

Message from your OLS Internal Communications Team

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Without a good relationship between the NCO and the Officer, the unit's cohesion will never fully develop. This relationship should be built on mutual respect.

The command team should always act as partners and not superior/subordinate. They must communicate clearly and effectively. Each member of the team plays a different role, and if both do not properly carry out their role, while collaborating with their partner, the unit may not fail but the going will be difficult.

When a clear chain of command is established, and the leadership team understands their partnership, the troops comprehend their roles and know who to report to. This is a product of good interaction and collaboration between the NCO/officer team.

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This rant will discuss some of the key aspects that make a command team effective. While this list is not all inclusive, the topics covered will be the difference between "NCO and Officer Business" and shared responsibilities, mentorship, mutual respect, open communication, and teamwork. These aspects are the backbone of a successful leadership team. If the team is effective, they will have a cohesive unit that will achieve mission success.

## **NCO vs. Officer Business**

Officers and NCOs operate in two completely different spaces but must collaborate for the mission to be understood and carried out... finish the article here