org/military-department-4/rules-of-engagement-course/http://www.iihl.org/y2019/rules-engagement-roe/>).*

## ADMINISTRATION

The registration fee is €1.000 Euro. This should be remitted before the start of the Course, or on arrival in cash or Euro currency cheque. Credit cards are also accepted.

The registration fee covers:

- Transfers to/from Nice Airport
- Course materials, including the San Remo ROE Handbook.
- Lunch and coffee breaks on working days
- Welcome Cocktail & Canapés
- Course Dinner
- Course Photograph & Diploma

The registration fee does not cover all other expenses incurred by the participant such as hotel accommodation, laundry or telephone calls, or any other incidentals. Accordingly, Participants bring with them sufficient funds to pay for such expenses or have access to such funds in Sanremo via their bank.

Registrations and administrative questions should be directed to [patrizia@iihl.org](mailto:patrizia@iihl.org).

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## RULES OF ENGAGEMENT COURSE



San Remo, 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023

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## Monday, 16 October 2023

08.30–09.00	Registration of participants
09.00–09.15	Course Opening Ceremony
09.15–09.30	Course Introduction
09.35–10.15	ROE Foundations Part I
10.15–10.45	<i>Group Picture and Coffee Break</i>
10.45–11.15	ROE Foundations Part II
11.20–12.00	ROE Planning and Management
12.05–12.30	Introduction to ROEX Scenario
12.30–13.30	<i>Lunch: IIHL Community Dining Room</i>
13.30–14.15	Introduction to the San Remo ROE Handbook
14.20–15.00	Key ROE Definitions
15.00–15.20	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>
15.20–15.45	Land Operations and ROE
15.50–16.30	Air Operations and ROE
16.35–17.15	Maritime Operations and ROE
17.30–19.00	<i>Ice Breaker at IIHL</i>

## Tuesday, 17 October 2023

08.30–09.10	Case study: Domestic Security Operations
09.15–10.00	ROEX 1 Part I – Domestic Security Operations – <u>Task A</u> – Concerns and Considerations – <i>syndicate rooms</i>
10.00–10.20	<i>Coffee Break</i>
10.20–12.30	ROEX 1 Part II – Exercise briefs and discussions – <u>Task B</u> – <i>syndicate rooms</i>
12.30–13.30	<i>Lunch: IIHL Community Dining Room</i>
13.30–14.00	Case study: NEO
14.05–15.00	ROEX 2 Part I – Prepare ROE Brief NEO – <u>Task C</u> – <i>syndicate rooms</i>
15.00–15.20	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>
15.20–16.00	ROEX 2 Part II – Prepare ROE Brief NEO <u>Task C</u> – <i>syndicate rooms</i> (continued)
16.05–17.30	ROEX 2 Part III – Exercise briefs and discussions – <u>Task C</u> – <i>Plenary room</i>

## Wednesday, 18 October 2023

08.30–09.15	Case study: NIAC
09.20–10.00	Case study: PSO's
10.00–10.20	<i>Coffee Break</i>
10.20–10.55	Multinational operations and C2
11.00–12.30	ROEX 3 Part I – NIAC/PSO – Draft ROE Profile – Ironclad – <u>Task A</u> – <i>Syndicate rooms</i>
12.30–13.30	<i>Lunch: IIHL Community Dining Room</i>
13.30–14.20	ROEX 3 Part I – Continued
14.20–15.00	ROEX 3 Part II – Exercise Briefs and discussions – Ironclad – <u>Task A</u> – <i>Plenary room</i>
15.00–15.20	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>
15.20–16.20	ROEX 3 Part III – ROEREQ, National Caveats – Ironclad – <u>Task B</u> – <i>Syndicate rooms</i>
16.20–17.15	ROEX 3 Part IV – NIAC/PSO – Exercise briefing and discussions Ironclad – <u>Task B</u> – <i>Plenary room</i>

## Thursday, 19 October 2023

08.30–09.15	ROE Training
09.20–10.00	Case study: IAC
10.00–10.20	<i>Coffee Break</i>
10.20–12.30	ROEX 4 Part I – IAC – Draft ROE Profile – IAC – <u>Task A</u> – <i>Syndicate rooms</i>
12.30–13.30	<i>Lunch: IIHL Community Dining Room</i>
13.30–15.00	ROEX 4 Part II – Prepare ROE Brief IAC – <u>Task B</u> – <i>Syndicate rooms</i>
15.00–15.20	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>
15.20–16.00	ROEX 4 Part III – Exercise Briefs and discussions – IAC – <u>Task B</u> – <i>Syndicate rooms</i>
16.00–17.00	ROEX 4 Part III – Exercise Briefs and discussions – IAC – <u>Task B</u> – <i>Plenary room</i>
20:00	<i>Course Dinner</i>

## Friday, 20 October 2023

09.00–10.00	ROE Incidents, Investigations & Outputs
10.00–10.20	<i>Coffee Break</i>
10.20–11.30	Case Study USS Stark & Vincennes
12.00–12.30	Course Closing Ceremony
12.30–13.30	<i>Lunch and departure</i>