

Acronym/Term	Definition	Additional Explanation
2IC	Second In Command	
ADA	Area Directed Activity	A weekend training exercise
ATA	Aviation Technology and Aerospace	Summer Training course – 2 Weeks
AAC	Advanced Aviation Course	Summer Training Course – 4 Weeks
AC	Air Cadet	First rank for a new cadet: No rank badge
ACLC	Air Cadet League of Canada	
ACO	Area Cadet Officer	
ACO (Air)	Area Cadet Officer (Air Cadets)	An officer in the Canadian Forces Regular or Reserve component employed at a Regional Headquarters and responsible for training and administering Air Cadets.
ACR	Annual Ceremonial Review	Final Ceremonial Parade of the Training Year
ACSTC	Air Cadet Summer Training Centre	
BASIC	Common Training Courses	Summer Training Courses for all cadet types - 2 weeks
BCPC	British Columbia Provincial Committee	BCPC provides training, resources, and financial assistance to SSC's
CANTEEN		Snack bar
CATOs	Cadet Administrative and Training Orders	Orders issued by NDHQ/Director of Cadets to supplement Queens Regulations and Orders for Cadets, to amplify Canadian Forces Administrative Orders, and to minimize the requirement for specialized Region Orders and Instructions

CFB	Canadian Forces Base	
CI	Civilian Instructor	a resource person with special talents who is employed by DND as an Instructor within a designated Air Cadet Squadron but who is not a member of the CF.
CIC	Cadet Instructor Cadre	A sub-component of the Canadian Forces Reserve Force, consisting of officers whose primary duty is the supervision, administration and training of cadets mentioned in Section 46 of the National Defence Act.
CLACSTC	Cold Lake Air Cadet Summer Training Centre	
CO	Commanding Officer	
CO's PARADE	Commanding Officer's Parade	Monthly Full Dress Parade
CPL	Corporal	Promoted rank after Leading Air Cadet: Two chevrons on sleeve
DCO	Deputy Commanding Officer	
DET	Detachment	
DND	Department of National Defence	
DRESS	What to wear	eg. C1 is "Cadet Best", Civilian Attire = no uniform
DUTY FLIGHT	The flight that is assigned to do the chores on a parade night	
FCPL	Flight Corporal	Promoted rank after Corporal: Two chevrons on sleeve with crown above
FLIGHT	A group of cadets. Usually led by a Flight Sergeant or Sergeant	

FSGT	Flight Sergeant	Promoted rank after Sergeant: Three chevrons on sleeve with crown above
FTX	Field Training Exercise	Camping and Outdoor Training
GCK	General Cadet Knowledge	
GPTC	Glider Pilot Training Course	Summer Training Scholarship where cadets can get their Glider Pilot License
IACE	International Air Cadet Exchange	Summer Training Scholarship
ITAC	Introduction to Aviation Course	Summer Training Course (3 weeks) discontinued
ITS	Introduction to Survival Course	Summer Training Course – 2 weeks
LAC	Leading Air Cadet	First Promoted rank for a cadet: Single horizontal propeller on sleeve
MESS DINNER	Formal dinner following the traditions of the RCAF	Very Fancy dinner
NCO	Non-Commissioned Officer	Air cadet with rank Corporal and above: Senior NCO's have rank of Sgt and above
OIC	Officer In Charge	Staff member in charge at an activity
OPERATION	The name assigned to a particular event	
OPI	Office of Primary Interest	Staff or department in charge of planning and running an activity
PARADE	Opening and Closing ceremonies on a cadet night	
PPTC	Power Pilot Training Course	Summer Training Scholarship where cadets can get their Private Pilot License

SSC	Squadron Sponsoring Committee	
PSRY	Positive Social Relations for Youth	Replaces CHAP program
RCAF	Royal Canadian Air Force	
RO	Reviewing Officer	
SCHOLARHI BOARDS	Interview Process for choosing cadets for National Summer Training	Held in February for PPS, GPS, IACE,
SGT	Sergeant	Promoted rank after Flight Corporal: Three chevrons on sleeve
SIC	Survival Instructor Course	Summer Training Scholarship - 4 weeks
SQUADRON	A group of flights	
SURVIVAIR	Survival Competition for Cadets	
TRAINING YEAR	From September to June when squadron based training is done	
UHRA	Unit Human Rights Advisor	
WARNING ORDER	The information page for an event listing important information	Every squadron activity has one, either handed out or on the Forum
WING	Sub-division of the Air Cadet League	
WO1	Warrant Officer First Class	Highest Air Cadet Rank: One per Squadron: Canada's Coat of Arms

WO2	Warrant Officer Second Class	Second Highest Air Cadet Rank: Crown Encircled by Maple Leaves
ZONE	Sub-division of the Air Cadet League	
