



Special Operations Command Pacific

Major General Joshua M. Rudd

Commander



Major General Joshua M. Rudd assumed command of Special Operations Command Pacific in August 2020.

Major General Rudd most recently served as the Deputy Commanding General - Operations for the 25th Infantry Division at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. In this role, he oversaw 29,000 soldiers, family members, retirees, civilians and contractors. He provided operational oversight for the planning and execution of current and future operations, training, contingency response requirements, readiness exercises, and Theater Security Cooperation Plans in support of the USINDOPACOM Commander's objectives. His other flag assignment includes Deputy Commanding General, 1st Special Forces Command (Airborne).



Major General Rudd was born in Southern California and grew up in South Carolina. He graduated from Furman University in 1993 after earning his commission through ROTC. He entered active duty as a Quartermaster Officer, and in 1996 he successfully completed Special Forces Assessment and Selection. As a Special Forces Officer, he has commanded at every echelon - from ODA to Group. Most recent Command Assignments include: Commander JIATF-NCR (2017-2018), Commander of a Forward Deployed Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force (2017-2018), Commander 3rd Operations Support Group (2015-2017), and Commander of a Forward Deployed Combined Joint Task Force (2015-2017). Major General Rudd deployed in support of multiple combat operations including Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation New Dawn, and Operation Inherent Resolve.

Major General Rudd completed the following military schools: US Army War College - Fellowship at Duke University, Naval Command and Staff College, Infantry Officer Advanced Course, and Quartermaster Officer Basic Course. He holds an M.A. in Strategy and National Security from the Naval War College and a B.A. in Political Science from Furman University.

He is authorized to wear the following awards and decorations: Defense Superior Service Medal (2nd award), Legion of Merit (3rd award), Bronze Star Medal (3rd award), Combat Infantryman Badge, Special Forces Tab, Ranger Tab, Military Free Fall Jumpmaster Badge and Combat Diver Supervisor Badge.