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## Decatur native qualifies as Cavalry Soldier

**DECATUR, Tenn.** – Spc. Alexey A. Ermilov graduated from the Army's One Station Unit Training for Cavalry Scouts at Fort Benning, Georgia, on Sept. 10, 2021.

During this highly demanding and rewarding 22-week program, Ermilov completed basic combat training and graduated as a qualified U.S. Army Cavalry Scout trained in tracking, reporting, weapons, and route navigation. He returned to Newport's Troop O, 4th Squadron, 278th Armored Combat Regiment and is assigned to the unit's scout section.

"I'm excited to start this chapter in my military career," said Ermilov. "I'm thankful for everything I've achieved with the Tennessee Army National Guard."

Ermilov moved to the United States from Russia in 2010 and in 2019, officially became a U.S. citizen.





Spc. Alexey Ermilov attending his last Recruit Sustainment Program Drill before joining his unit as a fully qualified Cavalry Scout in the Tennessee Army National Guard. (Submitted photo)

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