

# The Lunacy Of Women Soldiers



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Do women belong in the military? The simple answer is no, certainly not in combat positions. Last month it was reported that the first eight female soldiers at the Fort Benning Ranger School in Georgia had all failed to come up to scratch. Should anyone be surprised? Clearly not. While women can compete as athletes, complete marathons and even ultra-marathons and events that require extreme endurance, and while a few women could even go twelve rounds with Mike Tyson, we are not talking here about simply keeping fit or some bizarre notion of equal opportunities. The battlefield, the Special Air Service, the Marines, is no place for a woman, neither is it any place for a man. Unfortunately, the world in which we live dictates a need for men to serve in such units.

Look at the **fitness test** for the Royal Marines and ask yourself what percentage of men could pass it, even dedicated sportsmen. Note especially the sit ups and pull ups requirements, and how they are reduced with age. The men who serve in these units are the *crème de la crème*, and they need to be. A story that has been in the news here recently is the deaths of no less than three men out of a total of seventy-eight who were on an SAS training exercise in June 2013. The **inquest into**

their deaths did not open until June 1 this year. Do we really want to see women marched to their deaths on training exercises too?

There are other reasons women should not partake of such intense training; here is a female marine explaining exactly why, including the price she herself has paid.

Women in the military are a distraction for obvious reasons. For the same reason overt homosexuals should not be allowed in the military. Aside from mere distractions there will be allegations – both true and false – of sexual harassment and worse. While undoubtedly there are sexual offences committed in the military, there is absolutely no reason to believe the one-sided nonsense put out by Kirby Dick in *The Invisible War* anymore than there is to credit his other propaganda tract about campus rape, *The Hunting Ground*, as two reviewers point out here.

Allegations of sexual assaults in the American military have led to not only intense media coverage and negative publicity but to a plethora of civil suits, some of which may have merit; the case of LaVena Johnson is particularly notorious.

As far as women serve with the military in any way, manner, shape or form, they should always be under the command of a woman officer. No one is suggesting they should be relegated to making the tea, but the time, expense, and both false and genuine cases of sexual impropriety added to everything else mean that women in the military are not worth the candle, certainly as far as the front line is concerned.

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