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NRMA Installations Participate in Annual Force Protection Exercise

Navy Region Mid-Atlantic (NRMA) installations across Hampton Roads will kick off the annual force protection exercise Citadel Shield-Solid Curtain (CS-SC25) Feb. 3-14, 2025.

Citadel Shield, held during the first week, is a field training exercise led by Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC), while Solid Curtain follows in the second week as a command post exercise led by U.S. Fleet Forces Command (USFF).

CS-SC25 is a two-part force protection exercise designed to bolster readiness of U.S. Navy security forces throughout the continental United States.

“This is a crucial exercise our Navy personnel conduct each year,” said Rear Adm. Carl Lahti, commander, NRMA. “The realistic scenarios carried out during the exercise will challenge, improve, and strengthen our security procedures as well as test our coordination efforts with local partner security agencies. Most importantly, the safety and security of our people, equipment, and facilities is our top priority as we carry out this exercise.”

CS-SC25 is a regularly scheduled exercise and is not being held in response to any specific threat.

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This two-part training promotes interoperability among commands, other services, and agency partners to protect life, equipment, and facilities. Both weeks will simulate realistic threat scenarios, including active shooters, unauthorized base access, and improvised explosive devices.

Measures have been taken to minimize disruptions within local communities and to normal base operations, but there may be times when the exercise causes increased traffic around bases or delays in base access. Area residents may also see or hear security activities associated with the exercise. Advanced coordination has taken place with local law enforcement and first responders.

For information about potential local impacts due to the exercise, please visit your local Navy installation's website and social media channels.

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