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STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (HOTSOP) BULLETIN

Ref: (a) MEFPOL 5-23 Training and Heat-Related Injury Mitigation

Directive

Encl: (1) Wallace Creek Government Vehicle Schedule.

1. <u>Situation</u>. In accordance with reference (a), II Marine Expeditionary Force (MEF) subordinate units shall adhere to new training guidance in order to better protect the Marine Corps most precious asset from heat related injury.

2. <u>Mission</u>. II MEF Information Group (MIG) will implement appropriate measures to create a safe training environment during the HOTSOP period from 1 May to 31 October.

3. Execution

(a) Concept of Operations.

- 1. In compliance with reference (a), training conducted during the months of May through October must be properly planned in order to prevent heat casualties. MIG Command Duty Officer (CDO) and battalion's Officer of the Day (OOD) shall log the Wet Bulb Global Temperature Index (WBGTI) flag conditions before and after every outdoor training event conducted from 1 May to 31 October in their respective logbooks. Battalions are required to have a Corpsman or Tactical Combat Casualty Care (TCCC) Marine for all outdoor activity to include the Physical Fitness Test, Combat Fitness Test, physical training of more than three individuals, hikes, Marine Corps Martial Arts Program, or any other physical training event. During Black Flag conditions, all training participants, including those conduct personal fitness in authorized civilian attire, shall have a water source with a minimum of 1 quart of water on them at all times.
- 2. Battalions shall ensure the presence of a safety vehicle (Government Vehicle) at all training events. Equipment requirements for the safety vehicle include water, coolers with ice, ice sheets or cooling blankets, and towels in an ice water slurry. Vehicle operators will familiarize themselves with the primary routes to the nearest medical facility. Any military or government vehicle capable of transporting a casualty or casualties may serve as the safety vehicle.

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The use of personal vehicles as safety vehicles for training events is not authorized.

3. Battalions in the vicinity of Wallace Creek Area will share a single duty vehicle and its required contents for all training from 0600-0900. The battalions are required to provide their own Corpsman or TCCC trained Marine. Prior to executing the training, the unit leader will check in with the duty vehicle driver for communication verification, currently via cellular phones. In the event a casualty evacuation is needed, the respective unit will contact their respective duty and duty driver to notify them of situation and location. The duty driver will notify the other units conducting physical fitness and to advise them to pause. A battalion will be designated each week to provide the vehicle and contents as outlined above. The responsible battalions can be identified in enclosure (1).

(b) Tasks

1. Battalions.

- (a) Provide duty vehicle, driver, assistant driver, (1) ice chest with ice, and (1) ice chest with 50 percent water, 50 percent ice, ice sheets or colling blankets, and towels during the appointed time as outlined in enclosure (1) and all other training events. Duty vehicle will be staged in the parking lot infront of WC500.
- (b) Ensure unit leaders are conducting a casualty evacuation pre-brief prior to the execution of training.
- (c) Conduct annual heat injury mitigation training no later than 30 April. Training sections shall log rosters in MCTIMS to ensure full compliance.
- (d) Ensure the CDO/OOD is logging the WBGTI flag conditions as required and notifying unit leaders when Red Flag or Black Flag conditions occur. WBGTI Flag conditions for the current time can be found at https://ahss.lejeune.usmc.mil/Maps/CampLejeune.
- (e) Equip Corpsmen or TCCC support with necessary items as outlined in reference (a) during all individual training events after 0900 or outside the vicinity of Wallace Creek.
- (f) Train five percent of your Marines to be TCCC qualified to substitute for Corpsman support in situations of Corpsman unavailability. No less than 5 percent of a battalion will be TCCC qualified during the HOTSOP period.
- (g) Cease all training if the requirements in reference (a) and this bulletin are not met.
- (h) Conduct an annual Casualty Evacuation Exercise (CASEX) no later than 30 April.

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- (i) During Black Flag conditions, all training participants, including those conducting personal fitness in authorized civilian attire, shall have a water source with a minimum of 1 quart of water with them at all times.
- (j) Review and follow the MEFPOL 5-23 directive for the appropriate climatization period for newly joined Marines.

2. Medical

- (a) Provide Corpsman support as requested by the battalions as the primary means of heat injury mitigation.
- (b) Conduct periodic TCCC courses to ensure the battalions have adequately trained personnel in heat mitigation.
- 4. Admin and Logistics. All logistical requirements in order to conduct HOTSOP are included in reference (a) and are the responsibility of the individual battalions to provide during the times as outlined in this bulletin.
- 5. Command and Signal. The point of contact is the II MIG Operations Officer, Lieutenant Colonel Christopher M. Zajac at (910) 449-8512 or via email at christopher.zajac@usmc.mil.

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Acting

Week	Battalion
May 29-June 2	2D Radio Battalion
June 5-June 9	2D ANGLICO
June 12-June 16	2D Intel Battalion
June 18-June 23	2D Radio Battalion
June 26-June 30	2D ANGLICO
July 3-July 7	2D Intel Battalion
July 10-July 14	2D Radio Battalion
July 17-July 21	2D ANGLICO
July 24-July 28	2D Intel Battalion
July 31- August 4	2D Radio Battalion
August 7- August 11	2D ANGLICO
August 14-August 18	2D Intel Battalion
August 21 - August 25	2D Radio Battalion
August 28 - Spetember 1	2D ANGLICO
September 4 -September 8	2D Intel Battalion
September 11- September 15	2D Radio Battalion
Spetember 18-September 22	2D ANGLICO
September 25 -September 29	2D Intel Battalion
October 2-October 6	2D Radio Battalion
October 9-October 13	2D ANGLICO
October 16-October 20	2D Intel Battalion
October 23-October 27	2D Radio Battalion
October 30-October 31	2D ANGLICO

