

FALCON CODE1. GENERAL

Regrettably the Allied Naval Signal Book does not possess sufficient flexibility for Formation Commanders/Commanding Officers to address specific operational requirements; nor does it provide the means whereby pleasure or displeasure may be expressed. The Falcon Code that follows has been designed to fill the gap.

2. AUTHORIZATION FOR USE

The Squadron Commander or any Commanding Officer may transmit a single code number or multiple groups by voice or flaghoist whenever the tactical situation dictates. Juniors may transmit to seniors, with caution.

3. METHOD OF TRANSMISSION

- a. by voice - "X this is Y FALCON 2 OVER/OUT"
 - "X this is Y FALCON 12a OVER/OUT"
 - "X this is Y FALCON 6c Tack 12a OVER/OUT"
- b. by Flaghoist - numerical flag(s) for code numbers desired preceded by flag ZULU using normal addressee cal.
- c. by light - use normal call and answer procedure with the text "FALCON TWO".

4. CODE MEANINGS

<u>Code Number</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
1	You should at least try and give the impression you know what you are doing.
2	If you think your next evolution is going to be equally disastrous please give me advance warning.
3	What you say is completely true but irrelevant

<u>Code Number</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
4	You may not like the _____ing staff, but the staff likes _____ing you.
5	Report reason for foul up (see FALCON 6)
6	My excuse for the foul up is: a. lack of preparation b. XO's meeting c. finger trouble d. using OP order for next exercise e. couldn't find target f. I can't read g. I've temporarily lost the bubble h. staff has turned in again i. Desig_____
7	Your explanation a. is unbelievable but I'll buy it b. lacks a certain credibility c. is imaginative, but not realistic
8	Please speak slowly in English
9	Let go my ears, I know my job
10	You are not going to believe my next command.
11	You're right that last command was quite unbelievable
12	You think that was bad wait until see me: a. RAS b. fire guns c. fire mortars d. fire missiles e. control aircraft f. launch chaff g. take charge h. Desig_____

<u>Code Number</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
13	Pray close the fleet in order that you may be identified
14	Sailors may eventually rule the world, but don't count on a responsible job.
15	Buck up
16	GOYA
17	Sword's and medals on arrival if you please.
18	See me on arrival, any dress will do
19	Better never than late
20	My intention was that you illuminate, not ram.
21	Give up now, try again later.
22	Happiness is a private ship
23	You should go places, start immediately
24	Why is it that you consistently push doors marked "pull"
25	Don't feel too proud of that last serial. you were being followed purely out of curiosity.
26	I know you believe you understand what you think I said, but I am not sure you realize that what you heard is not what I meant.

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27	The resourcefulness of your reply astounds me
28	The officer who drafted that reply deserves to be on my staff
29	Strongly advise you do not use braille for your next approach.
30	Why send a signal when you could have remained silent and have me suspect rather than verify that you are a boob.
31	The fact that I may be wrong has no bearing on the decision.
32	The final word that you have received should be treated as a firm maybe.
33	Things will remain much as they are or they will change.
34	Pardon me, but I'm afraid that you are making this evolution much simpler than it really is.
35	Regulations are a crutch for the weak, an excuse for the lazy, a benefit for the ignorant, a guide for the incompetent and are there to be broken by anyone else. You better stick to them.