

MIPB Mission

The U.S. Army Intelligence Center of Excellence (USAICoE) publishes the Military Intelligence Professional Bulletin (MIPB) under the provisions of AR 25-30. MIPB presents information designed to keep intelligence professionals informed about current and emerging developments within the field and provides an open forum in which ideas; concepts; tactics, techniques, and procedures; historical perspectives; problems and solutions, etc. can be exchanged and discussed for purposes of professional development. MIPB is a strategic communication vehicle for the Commanding General (CG), USAICoE, to present or highlight information throughout the intelligence community.

Professional Bulletin Regulatory Guidance

In accordance with AR 25-30, *Army Publishing Program*, paragraph 4-14 PBs [professional bulletins] are DA-authenticated publications that give instructions, guidance, and other materials for professional development within a specific functional area and act as a forum to explain, digest, or debate Army doctrine, policy, or other definitive information. Commanders may use PBs to assist with specific training and professional development missions. The content of a PB must directly support a specified mission area as established in AR 5-22 [*The Army Force Modernization Proponent System*] or other authoritative source. Proponents will not use PBs as substitutes for DA doctrinal and training publications.

DA Pam 25-40, *Army Publishing Program Procedures*, provides procedures for publishing professional bulletins. It states in paragraph 5-5, PBs [professional bulletins] host professional discourse. Through PBs, leaders can inform the force, authors can share ideas and develop communities of interest across the Army, and individuals can respond or suggest ideas within the preparing command's specified mission and area of proponenty, as established in AR 25-30, AR 5-22 or other authoritative source.

Effective PBs do the following:

- Publish quality content of interest to the command's specified mission.
- Reach audiences interested in the command's specified mission in an accessible format.
- Publish a balance of articles from senior leaders that inform the community, articles that share information across the community, and argumentative articles that propose new ideas or ways of thinking.
- Provide institutional support that ensures accessible archives, ideally by article to ease research.
- Publish a variety of authors from different backgrounds to hone ideas.

Typical PB material includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Technological developments.
- Strategy, tactics, techniques, and procedures.
- "How To" pieces.
- Practical exercises.
- Training methods.

- Historical perspectives.
- Views, opinions, and letters to the editor pertinent to the preparing command.
- Short biographies of authors to demonstrate professional credentials.
- Short bulletin-type items summarizing official Army actions that directly relate to area of proponency.

Items that do not meet the content standards for PBs are:

- General personnel information not specifically related to the preparing command's area of proponency. This information is usually available through command information and official channels.
- Routine personnel items, such as listing graduates of courses, promotions, and awards. (Nonroutine personnel items can be included in the bulletin section.)
- General military-related news articles.