

Observable Characteristics of Good Military Posture Viewed in Frontal and Posterior Planes

Frontal Plane

- 1. Head centered.
- 2. Left and right acromions on same level.
- 3. Elevation of chest (not tense).
- 4. Costal angle about 90°.
- 5. Ribs approach (sternum) on relatively horizontal plane.
- 6. Lateral iliac crests on same level. Also on same level with navel.
- 7. Legs parallel.
- 8. Left and right body sections in balance.

Posterior Plane

- 1. Head centered.
- 2. Left and right acromions on same level.
- 3. Right and left scapulae (shoulder blades) in balance.
 No flared or "winged"
 scapula. Scapulae cover
 from second to eighth vertebrae.
- 4. All vertebrae in vertical line.
 No torsion. No lateral curvature.
- 5. Lateral iliac crests on same level. Also on level with fourth lumbar vertebra.
- 6. Legs parallel.
- 7. Tendons of Achilles in vertical lines.
- 8. Right and left ankles same size.

