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## Combat Skills/Military Unique Mishap Claims One Soldier's Life

A 24-year-old Trainee assigned to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, died in a combat skills/military unique mishap 3 March 2022 on the installation at 1520 local. After completing the Basic Combat Training introductory exercise "Hellcat 100," the Trainee was conscious and semi-responsive but unstable on his feet. He lost consciousness while the battery drill sergeants performed heat casualty protocols. Emergency services was quickly notified, and the Trainee was transported to the local hospital. Lifesaving measures were performed and continued en route to the hospital. Upon arrival, he was pronounced dead by the attending physician.

**Since 2017, the Army has lost an average of three Soldiers a year to combat skills/military-unique mishaps. This tragedy was the first combat skills/military unique fatality of FY22.**

*PLRs are intended to be used as an engagement tool for leaders to discuss the hazards and trends impacting Soldier safety and readiness. The PLR contains only basic information but provides sufficient background to allow leaders an opportunity to communicate risk at the Soldier level. More detailed information on this and other Army mishaps can be found on the U.S. Army Combat Readiness Center website at <https://safety.army.mil/lessonslearned>.*

**To access current U.S. Army accident statistics and reports, visit <https://safety.army.mil/STATISTICS>.**

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