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OPERATIONS

Ref: (a) MCO 3571.2_
(b) OPNAVINST 5530.13C
(c) MCO 5530.14A
(d) MCO 11240.66D
(e) MCO 11240.106C
(f) MCO 5215.1K Marine Corps Directives
(g) SECNAV M-5210.1 Records Management Manual
(h) MCO 5210.11F Marine Corps Records Management Program

1. Situation. To provide policy and guidance for Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Beaufort Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD), which meets the requirements of reference (a).

2. Cancellation. ASO 8027.3B Ch 1

3. Mission. This order contains instructions on duties, responsibilities, operations, administration, and logistics pertinent to EOD operations in support of MCAS Beaufort and its surrounding counties. All EOD personnel will be familiar with the contents of this order as well as all references. All units requiring support from EOD should familiarize themselves with this order and its references to ensure optimum EOD support.

4. Execution

(a) Commander's Intent. Commanding Officers will be guided in all matters pertaining to EOD operations and incidents requiring EOD support by the policy and procedures set forth in this order.

(b) Concept of Operations. This order sets forth a basis for operational support of organic EOD assets to support administrative, strategic, operational, and tactical requirements.

5. Administration and Logistics

a. Recommendations concerning the content of this order are invited. Such recommendations will be forwarded to the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section Officer in Charge (OIC) via the appropriate chain of command.

b. Directives issued by this Headquarters are published and distributed electronically via email. Electronic versions of the Station Directives can be obtained through the website:

(<https://eis.usmc.mil/sites/bfirt/Command%20and%20Staff0/Adjutant/MCAS%20Directives/Pages/default.aspx>).

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c. Changes or revisions of this directive shall be managed in accordance with requirements set forth in reference (f) and managed in accordance with references (g) and (h).

6. Command and Signal

a. Command. This Order is applicable to all units who require support from the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section. It serves as a basis for all explosive ordnance disposal activities, except when directives from higher headquarters take precedence. Commanding Officers will be guided in all matters pertaining to EOD operations by the policy/procedures set forth in this Order.

b. Signal. This Order is effective on the date signed.



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CHAPTER 1

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Mission. The Marine Corps Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) mission is to support the Marine Air Ground Task Force (MAGTF), Supporting Establishment, Homeland Defense, and other government agencies by detecting/locating, accessing, diagnosing, rendering safe/neutralizing, recovering, exploiting, and disposing of hazards from foreign and domestic Unexploded Explosive Ordnance (UXO), Improvised Explosive Device (IED), and Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) that present a threat to operations, installations, personnel, materiel, and external organizations.

2. EOD Organizations

a. Supporting Establishment EOD Organization. Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Beaufort consists of one EOD section. The EOD section consists of one Marine Officer (MOS 2305) and seven Marine enlisted (MOS 2336). The EOD section falls under the Director S-3/5/7.

b. Supporting Force EOD Organization. Marine Wing Support Squadron (MWSS) 273 consists of one EOD section. The EOD section consists of one Marine Officer (MOS 2305) and six Enlisted (MOS 2336). The EOD Section falls under Headquarters and Headquarters Service Company MWSD-273.

c. MCAS Beaufort EOD and MWSS-273 EOD are co-located to maximize facility resources, consolidate EOD assets, and ease coordinating EOD support.

d. Direct liaison between MCAS Beaufort EOD and MWSS-273 EOD is authorized for purposes of coordinating EOD support, training, duties, and responsibilities.

3. Administration

a. Per references (b) and (c), and for National Security reasons, Building 2091 is designated as a Level One Restricted Area facility. Room 111 within is designated as a Level Two Restricted Area room.

b. All EOD personnel, to include EOD Officers, must possess a valid driver's license with qualifications for explosive driver and emergency vehicle operator. Per references (d) and (e), officers will have authorization to drive government vehicles.

c. By this order, all vehicles assigned to EOD are designated as Emergency Vehicles.

d. EOD is authorized to operate Non-Tactical Vehicle/Equipment (NTV/E) in civilian attire when deemed mission appropriate by the MCAS EOD OIC.

4. Duties and Responsibilities

a. MCAS Beaufort Operations, Plans, and External Affairs Directorate (S-3/5/7)

(1) Ensure MCAS Beaufort EOD is appropriately manned, equipped,

trained, and financed to respond to MCAS Beaufort missions and missions as outlined in accordance with reference (a).

(2) Provide Range Safety Officer and Range Officer in Charge training in order to fulfill the requirements to conduct a proper range.

(3) MCAS Beaufort EOD Section

(a) Establish and maintain duty order for the EOD section that encompasses emergency and non-emergency response procedures, requirements, and priorities for all reported EOD incidents as well as other specific operations and/or requirements that are deemed necessary.

(b) Ensure all assigned EOD personnel are properly trained and possess the necessary requirements in order to provide EOD response services to designated locations.

(c) Prepare monthly EOD duty roster and ensure Provost Marshal's Office (PMO) has a copy no later than the 1st of every month.

b. MCAS Beaufort Logistics Directorate (S-4)

(1) Public Works Division

(a) Per references (b) and (c), ensure the MCAS Beaufort EOD Building 2091 meets all physical security requirements to store appropriate quantities of Class V (W) items for emergency response.

(b) Ensure the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section has the capability and capacity to store up to a combined 50 pounds, Trinitrotoluene (TNT) equivalent, net explosive weight (NEW) of hazard class/division 1.1 and 1.4 as part of their emergency response tool kit in Building 2091.

(c) Ensure the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section has a designated magazine in the Ammunition Supply Point aboard MCAS Beaufort capable of storing required Class V (W) items based current fiscal year Class V (W) detailed allowance review report.

(d) Ensure the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section has a designated magazine in the Ammunition Supply Point aboard MCAS Beaufort capable of temporary storage of explosive hazards recovered during response.

(e) Ensure the MCAS Beaufort EOD Building 2091 and designated EOD magazines, comply with fire protection regulations and safety/physical security requirements in accordance with all appropriate regulations.

(2) Motor Transportation Division

(a) Provide NTV/E for the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section. Their NTV/E requirement to remain fully mission capable and provide a 24-hour emergency response is:

1. Three (3) four-wheel drive, off road capable Emergency Vehicles with all terrain tires, and outfitted and capable of carrying explosives. They must be equipped and capable of pulling the EOD response trailer, with required response gear, pulling the EOD Total

Containment Vessel (TCV), which weighs in excess of 12,000 pounds, and having a means of reasonable self-recovery from hazardous on or off road conditions in an austere environment. This capability is most commonly accomplished by the addition of a winch.

2. One EOD response trailer or fully enclosed response truck, tandem axle, having at least 5,000 pound capacity per axle, granting a gross vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds as a minimum. This trailer or enclosed truck must be capable of carrying 10,000 pounds of weight and be fitted with proper storage and work space to enable emergency response.

(b) EOD vehicles must be equipped with appropriate emergency lighting, sound devices, mounted communication equipment, and be physically located in the EOD compound when not in use.

(c) Ensure that EOD vehicles requiring maintenance are given priority over all other non-emergency vehicles. EOD vehicles requiring extended maintenance will be replaced with a vehicle of similar capabilities as to not hinder a response.

(d) EOD vehicles shall not be equipped with devices which are not Hazard from Electromagnetic Radiation to Ordnance (HERO) certified, and would prevent access to ammunition storage areas, limit the transportation of Class V (W) material and UXO, or would prevent other security and safety concerns.

(e) Initiate an annual Tables of Equipment (T/E) review with the MCAS Beaufort EOD OIC, per reference (c), in order to ensure the continued availability of appropriate vehicles and trailers. This will ensure that there is a current on hand requirements document should vehicles or trailers be replaced out of cycle.

c. Director of Safety

(1) Provide Emergency Vehicle Operator Course (EVOC) certificate training in order to operate EOD response vehicles while using emergency lighting and sound devices for on-station and off-station responses.

(2) Provide training to ensure the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section is licensed to drive all assigned NTV/E.

(3) Provide Explosive Driver's Handling Course in order to ensure the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section is able to operate response vehicles while transporting ammunition and explosives.

(4) MCAS Beaufort's EOD Section is authorized to store up to a combined 50 pounds, Trinitrotoluene (TNT) equivalent, NEW of hazard class/division 1.1 and 1.4 as part of their emergency response tool kit in building 2091.

d. PMO

(1) Maintain a copy of the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section duty roster.

(2) Receive and initiate requests for emergency EOD support for explosive related incidents via the dispatch center, and notify MCAS the

Beaufort EOD Section at (843) 228-9043 (weekday business hours) or the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section Duty (843) 321-6618 after hours or when unable to reach via the first number.

e. Telecommunications and Information Systems Directorate (S-6)

(1) Provide 10 HERO certified hand held radios with charging station in order to maintain communications with PMO, Emergency Operations Center, Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting (ARFF), Range Control, Fire and Emergency Services, and Air Traffic Control.

(2) Provide, install, and maintain vehicle-mounted radio assets for each of the response vehicles capable of communicating with the above listed entities.

(3) Provide, install, and maintain a communication base station at the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section Building 2091 that is capable of communicating with the above listed entities.

(4) Provide two (2) cell phones with internet access and the ability to hardline connect a computer to these devices.

CHAPTER 2

PERSONNEL

1. Capabilities. In addition to the MCAS Beaufort EOD section duties, the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section will support and enhance PMO with dynamic entry capabilities when required.
2. Administration. At the discretion of the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section OIC, the uniform is the camouflage utilities or the one or two piece flight suits. Per reference (d), camouflage utilities or flight suits are authorized for wear off-station during an EOD response.
3. Billet Assignments
 - a. Due to the technical and perishable nature of the EOD skill set, MCAS Beaufort EOD personnel will not be assigned as a primary billet holder outside of EOD duties and responsibilities that would interfere with the training or response capabilities of the section.
 - b. All qualified MCAS Beaufort EOD Section personnel, when not operationally employed, shall be available monthly for assignment to the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section duty schedule.
 - c. MCAS Beaufort EOD Section personnel qualified to stand EOD watch will not be assigned to other watches.

CHAPTER 3

EOD DUTY AND RESPONSE

1. EOD Response. The policies and procedures outlined below are established to ensure a safe and effective EOD capability is maintained.

a. Emergency Response. An emergency response is warranted when a hazard has been identified that has the potential to cause injury or death to persons or property.

b. Non-Emergency Response. Non-emergency responses are categorized as hazards not posing an immediate threat to personnel or property. The hazard must also not have the potential to become an emergency based on time and location. All responses will be considered emergencies until downgraded by the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section OIC, MCAS Beaufort Senior Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge (SNCOIC), or the on-duty MCAS Beaufort EOD Section supervisor.

c. Routine Support. Routine support are services or requests that have the ability to be forecasted (e.g. requests for training, on-site EOD support for digging, and static displays).

d. On-Station Emergency Response. Requests will be directed to the MCAS Beaufort emergency dispatch center at (843)228-6710.

e. Off-Station Emergency Response. All requests will be directed to the MCAS Beaufort emergency dispatch center at (843)228-6710. The MCAS Beaufort EOD Section will only respond to assistance requests from federal, state, and local law enforcement authorities. Private citizen requests will not be honored and the caller will be advised to contact their local police department or 911. All off-station responses are provided with public safety in mind.

f. On-Station Non-Emergency Response. Requests can be made to the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section Operations Chief (843) 228-9043 during regular business hours. After hours the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section Duty Technician can be reached at 843-321-6618 or via the emergency dispatch center.

g. Off-Station Non-Emergency Response. Requests can be made to the MCAS Beaufort EOD Operations Chief (843) 228-9043 during regular business hours. After hours the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section Duty Technician can be reached at 843-321-6618 or via the emergency dispatch center.

h. On/Off-Station Routine Support. All requests need to be submitted in writing at least 14 business days in advance. The request letter should include: type of assistance requested, date, time, location, requesting unit, and point of contact information.

2. EOD Duty Watch Standing. During normal Force Protection conditions the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section will maintain a minimum of a two-person, 24 hour/7 day a week EOD Response Duty. During periods of increased Force Protection conditions, special events or as determined by the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section OIC, the size of the MCAS Beaufort EOD Section Duty Team may be increased and may be required to stand their duty in Building 2091.