# 11C Skill Level Three

**MOS 11C--Indirect Fire Infantryman, CMF 11 ( Closed to women )**
*Major duties.* The indirect fire infantryman serves as a supervisor or as a member of a mortar squad, section, or platoon. Employs crew and individual weapons in offensive, defensive, and retrograde ground combat tactical operations.

**MOSC 11C3O**. Perform duties shown in preceding level of skill. Lead a mortar section. Provide tactical and technical guidance to subordinates and professional support to both subordinates and superiors in the accomplishment of their duties. Receives and issues orders. Coordinate indirect fire support for the mortar. Ensure collection and proper reporting of intelligence data to unit. Supervise a firing section and various work details. Analyze terrain. Conduct tactical operations for a squad and NBC operations. Maintain operational security. Prepares, operates, and maintains secure communications equipment.

**Fire Direction Chief / Section Sergeant:**

**The Fire Direction Chief:**

**As the senior enlisted member of the FDC, plans, coordinates, and supervises the activities of the FDC and is responsible for the training of all FDC members. The fire direction chief must operate all FDC equipment as well as supervise their operation. The fire direction chief/section sergeant also performs, but is not limited to, the following duties:**

- Makes the decision to fire. When a target is reported, examines its location relative to friendly troops, boundary lines, no-fire lines, and fire coordination lines. Using that information, along with the nature of the target, the ammunition available, and the policy of the commander, decides whether to fire. If the decision is to engage the target, uses that same information in deciding how to do so.
- Issues the FDC order. Once the decision has been made to engage a target, issues the FDC order to inform the other members of the FDC how the mission will be conducted.
- Verifies corrections and commands. Verifies firing corrections obtained from a registration or a MET message before they are applied. Ensures that all firing data and fire commands sent to the mortar section are cross-checked to eliminate errors. Resolves discrepancies.
- Determines the altitude of a target from the map and announces it immediately after the FDC order so that the computers may compute and apply any altitude correction.
- Maintains records for all fire missions and all corrections to be applied.
- Evaluates and relays target surveillance data and intelligence reports from observers.
- Coordinates with the FIST chief regarding sectors of responsibility and up-to-date tactical information. If the FDC gets a CFF for a target it cannot engage immediately or

effectively, it must inform the FIST chief so the mission can be assigned to another firing element.

**Section Sergeant:**

The section sergeant is responsible for the same duties for the 81-mm mortar FDC as the chief computer for the 120-mm mortar platoon. The section sergeant also has the following duties:

- Supervises tactical deployment of the mortar squads.
- Selects sites for tactical employment of mortar squads.
- Supervises the laying of the mortar section.
- Supervises the section during fire missions.