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Subj: 2ND BATTALION, 5TH MARINES MISSION ESSENTIAL TASK LIST (2/5 METL)

Ref: (a) 5th Marines METL  
(b) MCO 3501.3C MCCRES Volume II, Infantry Units  
(c) MCO 3501.10A MCCRES Volume IX, MEU(SOC) Units

Encl: (1) 2/5 METL  
(2) METL Guidance for Subordinate Units

1. **Purpose.** To define the probable wartime tasks of the battalion.
2. **Cancellation.** 2/5 METL, dtd 1 Sep 99.
3. **Discussion.** Encl (1), the Battalion METL, defines the probable wartime tasks of the battalion. All battalion training will contribute directly to the accomplishment of these tasks. This Battalion METL complies with Ref (a).
4. **Subordinate METLs.** A battalion METL consists only of battalion-level tasks that may be assigned to the battalion in combat. In support of these tasks, subordinate units construct their own METLs. Encl (2) provides guidance for subordinate METLs.
5. **Tasks**
  - a. Company Commanders. Read the METL. Submit a company METL for the battalion commander's approval NLT 1 Oct 2000.
  - b. Primary Staff Officers. Read the METL. Submit a section METL for the XO's approval NLT 1 Oct 2000.

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## 2/5 METL

### 1. Operate as the GCE of a MEU(SOC).

- a. Conditions: Night, Urban, Jungle / Forest, Mountain / Cold, Desert, and NBC.
- b. Training Standards: Ref (c).

### 2. Conduct an Attack.

- a. Conditions: Night, Urban, Jungle / Forest, Mountain / Cold, Desert, and NBC.
- b. Training Standards: Ref (b): 2A.9 through 2A.14, 2A.16.
- c. Notes. Includes Movement to Contact (2A.9) and Infiltration.

### 3. Defend.

- a. Conditions: Night, Urban, Jungle / Forest, Mountain / Cold, Desert, and NBC.
- b. Training Standards: Ref (b): 2A.12, 2A.13, 2A.15, 2A.16, 2A.17.
- c. Notes. Includes Patrol Operations (2A.16).

### 4. Conduct an Amphibious Assault.

- a. Conditions: By any combination of surface and air transport.
- b. Training Standards: Ref (b): 2A.1.

### 5. Conduct a Helicopterborne Operation.

- a. Conditions: Night, Urban, Jungle / Forest, Mountain / Cold, Desert.
- b. Training Standards: Ref (b): 2A.9, 2A.10, 2A.11

### 6. Muster at SPOE or APOE in order to Deploy Overseas.

- a. Conditions: Given a deployment order, 72 hours notice, and an assigned APOE or SPOE.
- b. Notes: Includes MPF Operations and ACM contingency preparations.

### 7. Conduct Relief Operations.

- a. Conditions: Night, Urban, Jungle / Forest, Mountain / Cold, Desert, and NBC.
- b. Training Standards: Ref (b): 2A.12, 2A.13, 2A.14.
- c. Notes: Includes Relief-in-Place (2A.14), Passage of Lines (2A.13) and Link-Up (2A.12).

## METL Guidance for Subordinate Units

1. Subordinate Unit METLs support the battalion METL. They include only those tasks that could be assigned to the unit in combat.
2. Rifle companies should refer to Ref (b), section 2H (Rifle Company), 2B (Squad and Rifle Platoon), and 2C (Weapons Platoon). Weapons Company should refer to Ref (b), section 2D (HMG), 2E (TOW / Dragon), and 2F (81mm Mortars).
3. Echo Company METL must include:
  - a. Conduct an amphibious raid.
  - b. Conduct a night attack.
4. Fox Company METL must include: Conduct a CRRC raid.
5. Golf Company METL must include: Conduct a helicopterborne raid.
6. Weapons Company METL must include: Conduct a motorized raid.
7. H&S Company METL must include:
  - a. Conduct Battalion COC Operations.
  - b. Conduct ECC operations in support of a NEO.
8. Staff. The battalion METL requires the following minimum staff tasks:
  - a. S-1. Maintain accountability including casualty and replacement accountability.
  - b. S-2. Plan and Conduct R&S Operations. (Ref (b): section 2G)
  - c. S-3. Plan and Conduct Deception Operations. (Ref (b): 2A.3)
  - d. S-4. Conduct Logistics Operations. (Ref (b): 2A.5)
  - e. S-6. Conduct C4I Operations. (Ref (b): 2A.2 through 2A.8)
  - f. FSC. Plan and Employ Supporting Arms. (Ref (b): 2A.7, 2A.8)
9. Subordinate unit METLs do NOT address the following battalion-level tasks:
  - a. METL 6. Muster at SPOE or APOE in order to deploy overseas.
  - b. METL 8. Conduct Relief Operations.