MARINE CORPS BASE ORDER 6200.1B

From: Commander
To: Distribution List

Subj: HEAT CASUALTY PREVENTION PROGRAM

Ref: (a) MCO 3500.27B (Operational Risk Management)
(b) MCO 6200.1E W/Ch 1 (Marine Corps Heat Injury Prevention Program)
(c) Naval Preventive Medicine: Chapter 9 (Preventive Medicine for Ground Forces), Section V (Prevention of Heat Injuries)

Encl: (1) Guidelines for Physical Activity Restrictions
(2) Operation and Control of the Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT) Index
(3) Operation and Control of the Botsball Thermometer
(4) Instructions for the Control and Operation of the Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT) Meter
(5) Instructions for Use and Care of the Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT) Instrument Setup
(6) Instructions for Inspection/Maintenance of the Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT) Stations
(7) Checklist for Inspection of the Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT) Stations
(8) Report I, Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT) Index Log Sheet for WBGT Meter
(9) Report II, Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT) Index Log Sheet for WBGT Instrument Setup
(10) Heat Condition Notification Log
(11) Report III, Report NAVMED 6500/1

Reports Required: Report of Heat/Cold Casualty, NAVMED 6500/1 (Report Symbol Exempt), paragraph 4f and enclosure (11)

1. Situation

   a. Purpose. The Heat Casualty Prevention Program provides information necessary for the setup, monitoring, and care of Wet Bulb Globe Thermometer (WBGT) stations or electronic Heat Stress
Indicator Monitors, and provides instructions which regulate training and lower the incidence of heat casualties.

b. Information

(1) The climate in Quantico, VA from May to September can best be described as extremely hot and humid. It is not uncommon for temperatures to reach 100 degrees with dew points rising above 80 percent. Each year during this period Marine Corps Base, Quantico (MCBQ) experiences several heat casualties requiring medical evacuation (MEDEVAC) to a Naval Health Clinic or local emergency medical facility. Therefore, caution must be given to all commands and tenant activities aboard MCBQ to exercise sound judgment, operational risk management per reference (a), and good common sense while planning and supervising all activities. Furthermore, it is imperative that all commands not only be familiar with this Order and references, but more importantly have firmly in place the means to educate all their personnel on associated severe heat conditions and how to prevent and treat heat-related injuries.

(2) The Bureau of Medicine and Surgery has conducted extensive research on the problem of heat injury. References (b) and (c) contain instructions on the prevention of heat casualties. Reference (c) contains comprehensive instructions regarding the prevention of and first aid treatment for heat casualties. All permanent personnel supervising training will receive detailed instructions on enclosures (1) and (11) of this Order.

(3) Exposure to high ambient temperatures produces stress on the body. As the body attempts to compensate, physiological strain results. This strain, usually coupled with other strains caused by work, dehydration, and fatigue, may lead to manifestation of heat disorders and disability. Environmental conditions which influence the heat equilibrium of the body and its physiologic adjustments are air temperature, the temperature of surrounding objects, humidity, and air movement. The impact of these conditions is influenced by the type and amount of clothing worn and by the body's physiological mechanisms. The occurrence of heat injuries is not limited to hot weather. Although heat casualty prevention has primary consideration during the period from 1 May to 30 September, it is a year-round concern for all training supervisors.

2. Cancellation. MCBO 6200.1A.

3. Mission. As directed and in accordance with the reference, Hearing Conservation Program (HCP) provides information
necessary for the setup, monitoring, and care of WBGT stations or electronic Heat Stress Indicator Monitors, and provides instructions which regulate training and lower the incidence of heat casualties aboard MCBQ.

4. Execution

   a. Commander’s Intent. HCP will provide detailed and timely heat safety information to MCBQ.

   b. Concept of Operations. HCP provides heat safety information to MCBQ for the education of personnel on associated severe and consistent heat conditions, and how to prevent and treat heat-related injuries.

   c. Tasks

      (1) Director of Operations, G-3. Exercise staff cognizance over Range Management Branch.

         (a) Range Control Officer, Range Management Branch

             1. Operate stations and applicable equipment.

             2. Obtain, record, and report readings per the enclosures of this order.

             3. Provide MCBQ organizations and tenant activities located west of I-95 with accurate and timely flag and temperature readings.

             4. Maintain a phone log recording the dissemination of this information similar to that of enclosure (10).

         (b) MCBQ organizations and tenant activities west of I-95 (Guadalcanal Area) include: The Basic School (TBS), Explosive Ordnance Disposal, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs, Weapons Training Battalion (WTBn), Ammunition Supply Point, Lunga Reservoir, Guad Maintenance, Federal Bureau of Investigation, and I&I, D Co, 4th LAR Bn, Camp Upshur.

      (2) Director of Operations, G-6. Exercise staff cognizance over the G-6 Watch Officer.
(a) Receive WBGT readings from Marine Corps Air Facility (MCAF) Quantico Mass Notification System (QMNS) message for flag conditions on the east side of MCBQ.

(b) Receive WBGT readings from Range Management Branch QMNS message for flag conditions on the west side of MCBQ.

(c) Update the MCBQ website “Flag Conditions/Weather Operations” linked information immediately after message is received from either RMB or MCAF for their respective area of responsibility.

(3) **Officer Candidates School (OCS)**

(a) Commanding Officer (CO) will ensure weekly WBGT or Heat Stress Indicator reading comparisons are conducted to ensure instrument accuracy.

(b) If any organization utilizes different mechanical means of collecting temperature data, a comparison will still be made in order to gauge not only the accuracy, but the benefit or cost of either apparatus.

(4) **MCBQ Organizations and Tenant Activities.** Establish standard operating procedures for the dissemination of flag and temperature readings to the personnel within your organization or activity.

(5) **Officer-in-Charge, Branch Clinics**

(a) Submit directly to Naval Health Clinic Quantico, a copy of Report of Heat/Cold Casualty, NAVMED 6500/1, in every case of heat illness requiring the attention of a medical officer as required by the references (see enclosure (11)).

(b) Forward required injury reports to the Director, Safety Division per reference (b).

(6) **Marine Corps Air Facility (MCAF)**

(a) CO, MCAF, will ensure weekly WBGT or Heat Stress Indicator reading comparisons are conducted to ensure instrument accuracy.
(b) If any organization utilizes different mechanical means of collecting temperature data, a comparison will still be made in order to gauge not only the accuracy, but the benefit or cost of either apparatus.

(c) Provide MCBQ organizations and tenant activities located east of I-95 with accurate and timely flag and temperature readings.

d. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Heat Stress Flag Locations. Heat stress flagpoles are located at various sites throughout MCBQ.

   (a) Lejeune Hall: Front, near Command flagpole (Training Branch, G-3).

   (b) Marine Corps Air Facility (MCAF): Opposite sentry booth (CO MCAF)

   (c) OCS: Brown Field, front of reviewing stand (CO OCS).

   (d) Staff Non-commissioned Officer Academy (SNCOA): Northeast corner of parade deck at street intersection (Director, SNCOA).

   (e) Expeditionary Warfare School (EWS): Southwest end of Geiger Hall (Director, EWS).

   (f) Headquarters and Service Battalion (HqSvcBn): Between buildings 2006 and 2000 (CO HqSvcBn).

   (g) TBS: In front of Gonzalez Hall and in front of Heywood Hall (CO TBS).

   (h) WTBn: At HQ Building 27211 (CO WTBn).

   (i) Camp Upshur: Beside the water tower, building 26102 (I&I, D CO, 4th LAR Bn).

   (j) Range Control: Front of Range Control building (Range Control Officer).

   (2) WBGT. There are currently three WBGT index stations to serve MCBQ. These stations will operate per enclosure (2) of this Order.
(a) MCAF: East of I-95 (primary reading).

(b) OCS: East of I-95 (secondary reading).

(c) Range Control: Camp Barrett (TBS) west of I-95.

3 Action. Commanders will:

(a) Be aware of the hours of operation at branch clinics, before conducting training and/or exercises likely to result in heat stress.

(b) Disseminate instructions contained in references (a) and (c), and enclosure (1) of reference (b) to all Marines engaged in training during hot weather.

(c) Use the guidelines contained in enclosure (1) of this Order in determining the extent of physical activity allowable under the various heat stress data classifications.

(d) Ensure all personnel who are responsible for the setup, monitoring, and care of the WBGT stations (and four Botsball thermometers as a backup) have a thorough knowledge of the provisions of the references and this Order.

(e) Ensure that all personnel assigned and trained to conduct temperature readings are thoroughly aware of the procedures outlined in the enclosures of this order.

(f) Commanders having WGBT stations under their cognizance will maintain instrument sites and meters as required by this order and provide the readings for use in the regulation of training.

(g) Ensure all personnel exercise sound judgment in adjusting activities during all flag conditions.

(h) Instruct all personnel if a casualty occurs without medical attention immediately available, call “911” for on scene emergency medical services (EMS). On scene EMS technicians will determine further medical assistance or MEDEVAC.

4 Civilian Employees

(a) Employers will observe heat flag restrictions in locations where civilian employees are training or working in non-climate controlled areas when possible.
(b) Precautions shall be taken to alleviate hardships where employees are required to work in non-climate controlled areas during red and black heat flag conditions, such as diminished physical activities, extra rest and water breaks, and protection from the sun.

5. Administration and Logistics. In addition to heat stress flag locations, the MCBQ website at www.quantico.usmc.mil will be updated as needed and available at the following link: “Flag Conditions/Weather Operations.”

6. Command and Signal

a. The director of operations may be contacted at 703-784-4957/2860/3420 and the hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 0730 to 1630.

b. Range Control, Range Management Branch may be contacted at 703-784-5321/5322 (recorded).

c. OCS S-3 may be contacted at 703-784-2565.

d. Medical Emergency dial 911. If 911 services are unavailable, dial 703-784-2636 for emergency communication center.

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DISTRIBUTION: A
GUIDELINES FOR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY RESTRICTIONS

1. Controlling Heat Casualties. Per MCO 6200.1E, the Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT) Index combines shade, air temperature, radiation, humidity, and wind into a single value used as a guide for monitoring training and other physical activities. Training during the period of 1 May to 30 September will be conducted per the following heat/flag index:

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<th>FLAG CONDITION</th>
<th>WBGT INDEX</th>
<th>PHYSICAL ACTIVITY RESTRICTIONS</th>
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<tr>
<td>Green</td>
<td>80. - 84.9</td>
<td>Heavy exercise for un-acclimatized personnel should be conducted with caution and under constant supervision.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Yellow</td>
<td>85. - 87.9</td>
<td>Strenuous exercises, such as hikes, close order drill, and obstacle courses suspended for un-acclimatized personnel. Outdoor classes in direct rays of the sun shall be avoided.</td>
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<td>Red</td>
<td>88. - 89.9</td>
<td>All physical training halted for those not thoroughly acclimatized. Those thoroughly acclimatized may perform limited activity not exceeding 6 hours</td>
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<tr>
<td>Black</td>
<td>90.0+</td>
<td>All strenuous nonessential outdoor physical activity will be halted as outlined per reference (a).</td>
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NOTE: Essential activities are defined as those activities associated with scheduled exercises or other major training evolution where the disruption would cause undue burden on personnel or resources, be excessively expensive, or significantly reduce a unit’s combat readiness. Essential outdoor physical activity will be conducted at a level that is commensurate with personnel acclimatization as determined by the unit’s Commanding Officer (CO) in coordination with the unit’s medical officer or medical personnel. All efforts should be made to reschedule these activities during cooler periods of the day.

2. Curtailment of Training. As flag conditions progress from green to black, cumulative restrictions are placed on training. Violation of restrictions reduces the margin of safety beyond a permissible limit and results in the creation of heat casualties. COs will ensure all personnel exercise sound judgment in adjusting activities during all flag conditions.
OPERATION AND CONTROL OF THE WET BULB GLOBE TEMPERATURE (WBGT) INDEX

1. Operation of WBGT Stations

   a. Period of Operation. Annually, 1 May to 30 September, and whenever outside temperature exceeds 75 degrees during training hours.

   b. Hours of Operation. Monday-Friday, 0700-1700 or when black flag conditions are in effect. WBGT stations will not secure until black flag condition is terminated. Range Control will continue WBGT readings until 2200 daily, or until yellow flag condition is terminated.

   c. Frequency of Index Readings. Hourly, however, when the index reaches 85 degrees, the reading will be taken per the directions in enclosure (8), every 30 minutes until the temperature drops below 85 degrees.

   d. WBGT Index Readings. May be obtained from the Training Branch, G-3 (703-784-2475) between the hours of 0700-1700, Monday - Friday. Between the hours of 1700-0700 daily and on weekends and holidays, WBGT Index readings may be obtained from the Range Control Officer (703-784-5321/5322) and the Command Duty Officer (CDO) (703-784-2707).

   e. WBGT Index Calculating Procedures

      (1) The index is obtained by combining the sub-indexes computed for each of the three instruments. The sub-indexes are derived from the instrument readings (in F degree), multiplied by the appropriate factors, i.e., .1 x dry bulb, .7 x wet bulb and .2 x black globe.

      (2) Example Calculation. The WBGT Index is calculated as follows:

      Temperature Thermometer Reading (F degrees) x Factor = Sub-index

      Dry Bulb temp 77 x .1 = 7.7
      Wet Bulb temp 75 x .7 = 52.5
      Black Globe temp 100 x .2 = 20.0
      WBGT Index = 80.2

   f. Recording of Index Readings. The WBGT Index readings will be recorded on a WBGT Index log sheet and kept on file for 2 years using the format depicted in enclosures (8) and (9), whichever is applicable.
g. WBGT Telephone Log Sheet. Those responsible for reporting indices and conditions (see enclosure (2)) will maintain a daily log of the activities/sections notified (see enclosure (10)).

h. WBGT Index Notification Procedures (Working Hours). During working hours the Commanding Officer, Officer Candidates School and the Range Control Officer, will report those index readings above 80, which necessitate a flag display or change in flag display to the AC/S G-3 at 703-784-2475/3421.

i. WBGT Index Notification Procedures (Non-Working Hours)

(1) The Range Control Officer will provide the WBGT index readings during non-working hours from 1700-2200 or termination of yellow flag conditions, whichever occurs last on weekdays; and from 0700-2200 or termination of yellow flag conditions, whichever occurs last on weekends and holidays. During non-working hours and weekends/holidays, the Range Control Officer will report those index readings, which necessitate a flag display or change in flag display to the following activities/sections:

   (a) CDO: 2707
   (b) TBS: 5207 (Officer of the Day (OD))
   (c) OCS: 2351/2352 (OD)
   (d) Weapons Training Battalion: (OD)

(2) The OCS OD will notify the Marine Corps Base, Quantico (MCBQ) CDO of any flag condition changes that occur during non-working hours.

(3) The CDO will notify mainside MCBQ ODs:

   (a) HqSvBn.
   (b) SctyBn.
   (c) Naval Medical Clinic.
1. Botsball Thermometer

a. The Botsball Thermometer (NSN 6665-01-103-8547) is a device which combines the air temperature, humidity, wind, and thermal radiation into a single index indicated on a dial thermometer (see figure 1 of this enclosure). This index, however, differs in value from the Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT) Index by approximately 1.74°F. The variation in value results from the difference in the method of obtaining the wet globe temperature in the Botsball. The relationship of the WBGT Index to the Botsball temperature is expressed below:

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\text{WBGT} = 1.044 \times \text{(Botsball)} - 1.740
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Figure 1.--Botsball Thermometer.
b. The color scale located on the surface of the Botsball thermometer dial, however, has been converted to correlate with the heat stress flag conditions adopted by the United States Armed Forces and this Order. To determine the heat stress condition simply observe the color corresponding to the position of the pointer on the thermometer dial. Disregard the numerical values.

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<th>Flag Condition</th>
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<td>78.2</td>
<td>Green</td>
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<td>85</td>
<td>83.1</td>
<td>Yellow</td>
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<td>88</td>
<td>86.0</td>
<td>Red</td>
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<tr>
<td>90+</td>
<td>87.9+</td>
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2. Distribution. Commanders will be responsible for maintaining and/or replacing Botsballs, as necessary, to ensure that the minimum number indicated below is on hand.

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<td>Officer Candidate School (east of I-95)</td>
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3. Principles of Operation. The Botsball consists of a 2 3/8-inch hollow copper sphere that is painted black and covered with a black cloth. The cloth covering is continuously moistened by water seeping from the aluminum reservoir tube attached to the globe. The stem of the dial passes through a plastic tube along the centerline of the water reservoir tube into the globe to sense its temperature. When placed in a hot area, the globe is warmed by the surrounding air and by heat radiated from the hot surfaces. It is cooled by evaporation according to the wind and humidity. The wet globe reaches an equilibrium temperature when these heating effects come into balance. Any change in air, humidity, wind, or thermal radiation that causes the Botsball temperature to rise will increase human discomfort or stress.

4. Operating Instructions

a. To use the Botsball Thermometer first fill the plastic squeeze bottle with water but not above the "fill line." Use the squeeze bottle to fill the water reservoir of the globe assembly through the fill hole in the side of the reservoir near the top.
b. Make sure the cloth covering of the globe is saturated thoroughly by rubbing drops of water from the squeeze bottle into the cloth with the fingers or by dipping the globe in water. Also, make sure that the part of the cloth cover gathered inside the reservoir tube is thoroughly saturated by gently pulling the reservoir tube upward away from the globe to allow water to flow out of the reservoir through this structure.

c. To measure the Botsball temperature, hang the globe assembly in the desired location with a string or wire attached to the hanging loop at the top of the water reservoir. The temperature of the wet globe will come to equilibrium with unchanging thermal surroundings in 5 minutes. Water seepage from the reservoir to the globe may be adjusted to keep the globe wet under all evaporative conditions without excessive dripping. To increase water flow, pull the water tube away from the globe gently with a slight twisting motion; to decrease water flow, push them together.

d. If the Botsball Thermometer will be in continuous use for long periods, a siphon should be used to keep the reservoir filled. Attach one end of the small plastic tube furnished with the thermometer to the spout of the squeeze bottle and push the other end of the tube through the fill hole to the bottom of the reservoir. Suspend the squeeze bottle and the thermometer at the same height. To start the siphon, squeeze the bottle until water runs out of the water reservoir fill hole and then vent the pressure in the bottle by loosening the bottle cap.

e. After using the Botsball Thermometer, store it in the plastic bag it arrived in gathering the top tightly around the reservoir tube with the wire closure provided. This procedure will keep the globe wet and ready for immediate use on the next occasion.
INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CONTROL AND OPERATION OF THE WET BULB GLOBE TEMPERATURE (WBGT) METER

1. WBGT Meter. The WBGT Meter (NSN 6685-01-055-5298) is used for measuring environmental conditions which may produce unacceptable levels of heat stress. The meters are in the supply system and have been issued to the WBGT stations as follows:

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2. Usage of WBGT Meter

   a. The WBGT Meter (figure 1 of this enclosure) will be the primary means of measuring the WBGT Index at each of the stations. Readings will be taken in the vicinity of the existing WBGT instrument setup. The meter measures the dry bulb (DB), wet bulb (WB), Globe Temperature (GT) and the WBGT in the range between 65°F and 165°F. The present WBGT instrument setup located at each of the stations will continue to be maintained as a secondary means of measuring the WBGT should the meters fail.
b. Commanding Officers/directors having responsibility to monitor and maintain WBGT stations will ensure that the WBGT Meters are properly maintained. The meter has few moving parts and requires only that the batteries are charged regularly and the wick of the wet bulb temperature sensor be changed occasionally. Only two repair operations on the WBGT Meter can be performed by the user. They are replacement of faulty batteries and replacement of the tunnel assembly. All other casualties require return of the meter to the supply system for repair.

3. Operating Instructions. The WBGT Meter requires a minimum initial exposure of 5 minutes when introduced into a new environment and 3 minutes exposure for changes of position within that environment to produce accurate readings.

a. Turned-On. The turned-on procedure readies the WBGT Meter for operation. It includes several steps that test the condition of the meter. If the meter fails to pass these tests, refer to the technical manual. Turned-on procedure:

(1) Install globe sensor by pushing plug on base of sensor into jack on top of meter. Handle globe sensor with care. The globe (black ball) can easily be damaged by squeezing, bumping, or dropping it.

(2) Fill the wet bulb reservoir from water bottle provided. The reservoir is accessible through the end of the tunnel marked “WATER FILL.” When filled, water should completely cover the sponge and be well below the level of the tunnel. Excess water can be poured out of the tunnel end. Be careful to keep the dry bulb sensor dry. If it becomes wet, dry it with a tissue or soft cloth before operating the meter.

(3) Turn power switch to “CHECK.” You will hear the sound of the fan and see digits on the display.

(4) Turn measurement function switch to “DB,” “WB,” “GT,” and “WBGT” in turn. Each position will give a display reading of 100-0.2, if the meter is calibrated.

(5) Hand hold or place on a flat surface about 4 feet from deck of the environment to be measured. To maintain consistency in the WBGT indices, readings for the WBGT Meter will be taken in the same proximity as the existing WBGT instrument setup.

(6) Wait 5 minutes for initial readings, 3 minutes for subsequent readings, with power switch at “CHECK.”
(7) Turn power switch to “ON.”

(8) Turn measurement function switch to measurement desired.

b. Operation. In operation, the meter should be held in the air stream with the end of the tunnel marked “WATER FILL” facing the air stream. The globe temperature sensor must be at least 18 inches from the operator to avoid interference from his/her body temperature. Once the meter has stabilized, each of the temperatures in a single environment may be measured without repeating complete turned-on procedures.

c. Turnoff. The procedure to turnoff the WBGT Meter is: (1) Turn power switch to “OFF.”

(2) Pour water from reservoir through the end of tunnel marked “WATER FILL.”

(3) Remove globe temperature sensor by holding the sensor at base and pulling plug from jack.

d. Water Bottle. The wet bulb reservoir must be filled with distilled or de-ionized water. Distilled water should be used, if available.

e. Battery. Decimal points between all digits on the display or no display may indicate a discharged battery. The meter can still be operated if a 115 AC power source is available.
INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE AND CARE OF THE WET BULB GLOBE TEMPERATURE INSTRUMENT SETUP

1. Figure 1 below depicts the proper instrument station. Although the thermo screen shelter is not shown in the drawing, it should be in the immediate vicinity. The shelter is used to house the dry bulb thermometer and spare instruments. Certain items, such as clamps, stoppers and flasks, have not been provided addressees. These items are standard and may be obtained locally.

Figure 1.—Wet Bulb Globe Temperature Instrument Setup.
2. **Instructions for Use of the Shade Dry Bulb Thermometer**

   a. The Shade Dry Bulb Thermometer is an ordinary mercury thermometer, 12 inches long and graduated from 30° to 150° F. The thermometer is housed in a thermo screen shelter adjacent to the Wet Bulb and Black Globe Thermometers. The thermo screen shelter has inside dimensions of 12-14 inches high, 8 inches wide, and 8 inches deep. It is made of light wood, louvered on the sides and front door, and open on the bottom. It is covered with a thermal screen cool shade or standard weather enclosure. The shelter is situated so that the thermometer is approximately 4 feet off the ground.

   b. The thermometer is supported inside by a hook and is suspended by a wire or string over a grass or gravel surface.

   c. See figure 2 of this enclosure.
3. **Instructions for Use and Care of the Natural Wet Bulb Thermometer**

   a. The Natural Wet Bulb Thermometer is an ordinary mercury thermometer, 30° to 150°F, with a wet wick around the bulb and exposed in an un-shaded position to natural air movement and to solar radiation. The Natural Wet Bulb is cooled by natural convection but at the same time is warmed by solar radiation. Therefore, for the same air movement, its reading will be higher than a Shaded Wet Bulb.

   b. The Natural Wet Bulb Thermometer is suspended from a horizontal arm supported by the same upright used to mount the Globe Thermometer.

      (1) The wick consists of a white shoelace with the tips cut off. The shoelace must be of cotton, as other fabric will give false readings. One end surrounds the bulb of the mercury thermometer. The other end is immersed in water contained in a small flask suspended from the same horizontal arm.

      (2) The wick should be rinsed with fresh water every 2 days, and the water in the flask replaced with fresh water every 2 days. Each week the wick should be washed with soap and water, then rinsed thoroughly.

      (3) The wick surrounding the bulb should be thoroughly wet, but the bulb must be 1-inch above the mouth of the flask and freely exposed to the air.

      (4) See figure 3 of this enclosure.

![Figure 3.--Wet Bulb Thermometer.](image)
4. **Instructions for Use of the Globe Thermometer**

a. The Globe Thermometer consists of a 6-inch sphere of copper painted matte black on the outside. Into the neck of the globe is inserted an ordinary mercury thermometer, 12 inches long and graduated from 30° to 150°F. The thermometer is held in place with a tight-fitting, one-hole rubber stopper. The bulb of the thermometer is centered at the midpoint of the globe.

b. The Globe Thermometer should be mounted from a 6-foot vertical support with a horizontal arm about 36 inches long. The globe is suspended by sturdy braided flexible wire from the outboard end of the horizontal arm. The center of the globe should be 48 inches from the ground. The arm must point south to avoid a shadow of the upright from falling on the globe.

c. The purpose of the Globe Thermometer is to combine the thermal effects of the air and the thermal effects of radiation from the sun and hot surfaces in the environment into a single reading. This reading, when related to humidity, will provide a means of estimating total heat stress of the environment.

d. To perform reliably, the globe must be situated in a widely open area where it will not be shielded in any way from the sun and wind. The ground below should be either grass or gravel. Asphalt surfaces are not desirable.

e. The globe requires no attention except that the surface should be kept free of dust and streaks and must be repainted each year. After rain, the thermometer should be removed and the globe turned upside down to empty any water that may have leaked in.

f. See figure 4 of this enclosure.

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Figure 4.—The Globe Thermometer.
INSTRUCTIONS FOR INSPECTION/MAINTENANCE OF THE WET BULB GLOBE TEMPERATURE (WBGT) STATIONS

1. WBGT Meters

   a. Inspection. The WBGT Meter will be the primary means of measuring the WBGT Index at each of the WBGT stations. The CO OCS and the Range Control Officer will ensure that the procedures contained in enclosure (4) are disseminated to personnel responsible for obtaining the WBGT Index.

   b. Maintenance. The WBGT Meter requires only that the batteries are charged regularly and the wick of the wet bulb globe temperature sensor be changed periodically. Only two repair operations can be performed by the user. They are replacement of faulty batteries and replacement of the tunnel assembly. All other repairs require return of the meter to the supply system for repair.

2. WBGT Instrument Setup

   a. Inspection. The WBGT instrument setup located at each of the WBGT stations will continue to be maintained as a secondary means of measuring the WBGT should the WBGT Meters provide inaccurate readings. The Commanding Officer, Officers Candidates School and the Range Control Officer will ensure that inspections of the WBGT instrument setup are conducted prior to obtaining WBGT readings. The checklist contained in enclosure (7) will be utilized.

   b. Maintenance. The WBGT instrument setup will be maintained as indicated in enclosure (5).

3. Comparison Checks. To ensure the accuracy of the readings obtained from the WBGT Meter, a weekly comparison check with a reading from the WBGT instrument setup will be conducted. The comparison checks will be conducted every Monday during the heat stress season and will be recorded in enclosure (8).
CHECKLIST FOR INSPECTION OF THE WET BULB GLOBE TEMPERATURE (WBGT) STATIONS

1. Shade Dry Bulb Thermometer
   a. Is the thermometer a mercury thermometer? YES/NO
   b. Is the thermometer graduated 30° to 150°F? YES/NO
   c. Is the thermometer in a thermo screen shelter? YES/NO
   d. Does the shelter have louvered sides and fronts? YES/NO
   e. Does the shelter have an open or screened bottom? YES/NO
   f. Is the thermometer suspended 4 feet from the ground?
   g. Is the thermometer free of cracks/chips? YES/NO
   h. Has the mercury in the thermometer separated? YES/NO

2. Natural Wet Bulb Thermometer
   a. Is the thermometer a mercury thermometer? YES/NO
   b. Is the thermometer graduated 30° to 150°F? YES/NO
   c. Is the thermometer bulb completely covered by the wick? YES/NO
   d. Is the lower end of the thermometer bulb 1-inch above the neck of the flask? YES/NO
   e. Is the flask at least 2/3 full of water? YES/NO
   f. Is the wick clean and wet? YES/NO
   g. Is the wick made of cotton? YES/NO
   h. Is the thermometer suspended 4 feet from the ground? YES/NO
   i. Is the thermometer free of cracks/chips? YES/NO
   j. Has the mercury in the thermometer separated? YES/NO
3. **Globe Thermometer**

   a. Is the thermometer a mercury thermometer?  YES/NO

   b. Is the thermometer graduated 30° to 150°F?  YES/NO

   c. Is the thermometer inserted through an airtight stopper through a rubber ball?  YES/NO

   d. Is the bulb of the thermometer centered at the midpoint of the globe?  YES/NO

   e. Is the globe painted matte black on the outside?  YES/NO

   f. Is the globe surface free of dust, dirt, streaks and bird residue?  YES/NO

   g. Is the globe free of rain water?  YES/NO

   h. Is the thermometer suspended 4 feet from the ground?  YES/NO

   i. Is the thermometer free of cracks/chips?  YES/NO

   j. Is the horizontal arm pointing south to avoid a shadow of the upright from falling on the globe?  YES/NO

   k. Has the mercury in the thermometer separated?  YES/NO

4. **WBGT Station**

   a. Is the station located over a grass or gravel surface?  YES/NO

   b. Is the station located in a wide open area?  YES/NO

   c. Is a copy of the WBGT log sheet being maintained?  YES/NO

**NOTE:** A negative answer on any question, except 1h, 2j, and 3k, indicates a need for immediate corrective action.
### REPORT I, WET BULB GLOVE TEMPERATURE (WBGT)

**INDEX LOG SHEET FOR WBGT METER**

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**WBGT Index**

- **79.9 & Below**
- **60.0-84.9**
- **95.0-87.9**
- **88.0-89.9**
- **90.0 & Above**

**WBGT Flag Condition**

- Normal
- Green
- Yellow
- Red
- Black

This log will be kept daily from 1 May through 30 September or whenever the temperature exceeds 75 degrees during training hours.
REPORT II, WET BULB GLOVE TEMPERATURE (WBGT)
INDEX LOG SHEET FOR WBGT INSTRUMENT SETUP

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ENCLOSURE (9)
## Heat Condition Notification Log

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### Residence Info
- Street address and city
- ZIP code
- State

### Occupation
- Present occupation
- Previous occupation

### Date Reported to Presentation
- Date
- Unit
- Location

### Present Illness
- Symptoms (check all that apply)
  - Fever
  - Chills
  - Rash
  - Headache
  - Nausea
  - Cough
  - Diarrhea
  - Abdominal pain

### Diagnosis
- Possible diagnosis
- Confirmatory test

### Last 24 Hours
- Last meal
- Last bowel movement

### Past History of Heat/Cold Illness
- Date
- Diagnosis

### Recent History of Sickness
- Date
- Diagnosis

### Other Recent Illness
- Date
- Diagnosis

### Incubation within Past Week
- Chills
- Fever
- Pain
- Rash

### Exposure - Present Illness
- Hospital
- Clinic

### Remarks
- Family interaction
- Other relevant information

### Work Unit
- Department

### ENCLOSED (11)