

Public Service Announcement

Canadian Army training at Guelph Lake Conservation Area

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From February 27-28, 2021, Canadian Army Reserve personnel from Guelph's 11th Field Regiment, RCA will be conducting winter training in the vicinity of the Guelph Lake Conservation Area near Guelph, Ontario. Activities will include patrolling, land navigation, construction of snow defences, and survival in a cold weather environment. The exercise will take place throughout the park, and will be conducted with the co-operation of local authorities in officially approved locations.

All of the activity will happen throughout the day and night of Saturday and Sunday. Members of the public may see military vehicles and personnel participating in the exercise with unloaded weapons. No firing of any ammunition will take place.

This important exercise is being conducted in order to prepare local Canadian Army Reserve members to operate and survive in cold weather conditions. All soldiers participating will be practicing Force Health Protection Measures based on and in addition to Public Health guidelines, including wearing masks, extra sanitizing of equipment and hands, and physical distancing where possible.

All measures are being taken to ensure minimum inconvenience to those in the area, although certain areas may be inaccessible during the exercise dates. Members of the public are asked to take extra caution when approaching military vehicles and are thanked in advance for their understanding and co-operation.

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