

Gauntlet

Mission. The South Carolina Corps of Cadets conducts a “Gauntlet” on Recognition Day in order to provide the knobs the opportunity to demonstrate the physical endurance, mental toughness, teamwork, and class unity that they have developed throughout their fourthclass year.

Intent. That through the model of challenge and support (both from each other and their upperclass leaders), each fourthclass cadet safely and proudly completes each aspect of the Gauntlet to the best of his or her ability

Concept of Operations. Under the supervision of the Director, Citadel Physical Readiness Program, the Regimental Commander and the Regimental Athletic Officer develop a set of round robin stations using Summerall Field and WLI Field for the Commandant’s approval. Designated upperclass leaders move the company’s fourthclass cadets in formation to their company start point. Athletic Officers are each assigned a station to be the instructor for and to ensure standards are complied with. Fourthclass cadets perform the task at each station to standard and rotate from station to station on command. For planning purposes, there will be twelve stations and six minutes at each station. At the conclusion of the Gauntlet, the regiment will form for a “Victory Lap” around campus led by the Regimental Commander. At the conclusion of the Victory Lap, the knobs will form up in their companies for a class set of push-ups, an address by the Regimental Commander, and recognition.