



Group 1 Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (SUAS) Training and Logistics Support Activity (TALSA)

Navy and Marine Corps Small Tactical Unmanned Aircraft Systems (PMA-263)
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TALSA serves as the central location for all Marine Corps SUAS entry-level training programs and ensures Marine Expeditionary Forces (MEFs), MARSOC and Marine Corps Forces Reserve training requirements are met. Through standardized courses that meet SUAS-operator Marine Corps and Joint requirements, the TALSA ensures Marines are properly trained to employ SUASs during contingencies/combat operations. The courses last five to 10 days and upon graduation, students are certified as SUAS operators, unit instructors or unit evaluators, based on course completed, and are prepared to support their unit with boots-on-the-ground ISR capability.

Additional TALSA Services:

- SUAS logistics and maintenance support
- Educate units on SUAS integration, mission planning and employment
- Assist units to maintain operator currency, unit instructor, and unit-evaluator currency
- Provide SUAS-PM training and support SME fleet assistance (as able)



RQ-11B Raven DDL

Course Types

SUAS courses are offered in different formats to meet the needs of a varied student population.

New Equipment: Designed for personnel without any SUAS operator experience or who were once certified but have lapsed in currency for more than 720 days per current NAVMC 3500.107

Differences Training: Designed for SUAS operators certified in one or more platforms and who maintain currency requirements per current NAVMC 3500.107

All Environment (AE): Course established specifically for MARSOC personnel

Accelerated: Designed for naval aviators and UAS air vehicle operators whose in-depth training satisfies portions of the initial qualification training (IQT) curricula; therefore, an abridged course for each SUAS was developed to certify this student population



RQ-12A Wasp IV



RQ-20A Puma AE

SUAS Courses	Length (Training Days)	Class Size (Average)	Ratio (Student : Instructor)
RQ-11B DDL (RAVEN)	10	12	4:1
RQ-11B DDL Difference	5	12	2:1
RQ-11B DDL Accelerated (Naval Aviator/UAS operator)	5	Varies	2:1
RQ-20A (PUMA AE)	10	8	4:1
RQ-20A Differences	5	8	2:1
RQ-20A Accelerated (Naval Aviator/UAS operator)	5	Varies	4:1
RQ-12A (WASP IV)	10	8	4:1
RQ-12A Differences	5	8	2:1
RQ-12A Accelerated (Naval Aviator/UAS operator)	5	Varies	2:1
All Environment (RQ-12A/RQ-20A)	10	8	4:1
SUAS-PM Seminar	1	12	6:1
SUAS- Instructor / Evaluator	5	Varies	2:1

Locations

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