

These are printable color copies of various TacOps Maps. These maps are useful in creating battle planning or situation maps. The maps are in gif file format and should be accessed through a graphics or paint program.

For use as a battle planning aid, print a map at reduced size so that it will fit on a single sheet of paper. You will find this very useful for sketching future objectives, primary and alternate fighting positions, and for easily studying the terrain and its effect on fields of fire.

To build a situation map, print a map at 175% to 200% enlargement so there is plenty of room for marking on it with grease pens or transparency pens. Tape the printed map pieces together, and either mount the finished paper map under hard plastic (cheap poster frames are excellent for this) or laminate it with adhesive coated clear plastic film (a cheap roll of clear plastic "shelf liner style contact plastic" will do fine). Don't trim the map too closely to the bottom of its frame - if you leave plenty of white space at the bottom of the map you will find the area useful for making marginal notes. If you carefully plot the positions and movements of spotted enemy units over the course of a few turns, you can often begin to see a pattern which is very useful in determining the enemy's plan, his primary axis of advance, and his major force disposition. A situation map is also very useful for recording and prioritizing enemy sightings for future artillery targeting.

Best regards, Major H
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