

INFANTRY MACHINEGUNNER COURSE PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

SECTION III - SCOPE OF ANNEXES

A. M16A2 SERVICE RIFLE. This annex is designed to reinforce the marksmanship skills initiated in Recruit Training. Marines perform weapons handling skills and field expedient zero their weapon for firing.

B. M249 SQUAD AUTOMATIC WEAPON. The intent of this annex is to familiarize each Marine in the handling, maintenance, and firing of the M249 squad automatic weapon. The Marine fires a modified transition course of fire for familiarization with the weapon.

C. M203 GRENADE LAUNCHER. The purpose of this annex is to familiarize each Marine in the handling, maintenance, and firing of the M203 grenade launcher. The Marine fires the M203 grenade launcher using the leaf sight.

D. MUNITIONS. The intent of this annex is to provide the Marine with experience in the munitions commonly used by an infantry squad. The Marine engages targets with hand grenades, engages targets with the M287 Bullet Tracer Training Device, emplaces and recovers a M18A1 claymore mine, and detects mines and boobytraps.

E. LAND NAVIGATION. The purpose of this annex is to initiate the development of the land navigation skills essential to all infantry Marines. The Marine calibrates a compass, navigates a three point course with a compass, performs topographic map reading, navigates a five point course with map and compass, and learns techniques for determining location.

F. COMBAT CONDITIONING. The intent of this annex is to enhance the level of combat conditioning and martial arts training initiated in Recruit Training.

G. COMMUNICATIONS. The purpose of this annex is to develop basic skills in the set up, operation, and maintenance of squad level communications assets. The Marine communicates a message using prowords with field phones and the AN/PRC-119 SINCGARS field radio.

H. NUCLEAR, BIOLOGICAL, AND CHEMICAL PROTECTION MEASURES. The purpose of this annex is to initiate the Marine in the skills necessary to survive a nuclear, biological, or chemical attack. The Marine develops skill in the use of personal protective equipment, NBC detection measures, decontamination, and the treatment of self or a chemical agent casualty.

I. OFFENSE. The purpose of this annex is to provide Marines with the skills required to effectively move, shoot, and communicate as a member of a rifle squad. The Marine develops an understanding of the three phases of offensive combat and executes squad attacks through the objective to include consolidation and reorganization.

J. DEFENSE. The intent of this annex is to develop the skills required to repel the enemy by fire. The Marine prepares a machinegun fighting position, develops a PDF and FPL machinegun range card, and engages the enemy upon command or upon entry of an assigned sector of fire.

K. SCOUTING AND PATROLLING. The purpose of this annex is to develop the skills necessary to perform as a member of a combat patrol out of the defense. The Marine will prepare for a patrol, perform assigned duties in the execute of a combat patrol, and report information.

L. MILITARY OPERATIONS ON URBAN TERRAIN. The intent of this annex is to familiarize the Marine with the unique challenges posed by operating on urban terrain. The Marine performs individual movement techniques on urban terrain.

M. M240G MEDIUM MACHINEGUN. The intent of this annex is to qualify each Marine in the maintenance, operation, troubleshooting, and firing of a M240G medium machinegun. The Marine fires a M240G medium machinegun from the bipod and tripod. The Marine executes

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tripod and bipod 10 meter, tripod and bipod transition, predetermined data, and night vision sight courses of fire designed to prepare them for assignment as a machinegunner.

N. M2 HEAVY MACHINEGUN. The intent of this annex is to qualify each Marine in the maintenance, operating, troubleshooting, and firing of a M2 heavy machinegun. The Marine fires the M2 heavy machinegun from the tripod and vehicle. Executes 10 meter, tripod and vehicle transition, predetermined data, and night vision sight courses of fire designed to prepare the Marine for assignment as a machinegunner.

O. MK 19 HEAVY MACHINEGUN. The intent of this annex is to qualify each Marine in the maintenance, operation, troubleshooting, and firing a MK 19 heavy machinegun. The Marine fires a MK 19 heavy machinegun from a tripod and vehicle mount. The Marine executes tripod and vehicle transition, predetermined data, and night vision sight courses of fire designed to prepare the Marine for assignment as a machinegunner.

P. BATTLE SKILLS ASSESSMENT EXERCISE. This annex serves as the culminating event and is designed to provide the Marine an opportunity to utilize their individual skills in the execution of supervised, force-on-force, tactical exercises. A Marine performs as a member of a machinegun team or squad in execution of a base of fire for a rifle squad attack and as a machinegun attachment to a squad sized combat patrol. The exercise will also be used by the training unit staff as a tool to assess the immediate effectiveness of the program of instruction.

Z. ADMINISTRATION. This annex contains an accounting of the administrative time required in the conduct of the program of instruction.