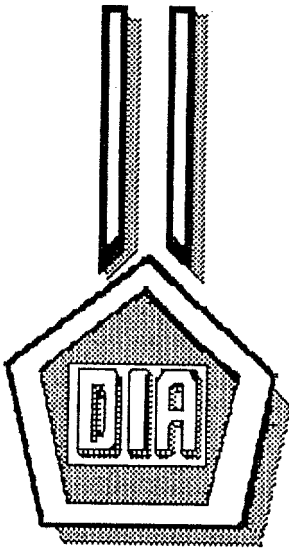


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PROCEDURES FOR  
SPECIAL PROFICIENCY TARGETS (U)

I. (U) PURPOSE:

(U) To outline detailed procedures and protocol for Special Proficiency Targets (SPT).

II. (U) OBJECTIVE:

(S/SG/NF/LIMDIS) This SPT series is intended to be both a practice activity and a learning exercise. Insight might be available from these projects that could help in overall understanding, in development of inner strategies and in finding methods that are person unique for improving data results. Experience gained in this series will help in transitioning into potential research projects.

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III. (U) PROCEDURES FOR SPECIAL PROFICIENCY TARGETS (SPT)

A. (U) BASIC PROCEDURES:

(S/SG/NF/LIMDIS) Special Proficiency Targets will be conducted as a practice activity in remote viewing to enhance individual proficiency. Targets will be chosen at random by the branch chief and given a numerical designator. All remote viewers will be required to conduct a session and provide the results to the branch chief. Feedback will not be given until all participants have submitted written summaries. Evaluations will be done by the branch chief or his designee. Outside evaluators will also be called upon to provide occasional independent appraisals to insure that objectivity is maintained. Session records will be maintained in the office central files.

B. (U) TARGET SELECTION/CONTROL:

1. (S/SG/NF/LIMDIS) The branch chief or his designee will handle the selection of the target and the management of the SPT series. The first few projects will be pre-selected based on target diversity to facilitate evaluation. Later, targets in this series will be selected randomly. Targets for SPT will be drawn from a wide variety of sources as well as from previously developed experimental target pools. Consequently, targets could be anything. They could be complex or simple, military/technical or not, could have more than one main aspect or theme, or they could have unusual elements or relationships.

2. (U) There will be two basic target package approaches:

a. (C/NF) Approach 1 (A-1): This package will be doubly sealed and posted on the office bulletin board.

b. (C/NF) Approach 2 (A-2): This package will be doubly sealed and kept in a secure location (either in the office of the branch chief or elsewhere) accessible only by the branch chief or his designee. Targets in this approach could be at distant locations to evaluate possible influence of distance as a variable.

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(S/SG/NF/LIMDIS) The purpose of approach A-1 is to provide a direct visual reminder of the actual practice task. The purpose of approach A-2 is to gain experience with tightly controlled target packages as would be encountered in research projects or in some application situations.

3. (C/NF) In both of the above target control approaches, only the branch chief or his designee will access the target envelope for any purpose, including target feedback. Should any need for exceptions arise, these exceptions and their purpose will clearly be recorded in the project files and will be approved in advance by the branch chief.

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C. (U) GENERIC QUESTIONS:

1. (S/SG/NF/LIMDIS) All sessions will have standard questions (verbal or written) that will be provided to the individual to help initiate the remote viewing process and to provide task focus. These questions will generally be the same for all practice projects. However, there may be differences in emphasis (specified in advance) in order to minimize project time and to focus in on target aspects of prime interest. The general questions (or requests) provided are at Appendix A and are summarized as follows:

a. (S/NF) Describe key target features.  
(Include forms, shapes, special aspects, motion/dynamics, color.)

b. (S/NF) Identify key target content.  
(Include meaning, purpose, function, nature of activity.)

2. (S/SG/NF/LIMDIS) Data generated should be identified or listed, whenever possible, in order of importance or highest relevance. In the case of target features, some targets may also have additional general instructions added to the session tasks, such as:

a. (S/NF) Emphasize spatial interrelationships, to include overall perspectives.



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b. (S/NF) Describe target area/features from different vantage points (e.g., ground level, elevated overview).

c. (S/NF) Identify specific features or attributes (such as color dominance or natural/man-made aspects).

3. (S/NF) If the target is a personality, the generic questions would obviously emphasize personality related issues (e.g., describe state of health, physical features). Naturally, if the location of the target personality is important, then the target feature questions as in 1.a. above apply as well.

4. (C/NF) For any specific task, a simplified task sheet may be prepared in lieu of the generic task sheet in order to focus instructions and task objectives.

5. (S/SG/NF/LIMDIS) The additional specifics cited above do not change the session class (i.e., a class A remains a class A), since no target information has been provided. Additional sessions/phases may be desired, depending on initial results or specific target objectives. These will be identified on a case-by-case basis.

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D. (U) TARGETING:

(S/SG/NF/LIMDIS) For the purpose of this SPT series, several targeting techniques will be used. These include encrypted coordinates, photo target designators (PT-XXXX), and various abstract terms (e.g., Personality "A"). Specific targeting techniques will be clearly identified in project records

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E. (U) SUMMARIES/FEEDBACK:

(S/SG/NF/LIMDIS) All remote viewers working the target are to provide written summaries as soon as possible after their session(s). Two types of summaries are required: (1) Overall written summary without regard to specific organization and (2) A condensed version that is organized according to data types listed in APPENDIX B.

(S/SG/NF/LIMDIS) Summaries will given to the branch chief. Target feedback will not be provided until all remote viewers have submitted their written summaries. No remote viewer will look at the target envelope without prior approval from the branch chief.

(C/NF) Standard office practice will be observed when discussing the SPT series. Data results from any session will be kept confidential and will not be discussed with anyone until the project is formally closed and feedback has been provided to all participants.

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F. (U) TIMING:

(C/NF) The SPT targets will not be kept active for more than 5-7 days, or as specified on the schedule board. This time frame could be shortened as other project demands lessen and more time is available for SPT.

Individuals who have not completed a specific project by the close-out time will be recorded as a non-participant for that particular target.

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G. (U) EVALUATION:

(S/NF) There will be two evaluation phases to this series. Phase I will be based on general appraisals with overall low-medium-high ratings assigned to each target category by the branch chief, his designee, or on a random basis by outside evaluators. Phase II evaluations will be more detailed and will follow approaches described in DT-S-1010-S (Evaluation Methods).

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H. (U) RECORDS:

(S/NF) Appendix B lists basic data required for all SPT sessions that will be included in all session summaries. All data records will be maintained in the project central files.

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GENERIC TASK SHEET

SPECIAL PROFICIENCY TARGET (SPT)

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

TARGET NO: \_\_\_\_\_ COMPLETE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

TARGET DESIGNATOR: \_\_\_\_\_

TARGET PACKAGE LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

TARGETING TECHNIQUE: \_\_\_\_\_

TARGET DATA DESIRED:

1. DESCRIBE KEY TARGET FEATURES: (Include forms, shapes, spatial aspect, color, motion/dynamics):

- Emphasize the following: \_\_\_\_\_
- Do for the following perspectives:
  - Ground-level
  - Over-view
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- List in order of importance/most likely.

2. IDENTIFY KEY TARGET CONTENT: (Include meaning, purpose, function, nature of activity, type/nature of people if present):

- Emphasize the following: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- List in order of importance/most likely.

3. IF PERSONALITY, DESCRIBE: \_\_\_\_\_

APPENDIX A

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4. TASK UNDERSTANDING: Be sure to discuss this task with the Branch Chief or his designee to ensure that all objectives are understood and that no misunderstandings exist.

5. OTHER GUIDANCE: Select own style, technique, timing. Prepare summaries, record data as previously specified. Please let Branch Chief or his designee know your preference, estimated timing, and number of anticipated sessions.

6. REMINDER: Target can be anything; have fun.

APPENDIX A (cont.)

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RECORD DATA REQUIRED

o Record following on upper right of summary:

- PROJECT NO: \_\_\_\_\_.
- DATE: \_\_\_\_\_.
- TIME: \_\_\_\_\_.
- SOURCE NO: \_\_\_\_\_.
- SESSION NO: \_\_\_\_\_.
- MONITOR: \_\_\_\_\_.
- SESSION CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_.
- SESSION TYPE: \_\_\_\_\_.

o Other record data, such as target control type, targeting technique, target source, who has target knowledgeability, and other data will be recorded in the project records for each specific SPT target.

APPENDIX B

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