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From: Commanding General
To: Distribution List

Subj: Small Arms Marksmanship Competition Program

Ref: (a) MCO 3591.25

Encl: (1) MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team/Local Matches
(2) Annual MCCDC Intramural Matches
(3) Eastern Division Matches

Reports Required: I. Annual Schedule for MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team Training and Local/Intramural Matches (Report Symbol MCCDC-3591-01), par. 6a(5)
II. Nominations for the MCCDC Eastern Division Matches (Report Symbol MCCDC-3591-02), par. 6a(7)
III. Results of Local/Intramural/Division Matches (Report Symbol MCCDC-3591-03), par. 6a(8)
IV. Local Match Competition (Report Symbol MC-3590-01), par. 6a(10) and par. 6e(3)

1. Purpose. To promulgate information and regulations in accordance with the reference concerning the objectives, organization and functioning of the Marine Corps Combat Development Command (MCCDC) Small Arms Marksmanship Competition Program.

2. Cancellation. MCCDCO 3591.1.

3. Objectives. The objectives of the program are as follows:

a. To increase the marksmanship proficiency and combat readiness of all Marines and organizations stationed at MCCDC by:

(1) Improving skills and confidence of each competitor with small arms.

(2) Developing a cadre of Marines (in addition to Weapons Training Battalion (WTBn) Marines) with improved skills in small arms marksmanship to serve as competitors and instructors in their organizations.

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(3) Producing a cadre of Marines (in addition to WTBn Marines) skilled in all aspects of range and match operations.

(4) Stimulating interest and desire for self-improvement and competitive excellence on the part of individual Marines.

b. To establish a MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team for year-round participation in local matches.

c. To build and maintain MCCDC's ability to compete and win, as teams and individuals, in local, Eastern Division, Marine Corps, interservice, and national competition.

d. To project before the general public and other military commands the proficiency and competency of Marine marksmanship.

e. To conduct marksmanship clinics as directed by the Commanding General, MCCDC.

4. Policy

a. Competitive shooting is the principal means by which the Marine Corps can stimulate interest, develop marksmanship, and maintain a predominant position in the marksmanship field.

b. Marines participating in the marksmanship competition program, although sometimes required to be absent from other assignments, must be recognized by organizational commanders as major contributors to the Marine Corps' mission. Appropriate recognition should be given in fitness reports, meritorious masts, and other means which will enhance the prestige of the marksmanship competition program and provide a suitable reward to individual Marines.

c. Organizational commanders will support the objectives of the program and ensure maximum participation as described herein, within their capability to accomplish the organization's primary mission.

d. MCCDC competitors receiving governmental support (e.g., weapons, ammunition, equipment, per diem, travel funds, registration and entry fees) will not accept cash awards in recognition of their accomplishments.

5. Program Organization. The MCCDC program will consist of the following three elements:

a. MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team/Local Matches. The reference directs the Commanding General to organize a permanent rifle and pistol team to participate in local civilian and military matches and certain interservice matches. This **team will** be representative of all MCCDC organizations, exclusive of WTBn's official

Marine Corps Shooting Teams and of tenant activities. Organizational, tenant and other Marine Corps commanders are encouraged to form additional teams to augment the MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team or to participate in the MCCDC local match program. Enclosure (1) provides instruction for the organization of the MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team and the implementation of the local match program.

b. Annual MCCDC Intramural Matches. During the first quarter of each fiscal year, the Commanding General will host annual intramural matches as described in enclosure (2). The purpose of the matches is to:

(1) Foster competition and camaraderie among MCCDC Marines and organizations.

(2) Recognize the outstanding organizational team with the Commanding General's Trophy for the Intramural Competition-in-Arms Team Championship and to award points toward the Commanding General's Intramural Minor Sports Trophy.

(3) Identify Marines for the permanent MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team.

(4) Identify Marines to augment the MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team for participation in the Eastern Division Matches.

(5) Identify Marines with potential as marksmanship instructors.

c. Annual Eastern Division Matches. The reference establishes the Marine Corps Competition-in-Arms Program which conducts annual regional division matches throughout the Marine Corps. Marines selected at the Annual MCCDC Intramural Matches will comprise the MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team and participate in the Eastern Division Matches conducted at Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, NC as described in enclosure (3). The purpose of the Eastern Division Matches is to:

(1) Provide one week of instruction by the Marine Corps Shooting Teams, **WTBn**, in advanced marksmanship, coaching methods, sniper techniques, and range operation procedures.

(2) Conduct one week of training and practice during which the participants will fulfill their annual requalification requirements.

(3) Provide competition in individual and team events with the rifle and pistol.

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(4) Select Marines (approximately 10%) for participation in the Marine Corps Matches and for screening for the Marine Corps Shooting Teams.

6. Action

* a. Director, Training and Education Division (C 468 /WTBn)

(1) Maintain operational control of the MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team and provide administrative, logistical and training support per enclosure (1).

(2) Provide the Officer-in-Charge (OIC) and two non-commissioned OIC's for the MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team on an additional duty basis.

(3) Supervise the performance and conduct of the MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team.

(4) Fund and support MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team matches and training. Travel and per diem will be governed by the provisions of the reference.

(5) Submit a proposed schedule for MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team training, local matches, and the Annual MCCDC Intramural Matches for the next calendar year to the Commanding General (C032) by 1 December of each year.

(6) Conduct the Annual MCCDC Intramural Matches, other local/intramural matches, and awards ceremonies as appropriate per the reference and enclosure (2). Publish amplifying instructions/regulations for the conduct of any matches as required.

(7) Identify MCCDC Marines for the Eastern Division Matches to the Commanding General (C032) and their organizational commanders within 30 days of completion of the Annual MCCDC Intramural Matches.

(8) Provide results of all matches to the Commanding General (C032) by the 10th day of the following month.

(9) Ensure accountability and maintenance of the perpetual Commanding General's Trophy for the Intramural Competition-in-Arms Team Championship.

(10) Prepare the Annual Local Match Competition Report (MC-3590-01) described in the reference for MCCDC's program and submit to the Commanding General (C032) by 20 October of each year.

b. Organizational Commanders

(1) Provide Marines and/or teams for the MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team, the Annual MCCDC Intramural Matches, and the Eastern Division Matches as directed by the reference, this Order, and appropriate bulletins. Any request for quota waivers will be fully justified and provided to the Commanding General (C032) (copy to Commanding Officer, WTBn) 30 days in advance of either the Intramural or Division Matches.

(2) Ensure that Marines who represent this Command are properly encouraged, supported and recognized.

(3) Issue permissive Temporary Additional Duty (TAD) orders to WTBn for Marines selected to participate with the MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team. TAD orders for off-base matches will be issued per enclosure (1), paragraph 2c.

c. Director, Morale, Welfare and Recreation Division. Budget for and provide the individual trophies required per enclosure (2).

d. Director, Comptroller Division. Provide funding to the Commanding Officer, WTBn per the reference and this Order, to support the MCCDC Small Arms Marksmanship Competition Program.

e. Director, Operations Division (C032)

(1) Maintain staff cognizance over all aspects of the MCCDC Small Arms Marksmanship Competition Program.

(2) Publish an annual bulletin by 1 January of each year announcing the schedule for MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team training, local matches, and the Annual MCCDC Intramural Matches.

(3) Submit the Annual Local Match Competition Report (MC-3590-01) per the reference to the Commanding Officer, WTBn by 31 October of each year for consolidation with the Commandant of the Marine Corps (CMC) report.


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Encl: (1) New page insert to MCCDCO 3591.1A

1. **Purpose.** To transmit page replacements and direct a pen change to the basic Order.

2. Action

a. Remove present enclosure (2) and replace with corresponding pages contained in the enclosure.

b. Paragraph 6a, replace "Deputy Commander for Training and Education (TE 22/WTBn)" with "Director, Training and Education Division (C 468)/WTBn."

3. Change Notation. Paragraphs denoted by an asterisk (*) symbol contain changes not previously published.

4. Filing Instructions. This Change transmittal will be filed immediately following the signature page of the basic Order.

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MCCDC RIFLE AND PISTOL TEAM/LOCAL MATCHES

1. General. This Order establishes the MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team and provides funding for a local match program per MCO 3591.25. The MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team will consist of at least 22 officer and enlisted Marines, organized as shown below, under the operational control of the Commanding Officer, WTBn. Team members will be directed by separate correspondence to participate in training and matches.

2. Use of Appropriated Funds

a. While MCO 3591.25 provides for an annual authorization of up to \$30,000.00 each for separate rifle and pistol teams from both MCCDC and The Basic School (TBS), all appropriated funds will be combined since the MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team traditionally includes representatives of both MCCDC and TBS (i.e., the maximum authorization will be \$60,000.00).

b. The authorized appropriated funds for the MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team will be provided to and managed by the Commanding Officer, WTBn.

c. When requested by the Commanding Officer, WTBn, the Commanding General, MCCDC (C011) will issue TAD orders to participating members of the MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team, citing this Order and MCO 3591.25 as authority.

d. TAD funding for individuals or teams, belonging to other organizational or tenant activities, to participate in any local matches will be the responsibility of the organizational or tenant commander.

3. Organization of the MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team. The permanent team will be organized and staffed as follows:

a. OIC. One captain or major provided by WTBn (may shoot as desired).

b. Rifle Team (12 shooting members)

(1) Team Captain. One officer.

(2) Coach. One staff noncommissioned officer (SNCO) provided by WTBn.

(3) Shooters. Ten Marines of any rank.

c. Pistol Team (9 shooting members)

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(1) Team Captain. One officer.

(2) Noncommissioned Officer in Charge (NCOIC)/Coach. One SNCO provided by WTBn.

(3) Shooters. Seven Marines of any rank.

d. Staffing Goals. MCCDC activities will participate on a fair share basis as described in the guidelines for division matches in MCO 3591.25. The below staffing goals were derived from an average estimated on board strength of 3600 permanently assigned MCCDC Marines. Organizational commanders will provide, at a minimum, the following number of Marines (more are encouraged, if feasible):

(1) Headquarters and Service Battalion (HQSVCBn) - 11 (preferably, including one officer).

(2) Marine Corps Air Facility (MCAF) - 1.

(3) Security Battalion (SctyBn) - 2.

(4) TBS - 4 (preferably, including one officer).

(5) Officer Candidates School (OCS) - 1.

(6) WTBn - 3. (This quota is beyond the minimum and includes the aforementioned requirement for supervisory personnel of one officer (OIC) and two SNCO's (shooting NCOIC's).

4. Selection and Assignment of Team Members

a. Screening Criteria. Organizational commanders will screen prospective members utilizing the below criteria, which parallels that described in MCO 3591.25 for division match competitors. Members will be:

(1) A Marine (officer or enlisted) permanently assigned to MCCDC organizations (i.e., only HQSVCBn, MCAF, SctyBn, TBS, OCS, and WTBn; not tenant activities).

(2) Qualified as a sharpshooter or higher with the service rifle.

(3) Not convicted by a court-martial within six months of the announced date of the Eastern Division Matches or date of nomination, whichever is earlier.

(4) Not scheduled to be separated from the Marine Corps or released from active duty prior to 30 September of the year in which competing.

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(5) Volunteers of a reputable character.

(6) Capable of participating to the extent described below.

b. Participation Requirements/Impact on Regular Duties. Team members will remain assigned to their parent units but will be expected to participate in at least four days of training and matches during normal work days each month (e.g., may be scheduled as half days). Additional training and matches, including the Annual MCCDC Intramural Matches and the Eastern Division Matches, may be required by the Team OIC after normal working hours and on weekends. Organizational commanders will ensure team members are allowed the flexibility to meet commitments to the team as described in the annual schedule for MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team training and local/intramural matches.

c. Screening Procedures. Organizational commanders will nominate Marines for the team, subject to the requirements to accomplish the organization's primary mission. The Team OIC will in turn screen and approve all nominations. The Team OIC may also screen other prospective team members and make recommendations to organizational commanders, based on requalification details, match results, previous knowledge, and competition experience. Additional shooters may be nominated to the team subject to the approval of the organizational commander and the Team OIC.

d. Relief of Team Members. Due to disciplinary action, operational necessity, or transfer, the organizational commander or Team OIC may have to relieve a team member. A replacement will be nominated as soon as possible by the appropriate organizational commander.

ANNUAL MCCDC INTRAMURAL MATCHES

1. Events/Awards Schedule. The Annual MCCDC Intramural Matches will consist of the following individual and team events for which trophies (1st, 2nd and 3rd place) will be awarded:

a. MCCDC Individual Service Rifle Match. Awards in the following categories will be presented:

- (1) 200 yard slow fire (1st place award only).
- (2) 200 yard rapid fire (1st place award only).
- (3) 300 yard rapid fire (1st place award only).
- (4) 500 yard slow fire (1st place award only).
- (5) Aggregate of 1a(1) - (4) above (1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards).

b. MCCDC Individual Service Pistol Match. Awards in the following categories will be presented:

- (1) 25 yard slow fire (1st place award only).
- (2) 25 yard timed fire (1st place award only).
- (3) 25 yard rapid fire (1st place award only).
- (4) Aggregate of 1b(1) - (3) above (1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards).

c. MCCDC Individual Service Rifle and Pistol Grand Aggregate Match. Awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place will be presented.

d. Commanding General's Service Rifle Trophy Team Match. Only individual trophies will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place team members.

e. Commanding General's Service Pistol Trophy Team Match. Only individual trophies will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place team members.

f. Commanding General's Combat Infantry Trophy Team Match. Only individual trophies will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place team members.

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g. Commanding General's Trophy for the Intramural Competition-in-Arms Team Championship. A perpetual trophy will be awarded to the MCCDC organization amassing the greatest number of points in the three Trophy Team Matches.

2. Elisibility Rules

a. Individual Matches. Volunteers assigned to MCCDC (including activities) are eligible to compete in the individual matches. Members of the Marine Corps Shooting Teams, **WTBn** may not compete with their currently assigned weapon.

b. Commanding General's Trophy Team Matches

(1) Team competitors must be active duty, permanently assigned U. S. Marines, assigned to one of the six MCCDC organizations. They must represent their parent command.

(2) Members of the Marine Corps Shooting Teams, **WTBn** are ineligible to compete as team members in the team matches.

(3) Team competitors will also compete in all individual matches with both the rifle and pistol.

* (4) Each organization will be represented by an officer in charge. No longer is there a requirement for a firing officer.

c. Students. Students are eligible and encouraged to compete as individuals. Students assigned (by permanent change of station orders) to MCCDC are not used in computing organizational quotas and are ineligible to represent an organization in the Commanding General's Trophy Team Matches.

d. Other Marine Corps, Service, and Foreign Military Personnel. Other military personnel, assigned permanently or as students to MCCDC, and other Marine Corps personnel from off base activities may participate as individuals providing they meet all other eligibility requirements. They are not eligible to compete in the Commanding General's Trophy Team Matches.

e. Civilians. Civilians and dependents are not eligible to compete.

3. Orsanizational Commanders. Each MCCDC organizational commander will enter at least one four-Marine team (Team "A") in the trophy team matches. Permanent MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team members may be included in Team "A" but may not be counted against the four-Marine requirement. Additional competitors including other volunteers may be organized as teams by the organizational commander and designated Teams "B," "C," etc.

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EASTERN DIVISION MATCHES

1. Organization. To ensure a competitive edge in the Eastern Division Matches, the 22-Marine MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team may be augmented by additional shooters recommended by the Team OIC and organizational commanders from the participants in the Annual MCCDC Intramural Matches. (Note: Using the 3600 Marine planning figure, MCCDC is required to provide a minimum of 20 shooters.) The augmented MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team will parallel the permanent team organization as directed/required by the OIC, MCO 3591.25, and this Order. The team will remain representative of the entire Command.

2. Training. Once approved by the Commanding General (C032), the augmentee shooters will participate with the MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team as required in the team's previously published annual training and local match schedule. The entire team will be assigned TAD to WTBn, at least 15 days prior to departure (and for 2 days upon return) for the Eastern Division Matches, to be equipped and undergo further training and screening under the auspices of the Team OIC. Training will emphasize proficiency with both service weapons.

3. Team OIC for Eastern Division Matches. The OIC will be the senior officer and competitor assigned. The OIC of the permanent MCCDC Rifle and Pistol Team, if lesser grade than the senior officer assigned, will act as the assistant and shoot as desired/feasible.

4. Replacements. Should total team membership for the Eastern Division Matches fall below 20 shooters due to attrition, the Team OIC will nominate replacements, up until 15 days prior to the Eastern Division Matches.