SOP

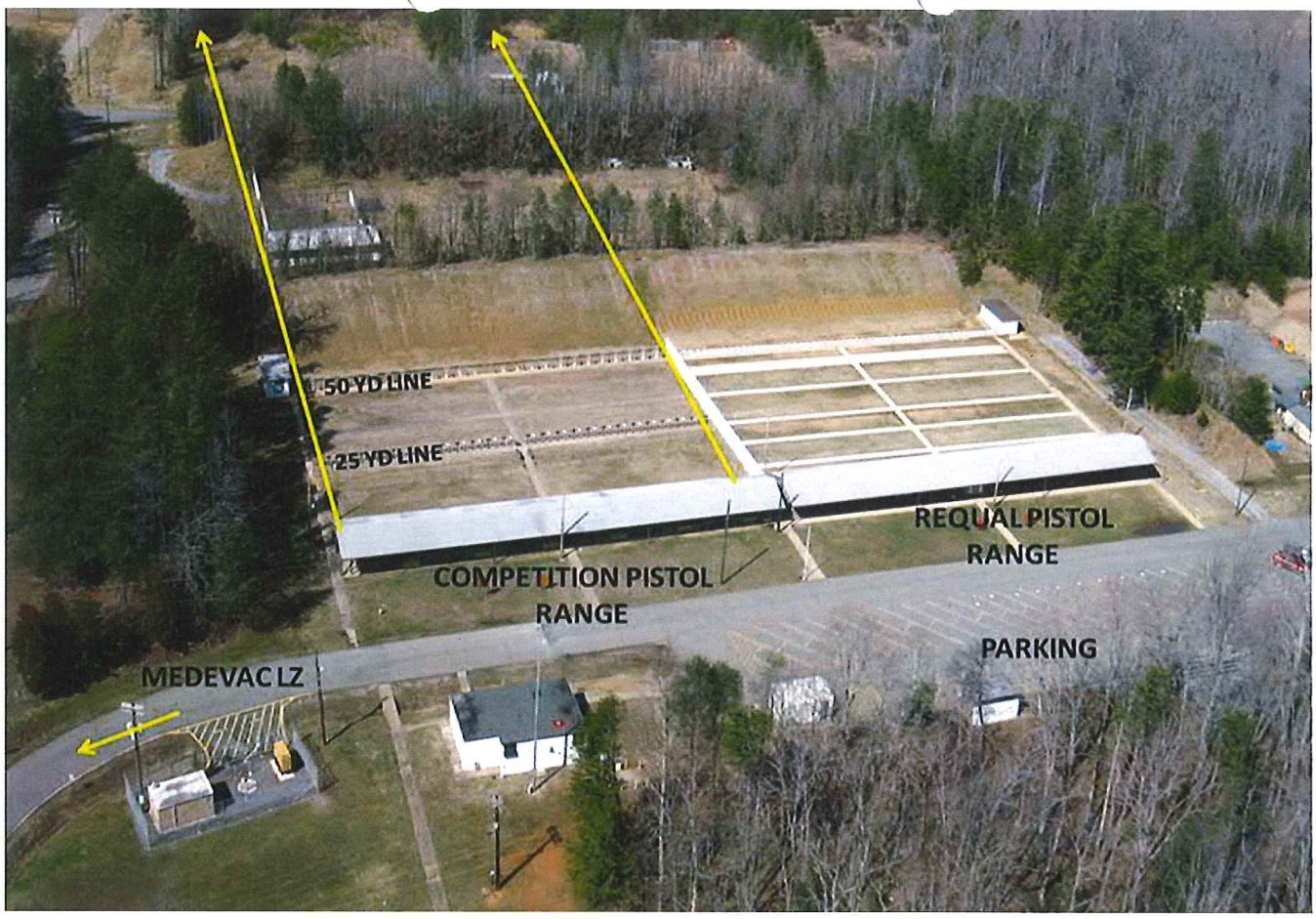
COMPETITION PISTOL RANGE

RANGE DESCRIPTION

Competition Pistol is an active, small arms, live-fire known distance range located at Grid 88136795. It is accessible from Willis Road. Competition Pistol has 50 firing points and firing distances from 7 to 50 yards.

Primary Use: The primary purpose is the training and competition for the Marine Corps Pistol Team.

DOWN RANGE MOVEMENT INTO THE IMPACT AREA (BEYOND THE IMPACT BERM) IS PROHIBITED



GENERAL RANGE INFORMATION:

Number of Firing Points: 50 Max range: 50 yards

WEAPONS ACCOMMODATED

-Service Pistol (All)
-Competition Pistol (All)

AMMUNITION AUTHORIZED

-Pistol: .22, .38, 9mm, .45

TARGETS/SIMULATORS/DEVICES:

Targets: Automatic Target System, Paper/plastic targets (provided by unit)

Competition Pistol.

ADDITIONAL RANGE INFORMATION:

PRIMARY DIRECTION OF FIRE. North West

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS/COMMENTS

1. Using unit will check-in with WTBn S-3 and receive range brief prior to occupying the range.

2. Red range flags will be placed on the poles on either side of the firing lines being used.

3. The only weapons and ammunition approved for use on this range are listed in this SOP. There shall be no deviations from or modification to the approved weapons and ammunition.

4. Competition Pistol will only support static engagements. Fire and Movement or Fire and Maneuver are not authorized. The only exception is firing on the move to support the execution of the Marine Corps Combat Marksmanship Program.

5. Personnel will only enter the downrange area when authorized by the RSO.

6. Steel Targets not authorized due to splash, angle of obliquity and dispersion and range of shooters.

7. The Officer-in-Charge (OIC) shall be the rank of Staff Sergeant or above and will be certified in accordance with MCB Range Regulations. The Range Safety Officer (RSO) shall be the rank of Sergeant or above and will be qualified in accordance with MCB Range Regulations.

8. The RSO will be physically present on the range at all times during live fire training and events. The OIC must be physically on the WTBn range complex and must maintain radio contact with the RSO at all times.

9. There will be no personnel on adjacent ranges forward of the targets on Competition Pistol. When WTBN Requal Pistol is occupied/hot, the only firing points on Comp Pistol that can be used are firing points 1-15.

10. Strict inter-range and intra-range coordination and communication will be exercised to ensure personnel are not exposed to direct weapons fire or ricochet hazards.

11. Double hearing protection is required when firing from the overhead protection.

12. Personnel on WTBN Range 4 cannot be forward of the pistol range targets when competition pistol range is hot (R-4 300 yd line).

13. Personnel on Comp Pistol may not be forward of the targets on Range 4. When targets are placed on the 300 yard line or uprange of the 300 yard line, Comp Pistol cannot be occupied.

14. Units that do not occupy their range within two hours of their scheduled occupy time will lose the use of that range for that day.

15. Units that have requested contractor support (i.e., automated targets, PITS targets, battlefield effects simulators, etc.) that are not present on the specified range within 1 hour of the requested time and have not contacted RMB/TSCQ will forfeit all contracted support for the day.

16. Units that have occupied a range with approved contractor support (i.e., automated targets, PITS targets, battlefield effects simulators, etc.) and that have not begun to use that support within 2 hours of the requested hour of operation will forfeit all contracted support for the day.

17. Units that are training with contractor support (i.e., automated targets, PITS targets, battlefield effects simulators, etc.) that place themselves voluntary into check fire for 2 hours during the approved support operational hours will forfeit all support for the day.

NOTE: Units that encounter situations where contractor support (i.e., automated targets, PITS targets, battlefield effects simulators, etc.) is

delayed or interrupted by circumstances beyond the control of the requesting unit (i.e., RMB directed check fire, ASP support, MEDEVAC, etc.) must contact RMB/TSCQ in order to arrange continued support within the scope of the contract and available assets.

APPLICABLE MAP SHEET. All grid coordinates listed in this order apply to the Quantico Military Installation Map V834S Edition 4-NGA 1:25000.

FACILITIES
Towers: 1 (Sound shed)
Bleachers: 0
Sheds: 1
Ammo Breakdown table: 1 (Ready Bench)
Parking: Yes

UTILITIES AVAILABLE
Electricity: Yes
Lights: Yes
Water System: None

INSTALLED COMMUNICATIONS. Yes

Nearest MEDEVAC Landing Zones (LZ)	**MILES**	
	1/2	8810067600 (Range 4)

Directions: Exit Competition Pistol Range, turn right on Willis Rd and go approx 1/4 mile, turn right on to Garand Rd. Range 4 will be on the left.

LASERS AUTHORIZED. Class 1 - 3R. Standard aiming devices mounted on approved service rifles. Class 3B can be fired if safety filter is on, reducing power output.

COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENTS:

1. A radio check is required immediately upon occupying any portion of the RTA, every 30 minutes in a live fire status and every 3 hours in a non-live fire status.

2. The Range Control Facility (RCF) Fire Desk Net Control call sign is "Range Control". Your call sign is "Range XX" (name of range, training area or facility unit is occupying).

3. The primary RCF Fire Desk Net Control frequencies are: ELMR talk group "RC Safety" (ground) and 323.7 AM UHF (air).

4. The secondary RCF Fire Desk Net Control is telephone, numbers: 703-784-5321 or 5322.

5. OIC/RSO will monitor the RCF primary and secondary Safety Nets at all times. Instant communication is required.

6. Any unit with organic ELMR radios will have their ELMR radios programed with the "RC Safety" talk group and use those radios as their primary means of communication within the RTA.

7. Units without organic ELMR assets will be issued ELMR radios from RMB upon check-in.

8. Approved Non-ELMR radios are only authorized for internal communication (ground).

9. If the RCF cannot reach a unit within the RTA via primary communication, the unit will be contacted via the secondary means of communication.

10. Upon loss of primary communication the OIC/RSO will initiate a "check fire"/cease training status and will contact the RCF via secondary communication. This communication will be maintained while primary communication is being restored. Units may only resume firing/training once primary communication has been re-established and clearance is granted by the RCF.

INJURY CLASSIFICATIONS:

Injuries are classified into the following categories in order to aid in casualty evacuation from the RTA.

1. ROUTINE. Routine injuries are those injuries that are not threatening to life, limb or eyesight; and conditions or illnesses treatable by medication or procedures available at the base medical facilities.

2. PRIORITY. Priority injuries are those injuries that require immediate medical attention but are not threatening to life, limb, or eyesight if treated promptly.

3. URGENT. Urgent injuries are severe injuries that are threatening to life, limb, or eyesight and require immediate medical attention.

4. MASS CASUALTY. A mass casualty is a series of injuries with multiple priority and urgent medical patients.

MEDICAL EVACUATION (MEDEVAC) PROCEDURES:

1. Injury occurs.
2. Range immediately cease-fires.
3. Range notifies S-3/OOD of injury
4. S-3/OOD dispatches corpsman
5. Medical support evaluates/treats injured personnel.
6. Range radio operator/OIC notifies the RCF of the injury, stating briefly what happened, the extent of the injury and what type of MEDEVAC transportation needed (ground/air).

7. Maintain constant radio contact with Range Control and await further instructions.

*Minor injuries and illnesses requiring routine field medical services need not be reported to RMB but should be reported in unit training logs.

Range Control Officer

Date: 3-11-16