

**2023 West Virginia State Drill Competition
WV Air National Guard Base
1679 Coonskin Drive
Building 407
Charleston, WV 25311**

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MEMORANDUM FOR: West Virginia State Drill / 4th BDE BOB Qualifier Competition.

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Instruction (MOI) for the 2023 WV State Drill Competition / 4th BDE Army BOB Drill Qualifier to be held on 21 January 2023.

1. Your unit is invited to participate in the 2023 WV State Drill / 4th BDE BOB Drill Qualifier. The competition is scheduled for 21 January 2023, at 0900 hours at the WV Air Guard Base, 1679 Coonskin Drive, Building 407, Charleston, WV 25311. This competition will support 2 missions: To invite all service JROTC units to compete amongst each other and to support all Army JROTC units to qualify for the 4th Brigade Best of the Best Drill Competition. There will be 2 divisions: Armed and Unarmed. The categories are Drill Platoon (Armed/Unarmed), Exhibition Platoon (Armed/Unarmed), Platoon Inspection (Armed and Unarmed) and Color Guard (Armed and Unarmed*.) Solo Exhibition will be available but not applied for team competitiveness.

2. Reference:

- a. Department of the Army Headquarters, Fourth Brigade JROTC Drill Team Competition Memorandum of Instruction (MOI), dated 22 July 2021.
- b. US Army Training Circular TC 3-21.5, Drill and Ceremonies, 3 May 2021.
- c. AR 670-1, dtd Sep 03
- d. AR 840-10, dtd Jun 98
- e. CC Reg. 145-2.
- f. CC Reg. 385-10, dtd 1 Apr 02
- g. AFMAM 36-22-3 and AFI 36-2903 (Air Force references)
- h. Marine Corps Guidance will be added if needed.

3. The purpose of this memorandum is to outline all details concerning the event and conditions under which the competition will be conducted. In addition to serving as a State Drill competition for all JROTC's in the State of West Virginia this competition will serve as a Qualifier for the Army 4th BDE Drill Competition. There are specific requirements that will be outlined for both the State Drill and 4th BDE placements.

a. **General:** Entry into competition by JROTC units indicates acceptance of the MOI. Such agreement denotes the MOI is binding and constitutes expression of their willingness for entries to be governed, scored, and awarded recognition under the provisions of this MOI. It is the responsibility of each team commander to ensure that each member is familiar with all information contained herein. A judges meeting will be held in a briefing room at the facility. Instructors and team captains will meet at 0830 hours in the same room to answer any questions and publish any changes to the MOI. The briefing room will be marked upon arrival at the facility.

b. Administration:

- 1) **Meals:** At this time there will not be a concessions stand. If this changes we will notify you of what will be available. Please plan to feed your units at your discursion.
- 2) **Fees:** There is no fee for this competition.

<u>Offered Events</u>	
Armed Division	Unarmed Division
(A1) Armed Color Guard	(U1) Unarmed Color Guard
(A2) Armed Regulation Drill Platoon	(U2) Unarmed Regulation Drill Platoon
(A3) Armed Exhibition Drill Platoon	(U3) Unarmed Exhibition Platoon
(A4) Armed Platoon Inspection	(U4) Unarmed Platoon Inspection

IAW the 4th BDE MOI Annex A, 2.h, the Army Nationals SOP Section 8, B 1 & 4 as well as the Air Force Nationals SOP Section 7, B 5 - All Color Guard events will have Armed Guards. The score sheets are the same for both Armed and Unarmed Color Guards because a Color Guard must be included in each Division. These division names (Armed vs. Unarmed) are not reflective of the drill team composition. They are named ONLY to distinguish the competition division the entire team has entered. Unarmed Inspection will be without rifles IAW the previous referenced guidance.

Note: You may enter only one team per division. Cadets on the division team can compete in every event in that division. Cadets cannot be in both divisions IAW with Army 4th BDE Drill MOI and both Army and Air Force Nationals SOP. As an example a cadet cannot be a member of Unarmed Color Guard and also compete in Armed Inspection. They must stay within their Division. Emergency situations can be granted for the sake of a team having to be disqualified due to a situation out of your control, but must be brought to the attention of the competition OIC.

- 3) **Reply Forms:** Email SFC Normand the attached form with the events you will compete in. **For sequence and score sheets see 4th Brigade's Drill Competition MOI, dated 22 July 2021, Annex B thru E:**
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1qLfjinCXgFCr3hFnkgj1WFm10RrmF8Ju/view>
- 4) Time schedules will be furnished during the Instructors meeting on the morning of the commanders meeting.
- 5) **Event Requirements for State Drill / 4th BDE BOB Drill Competition:**

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- (a) Drill Platoon will consist of 12 members plus a commander.
- (b) Inspection Platoon consists of 12 cadets and a commander.
- (c) Color Guards will consist of 4 members (2 Armed Guards and 2 flags)
- (d) Exhibition Platoon will consist of 8-12 members plus a commander.
- (e) A team must enter each event to be considered for the overall Division

award Except Solo Exhibition. You can enter both Divisions, but cannot have cadets from one division fill in teams in the other division. This is considered crossing over and not authorized by the 4th BDE Drill MOI and both the Air Force and Army National Drill SOP's. You will need a separate group of cadets for the other division. Emergency exceptions can be granted by the competition OIC. Marine Corps guidance will be the same if a Marine Corps JROTC school enters.

c. **Uniform Regulations:** IAW 4th Brigade's guidance (Drill Team Competition MOI dated 3 May 2021, Cadet Command Regulation 145-2, and AR 670-1.

- 1) **All instructors and advisors are required to wear a military uniform (Dress or OCP). There is no exception.** All cadets will wear the Specific Service Uniform prescribed for their military branch with authorized accessories (to include rank, nameplate, and ribbons) – nameplates must be worn during all competition events. **Exhibition Teams may wear Dress uniforms, OCPs or similar uniforms.** Authorized accessories are distinctive berets, scarves, solid white or solid black gloves (with full fingers). Additionally Color Guard may wear white, green or black belts and Harness. Wrist/sweat bands of any type or color, spats, colored shoe laces (other than black), multi-colored gloves, berets (black or dark blue which appears black, green, maroon, or tan colored) are **unauthorized**. Teams will be given five (5) minutes to take corrective action prior to entering the competition area. Upon entering the area all unauthorized clothing items will be penalized up to and including disqualification. Personal items such as watches, bracelets, ear rings as allowed by regulation may be worn by individuals.
- 2) For Army units only! Hair standards for Male Cadets are the same as Female Cadets. The current CCR 145-2, Chapter 8-6, b. dated 12 Aug 2022 reads: (Hair Styles: Many hair styles are acceptable, as long as they are neat and conservative. Hair will be neatly groomed. Hair that is clipped closely or shaved to the scalp is authorized. The length and bulk of hair will not be excessive or present a ragged or extreme appearance. If dyes, tints, or bleaches are used, colors used must be natural to human hair and not present an extreme appearance. Hairstyles will not interfere with proper wearing of military headgear.)
- 3) .. Hair bows of black or neutral color may be used to secure the hair. Competing cadets should remain in an appropriate uniform throughout the day, including during awards/closing ceremony. Utility jackets can be worn throughout the day but cannot be worn during any competitive

event. Teams will be disqualified if they report in wearing the utility jacket.

- 4) All members of an Armed drill team **and both Color Guards** must be armed with a weapon. Weapons will be of standard issue/weight. Weapons may not be modified except for chrome or nickel plating and the sights may be removed. Sabers can be used for Armed inspection and Armed Exhibition. Wrist bands of any type or color, spats, colored shoe laces (other than black), mask/blinds, multi-colored gloves, berets (black or dark blue which appear black, green, maroon, or tan colored) are unauthorized. Exceptions for Army Exhibition Teams may be granted but must be approved 1 week prior to the competition for 4th BDE qualifying. **There will be no blind folds or masks allowed for exhibition drill.**

d. GUIDELINES TO DETERMINE OVERALL CHAMPION AND RUNNER-UP:

There will be 2 Division winners. The overall Division team placement will be determined by the teams standing at the end of the events, not simply by the event's raw score. Teams would earn a point value representing the overall finish with an event, (i.e. 1 point for first, 2 points for second, etc.). The team maintaining the **LOWEST** points will be declared the winner. **IN THE EVENT THERE IS A TIE, THE EXHIBITION PLATOON DRILL SCORE WILL BE THE TIE BREAKER IN EACH DIVISION.**

For overall qualifying you must enter each event for the Division you are competing in. All units can enter both divisions but cadets cannot cross over between Division events. Special request can be granted and brought to the attention of the OIC of the competition. This rule is IAW the 4th BDE Drill MOI, section 6. A. 1) and all National SOP's.

e. Event Guidance:

1. Regulation Drill: Armed and Unarmed Drill teams will stage in the staging area and have the Platoon leader report to the head judge. Teams will march in from the staging area and execute a Column Left and center in front of the head judge. Teams will have time to make adjustments if they are use to entering a different way. This part is not graded until the Platoon leader reports into the judge, so if mistakes will not have bearing on their performance. Only the Platoon leader will salute when reporting in and out. Dress uniform jackets are required with all awards and authorized accessories. Headgear must be worn. Spectators will to the right and in the back in front of the head judge. Photographers may be allowed on the drill floor as long as they do not interfere with the judges or the teams. There is no time limit to complete this event.

2. Inspection Platoon: Teams will stage outside of Inspection room. Platoon leaders will report to the head judge only when the door is open. If the door is closed it means that a team is going through the inspection process. Only guest of the school competing are allowed inside with their team and must be inside prior to the team reporting in for the event. Teams will be allowed to enter the room prior to plan the best

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way to enter upon competing. Platoon leader will be instructed to bring in their team after inspecting the room and command (left face, dress right dress, ready front, open ranks march). Order arms for Armed Inspection prior to the previous commands.

Platoon leaders will not go down the squads and line them up as this is unnecessary and IAW the guidance rules for the National Drill requirements. Only questions on the inspection study guide will be asked and for your component only. Air Force and Marine Corps Study guides will be provided separately if required. Cadets may be asked specific questions on their uniform. Armed inspection cadets will execute inspection arms for the official asking questions. Unarmed Inspection cadets will render a salute prior to being inspected when the official is in front of them.

Full dress uniform with headgear is required. Judges will be aware that shoes may have scuffs because of supply shortages, but shoes and uniforms must be free of dirt and debris. There is no time limit for this event.

3. Color Guard: Both Color guards will be comprised of 2 flag bearers and 2 armed guards. When executing Sling and Unsling arms All JROTC units must cradle the rifle rather than hold the stock or barrel with the right hand which is IAW TC 3-21.5 dated 3 May 2021. This is in compliance with both 4th BDE and National Drill MOI's. Spectators and photographers cannot be within the sectioned area for the Color Guard which will be 55 x 55 feet. There is no time limit for this event.

4. Exhibition: Teams can start at any side of the floor but must end in the same area they started. There will be no stacking of cadets or lifting cadets off the floor for safety reasons. Armed teams will not throw rifles over more than 1 cadet. No dangerous throws will be allowed directly over the head of any cadet. Tips of the rifle may touch the floor but cannot strike in any manner with force.

Routine must be at least 6 minutes long and no longer than 9 minutes. Time starts once the platoons start moving and will stop when the halt command is given. Points will be taken or every second over or under this requirement.

5. Solo Exhibition: This event is not counted for the overall placement of the competition. This event will be separate as a Stand Alone event. One cadet per school is authorized. Cadets will report in to the head judge and given up to 3 minutes to perform.

f. **Scoring/Judges:** Army Training Circular 3-21.5 dated 3 May 2021 will be the basic reference governing individual and team movements during this drill competition. Judges will have guidance regarding movements and commands for Air Force JROTC units.

g. **SAIs/AIs will not be permitted to talk to the judges at any time during the competition. The Drill Competition scoring room is off limits to all cadets.**

h. **Awards:**

- 1) Awards: A first and second place award will be presented for each of the events and first, second and third place Awards for the overall Divisions.

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2) Award Ceremonies: Will be conducted in the area where the Color Guard events were conducted after the completion of all events.

i. **Locations**: The entire drill competition will be conducted in building 407 of the WVAir National Guard facility. **ALL OTHER AREAS ARE OFF LIMITS**.

- 1) Floor 1: Platoon drill and Unarmed Exhibition routines will be conducted
- 2) Floor 2: Color Guards and Armed Exhibition routines will be conducted in here but may change due to number of teams competing.
- 3) Specified room: Inspection Platoons will be conducted in a room to be designated. Teams will be outside.
- 3) Staging areas: There will be staging area for teams. These areas will be designated upon arrival to the competition.

SMOKING AND ANY OTHER TOBACCO / NICOTINE PRODUCTS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE FACILITY. DESIGNATED SMOKING AREAS WILL BE OUTSIDE FOR THOSE WHO ARE PERMITTED. ANY CADET CAUGHT SMOKING OR VAPING IN THE REST ROOMS OR ANY PART OF THE DRILL AREA WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.

3. POC is undersigned at 681-945- 8849, jnormand@mail.kana.k12.wv.us

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Entry Form 2023 WV State Drill and 4th BDE BOB Drill Qualifier Competition on 21 January 2023

Name of School: _____

City: _____

Name of Instructor: _____

If Army School do you want the results to count towards the 4th BDE BOB Qualifying Yes___ No___

ARMED DIVISION

Armed Regulation Drill _____
Armed Inspection _____
Armed Color Guard _____
Armed Exhibition _____

UNARMED DIVISION

Unarmed Regulation Drill _____
Unarmed Inspection _____
Unarmed Color Guard _____
Unarmed Exhibition _____

All of the above events are required for overall placement

Armed Exhibition Solo _____

Unarmed Exhibition Solo _____

Only one cadet per school per Solo routine. Solo Exhibitions are not part of overall placement for the team.

Note: Please email the entry form to jnormand@mail.kana.k12.wv.us

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ARMY JROTC INSPECTION PLATOON STUDY GUIDE

CHAIN OF COMMAND

Commander in Chief - President Joe Biden

Vice President - Honorable Kamala Harris

Secretary of Defense – Honorable Lloyd J. Austin III

Secretary of the Army - Admirable Christine Wormuth

4th Brigade Commander - COL Mike Mourouzis

4th Brigade CSM - CSM Matthew R. Hire

Who is the Governor of West Virginia: - Governor Jim Justice

Army Values

What does the acronym LDRSHIP stand for?: Loyalty, Duty, Respect, Selfless Service, Honor, Integrity and Personal Courage

What do the Army Values stand for?:

Loyalty - Bear true faith and allegiance to the U.S. constitution, the Army, and other Soldiers

Duty- Fulfill your obligations

Respect- To treat others as they should be treated

Selfless Service-To put the welfare of the Nation, the Army, and your subordinates before your own

Honor- to fulfill all Army Values

Integrity- to do what is right legally and morally

Personal Courage- To face fear, danger, or adversity, both physical and Moral Courage

Flags

What are the flag colors and their meanings?:

Red-hardiness and valor

White-purity and innocence

Blue- vigilance, perseverance & justice

What do the thirteen stripes represent?: The Original 13 colonies

What do the 50 stars represent?: The 50 states

When was the current flag designed and who did it?: Robert G. Heft for a high school project in 1958

What are the types of flags?:

Garrison- 20 feet by 38 feet, purpose- flown on special holidays

Post-8 feet by 11 3/8 feet, purpose- ordinarily flown daily on posts

Storm-5 feet by 9.5 feet, purpose- flown during inclement weather

What's the ball at the top of a flag called?: It is called a truck

National Anthem

What is our national anthem?:

The Star Spangled Banner

Who wrote our National Anthem?:

Francis Scott Key

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When was it written?: 1814

How many verses are there in the Star Spangled Banner? There are four verses

What was the inspiration for the Star Spangled Banner?: The Battle of for McHenry in Baltimore during the War of 1812

Maps

What are the basic colors of a map?: Black, Brown, Blue, Green and Red

Where is the legend found?: Lower left margin

How many north's are on a map and what are they?: There are 3 - True North, Magnetic North, and Grid North

What are the 5 major terrain features?: Hill, Valley, Depression, Saddle, and Ridge

What are the three minor features on a map?: Draw, Spur, Cliff

What measurement does the Army use for distance?: Meters

Other Questions?

What is the Standard Drill Rifle?: A Springfield M1903 Daisy Drill Rifle

How much does your Daisy Drill Rifle weigh?: 8.7 pounds

What is the serial number of your rifle?: cadet should know their serial #

When was the U.S. Army established?: June 14th, 1775

What year was Army JROTC founded - 1916

What foot are most commands called on?: The left foot

What Army regulations covers Drill and Ceremony? Training Circular 3-21.5

What Army Regulation covers the Army uniform? Army Regulation 670-1

Who is your SAI (Senior Army Instructor)? - cadet should know

Who is your AI (Army Instructor)? – cadet should know

Know your arcs and ribbons and how you got them