

The Lacerda All-Army Combatives Championship, April 8-14, will evaluate competitors' knowledge and use of the U.S. Army Combatives Program as individuals and as part of eight-person teams.

Soldiers in any rank or specialty may compete. The Modern Army Combatives Program taught during Initial Entry Training enhances unit combat readiness by building Soldiers' personal courage, confidence, and resiliency in hand-to-hand combat.

During the Lacerda Cup, spectators watch as Soldiers from different weight classes perform multiple close-quarters combatives techniques.

Soldiers who compete in the Lacerda Cup have demonstrated proficiency in combatives techniques and the will to close with and destroy the enemy in the crucible of ground combat.