



Methods of Entry Course Welcome

1. **Orientation.** The Methods of Entry School OIC and Instructor staff would like to welcome you to the Methods of Entry Course. This is not and shouldn't be considered a "give me" course. Over the next three weeks you will be evaluated on your knowledge and performance as a breacher. The training will be challenging and require long hours of studying and range time to complete. However, the instructor staff is available to help you in any way to ensure your success.

Your training begins with an orientation in the history of the Marine Corps Breaching program and culminates in a simultaneous, two-team, multi-building breaching exercise that evaluates your ability to plan for and execute a breaching mission while incorporating manual, mechanical, thermal, ballistic, and explosive methods.

2. **Reporting.** Students arriving the day prior to the course convening date, from outside the MCB Quantico area, will report to the WTBn OOD, building 27211, to be assigned their barracks room key. Students from the local area will report to the Methods of Entry classroom no later than 0745 on the first training day. The classroom is located in building 27241 in the Weapons Training Battalion area. All students reporting to the course must bring the following documents:

- (a) Original TAD orders, or DTS authorization to travel
- (b) Completed Command Screening Checklist (signed by CO)
- (c) Current Periodic Health Assessment (PHA) documentation for military or a Civilian Medical Clearance Questionnaire (29 CFR 1910.134 Appx. C) for non-military
- (d) Complete Student Data Sheet (unit address, contact names and number minimum)

3. **Lodging/Meals.** All students will stay at the WTBn barracks, Benjamin Hall or BOQ, which is located in the Weapons Training Battalion area, unless the student is local to the area or has command authorization for alternate lodging, such as federal law enforcement officers. If requested, off-base lodging is solely funded by the student's parent command. Non-availability waivers will NOT be provided by the school house under any circumstance. There is a dining facility in the Weapons Training Battalion area, and students will receive the "government meal rate" per diem due to provided government messing, while attending the course. While on the range MOES will provide a boxed meal. Due to the remote location of training and time constraints students may also elect to purchase food and drinks at the WTBn PX, located in the Weapons Training Battalion area.

4. **Closing.** Examples of the above documents and all other pertinent information relating to the course are included in this packet. The information is also available online at <https://www.trngcmd.usmc.mil/WTBN> under "MOES", "Welcome Aboard." Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the course please contact the course chief or the assistant course chief at 703-432-7396/7397.

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OIC, MOES

METHODS OF ENTRY COURSE PREREQUISITES

1. Students selected to attend the Methods of Entry Course must meet the following criteria:
 - a. Marine Corps or other DoD Non-Commissioned or Commissioned Officer and above or Federal Law Enforcement Officer.
 - b. GT score of 110 or higher.
 - c. Minimum 12 months of obligated service left on contract.
 - d. Commanding Officer must assign the individual to a Breacher billet.
 - e. MOS Requirements: 0307, 0321, 2305, 2336, 5815, 5816, 8152, 8154.
 - f. Completed and signed Methods of Entry School Command Screening Certification Checklist.
 - e. Printed documentation of a current Periodic Health Assessment (PHA) for military members or Civilian Medical Clearance Questionnaire (29 CFR 1910.134 Appx. C) for non-military attendees. The health Assessment must be current for the duration of the class attending.
2. Training Chiefs shall screen all applicants prior to registering a seat into MCTIMS.
3. Marines failing to meet the prerequisites or submit the required waivers will not be allowed to attend the course and will be returned to their parent command.

WAIVER SUBMITTAL

Requests for waivers will be addressed to the OIC, Methods of Entry and sent to Mr. Bob Bayer, Deputy Director/C476 Quota Sponsor Academics Management Section, WTBn. Office: (703) 784-6682 DSN 278, fax: (703) 784-5521, robert.w.bayer@usmc.mil

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COMMAND SCREENING CERTIFICATION CHECKLIST

1. Purpose: To ensure Marines selected to attend the Methods of Entry Course are fully qualified and will be certified to fill a breacher billet.

2. Information: In order to ensure the most qualified Marines attend the Methods of Entry Course, parent commands must ensure that their Marines meet all of the below listed prerequisites. Failure to meet **ALL** of the course prerequisites disqualifies a Marine from attending the course. Waivers will be granted on a case-by-case basis.

NAME:		DOD ID # /MOS:	
RANK:		UNIT:	
EMAIL:		S1 CHIEF NAME CONTACT:	
PREREQUISITES		Y/N	TRAINING CHIEF SIGN/PRINT/DATE
1.	Non-Commissioned Officer or above (or other service equivalent) or Federal Law Enforcement Officer		
2.	*Holds the MOS of 0307, 0321, 2305, 2336, 5815, 5816, 8152, 8154? *Note: No other MOS will be accepted into the course. Requests for waivers may be honored based on unit RUC.		
3.	Has a GT Score of 110 or higher? If NO, has GT Waiver been submitted Mr. Robert Bayer		
4.	Military only - current PHA Non-military only - Civilian Medical Clearance Questionnaire, 29CFR 1910.134 Appx. C. (Must provide verification)		
5.	Has 12 months of service remaining on current contract.		
6.	Assigned to a breacher billet		
7.	Individual has been informed that they must report in with this signed command screening checklist and a copy of original orders.		

4. Commanding Officer Certification Statement: I certify this Marine to be of a mature and responsible nature and consider this Marine to be stable and trustworthy. SNM has been screened and has no history of drug or alcohol abuse and has no history of disciplinary problems. I further certify that this Marine will be holding a primary or collateral billet as a Breacher within my command and as such, will ensure that they are held accountable to all related orders and directives.

Commanding Officer Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____ Rank: _____

METHODS OF ENTRY SCHOOL
STUDENT DATA SHEET

NAME: _____ RANK: _____
 Last First MI

CLASS NUMBER: _____ START DATE: _____ GRAD DATE: _____

DOD ID/MOS: _____/_____

CURRENT BILLET: _____

UNIT ADDRESS: _____

COMPANY 1ST SGT/SNCOIC Name: _____

 PHONE Number: _____

UNIT S1 PHONE NUMBER (DSN if OCONUS): _____

TIME/DATE REPORTED MOES: _____/_____

PLANNED TIME/DATE DEPARTING MOES: _____/_____

IDENTIFY PAY, TRAVEL PROBLEMS, ETC: _____



GT / RANK WAIVER REQUEST EXAMPLE

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
 WEAPONS TRAINING BATTALION
 TRAINING COMMAND
 27211 GARAND ROAD
 QUANTICO, VIRGINIA 22134-5036

1500
 XXX
 8 JAN 10

From: Commanding Officer, 1st Marine Unit
 To: OIC, Methods of Entry School

Subj: WAIVER REQUEST ICO SERGEANT SAID N. MARINE DOD ID # / MOS
 FOR METHODS OF ENTRY COURSE 2014-xxx

1. SNM does not meet the pre requisites for Methods of Entry School which is set forth by the Methods of Entry School CDD/POI. It is requested that SNM be granted a waiver for the following reasons:

- a. Sergeant Marine is in a Sergeant Billet and was deployed to Afghanistan in 2007, 2008, and 2009 in a leadership capacity. (rank example)
- b. SNM shows tremendous leadership, initiative and maturity, etc. (rank example)
- c. SNM will be filling a breacher billet within his unit. (rank / GT score example)
- d. SNM has attended Free fall, SERE, SNCOA, Sergeants Course, Special Reaction Team Leaders Course, etc. (GT score example)

4. I certify these conditions to be true and factual. These are in keeping with my certification as denoted on the command screen checklist. (NOTE: Request must include justification, beyond points list above, as to the reason for the nomination of SNM. Lack of substantiating justification is grounds for immediate denial.)

I. M. MARINE

MCBQ SAFETY PROGRAM

NON-MILITARY ONLY

REQUEST FOR MEDICAL CLEARANCE FOR RESPIRATOR USE QUESTIONNAIRE

PART I - SUPERVISOR'S EVALUATION

 PRINT Employee Name (last, first, MI) Date of Birth

 Supervisor Department and/or Section Phone

1. Types of Respirators to be used:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> a. Atmosphere-supplying Respirator
<input type="checkbox"/> b. Continuous-flow Respirator
<input type="checkbox"/> c. Open-circuit SCBA
<input type="checkbox"/> d. Closed-circuit SCBA
<input type="checkbox"/> e. Emergency Escape Respirator | <input type="checkbox"/> f. Supplied-air Respirator
<input type="checkbox"/> g. Combination air-line and SCBA
<input type="checkbox"/> h. Air-purifying (powered)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> i. Air-purifying (non-powered)
Filtering face-piece or elastomeric: |
|--|---|

2. Level of Work Effort (check one):

P-100

- | | | |
|--------------------------------|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Light | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moderate | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heavy | <input type="checkbox"/> Strenuous | |

3. Extent of Usage (check one):

- a. Daily
 b. Occasionally - once a week or more
 c. Intermittently - less than a week
 d. Rarely - or for emergency situations only

4. Length of Time of Anticipated Effort in Hours: 6

5. Special Work Considerations (i.e. high places, temperature, hazardous material, protective clothing, etc.):
Temperatures will vary due to season, summers with be high temp. Use of mask is for protection against lead fumes caused by explosive detonations.

 Date of Request Supervisor's Signature

PART II - PHYSICIAN'S EVALUATION

- Class (check one):
- | |
|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> a. NO RESTRICTIONS ON RESPIRATOR USE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> b. SOME SPECIFIC USE RESTRICTIONS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> c. NO RESPIRATOR USE PERMITTED |
| <input type="checkbox"/> d. ALTERNATE RESPIRATOR RECOMMENDED |

Restrictions:

 Routine follow-up medical evaluation required: 5 yrs 2 yrs 1 yr (under 35) (35-45) (over 45)
 Or due to medical findings return: Date _____
 Employee has been given a copy of this recommendation.

 Date of Exam Examining Physician's Printed Name Examining Physician's Signature

NOTE: Civilian employees are responsible for submitting this form (with Parts I, and II completed) to the Respiratory Protection Program Manager (RPPM) prior to or on the scheduled date of fit-testing. Any personnel without verification of a current and completed medical evaluation will NOT be allowed to attend fit-testing. Personnel whose training and fit-testing has expired are NOT authorized to wear any respiratory devices until a current and completed medical evaluation is verified by the RPPM and training and fit-testing have been completed.

Sections 133, 1071-87, 3012, 5031, and 8012, Title 10
 USC & Executive Order 9397 (Privacy Act of 1974) Apply

Lodging and Messing Details

1. ENLISTED/OFFICER STUDENTS:

Enlisted and officer students attending WTBn formal schools are provided government lodging at WTBn barracks at no cost. Government messing is available at the WTBn Dining Facility. Note, students must pay the comrat/standard rate and only local students from Quantico or stationed within 50 mile radius can use their unit issued meal card.

2. NON-MILITARY STUDENTS:

WTBn does not provide/have lodging for non-military student attending formal schools. It is the responsibility of the individual to coordinate their lodging. Additionally per MARADMIN 178/10, it is the responsibility of the parent command to fund/provide their student with daily transportation between billeting and the schoolhouse. Government messing is available at WTBn Dining Facility.

Non-military students must arrange their own billeting by contacting the following in order:

a. Liversedge Hall (Quantico BOQ), 703-784-3149. If billeting is unavailable a non-availability number must be obtained from Liversedge Hall and will be required when the student submits their DTS request/travel claim.

b. On/Off base commercial lodging. This can be completed in DTS and a non-availability number will be required as a substantiating record to justify commercial lodging. Please note, Crossroads Inn (Quantico Commercial Lodging), 703-630-4444 or 1-800-965-9511

Course Curriculum / Phases

The Methods of Entry Course is comprised of the following phases. All students are evaluated via written and performance evaluations prior to proceeding to the next phase of training:

1. Phase One (Week 1)

Week one includes a manual/mechanical/ballistic/thermal breaching scenario and circuit course.

- Introduction to Breaching
- Breacher Responsibilities
- Target Analysis
- Preparing Charge Reports
- Mission Planning
- Manual Breaching
- Mechanical Breaching
- Ballistic Breaching
- Thermal Breaching

2. Phase Two (Week 2)

Week two includes a limited visibility breaching scenario.

- Breaching Explosives
- Explosive Principles and Theories
- Explosive Hazards
- Priming Systems
- N.E.W and M.S.D. Calculations
- Charge Construct/employment

3. Phase Three (Week 3)

Week three includes all performance evaluation testing scenarios and culminating limited visibility breaching scenario featuring OCONUS style construction/targetery.

- Charge Construct/employment (cont)
- Full Mission Profile Scenarios (2-days)
- Improvised Charges (construct/employment)
- Limited visibility Breaching Scenario (OCONUS)

CLOTHING/EQUIPMENT LIST

1. **Uniform.** Students will wear the Marine Corps Combat Utility Uniform (MCCUU) appropriate to the season or flight suits as dictated by the training schedule. Graduation will be in the MCCUU.
2. **Required Gear:**
 - Seasonal MCCUU with authorized boots
 - Cold/Inclement weather gear/clothing*
3. **Provided Gear/Equipment*:**
 - Flight suit
 - Helmet
 - Ballistic vest
 - Eye protection
 - Hearing protection
 - Balaclava
 - Nomex gloves
 - Rubber rifle/pistol
 - Belt and Holster
 - Goggles/Safety Glasses
 - Head lamp
 - Basic medical trauma (blow out) kit
4. **Suggested Gear/Equipment**
 - Personal safety glasses meeting the Z-87.1 standard (ie: Oakley M-frames)
 - Hydration system (ie: Nalgene bottle)

Note: With the exception of hearing and eye protection, students are not allowed to use their personal purchased or unit issued gear while attending the course.

**For all breaching operations, regardless of weather conditions, the outer most layer worn must be issued Nomex flight suit.*

DRIVING DIRECTIONS

NOTE: Google Maps will recognize Weapons Training Battalion, Quantico, VA

1. Driving Direction from Reagan Washington International National Airport:

STEP	DIRECTIONS	DISTANCE
1	Leave Reagan Washington International Airport	
2	Go North on Reagan National Airport Rd	0.2 miles
3	Take George Washington Memorial Pwky North Ramp	1.2 miles
4	Take I-395 S (Richmond) exit on the Right	10.4 miles
5	Continue onto I-95 South	21.5 miles
6	Take exit 148 (Marine Corps Base Quantico) on the right	0.3 miles
7	Turn Right onto Russell Rd	.3 miles
8	Russell road becomes Camp Barrett Rd (MCB 4) as you enter the base	2.5 miles
9	Turn Right onto 27200 Road (at WTBn red sign)	.2 miles
10	Turn Right onto Garand Road	.1 miles
11	MOES building is the second building on the Right. Students will park in the BN parking lot (by the flag pole) Physical Address: 27241 Garand Rd, Quantico, VA 22134	

* Shuttle/taxi services are available to/from Reagan Washington International to the MCB Quantico area for approx \$100-\$140. Maintain receipts for these expenses as they are reimbursable via travel claim.

2. Driving Directions from Dulles International Airport:

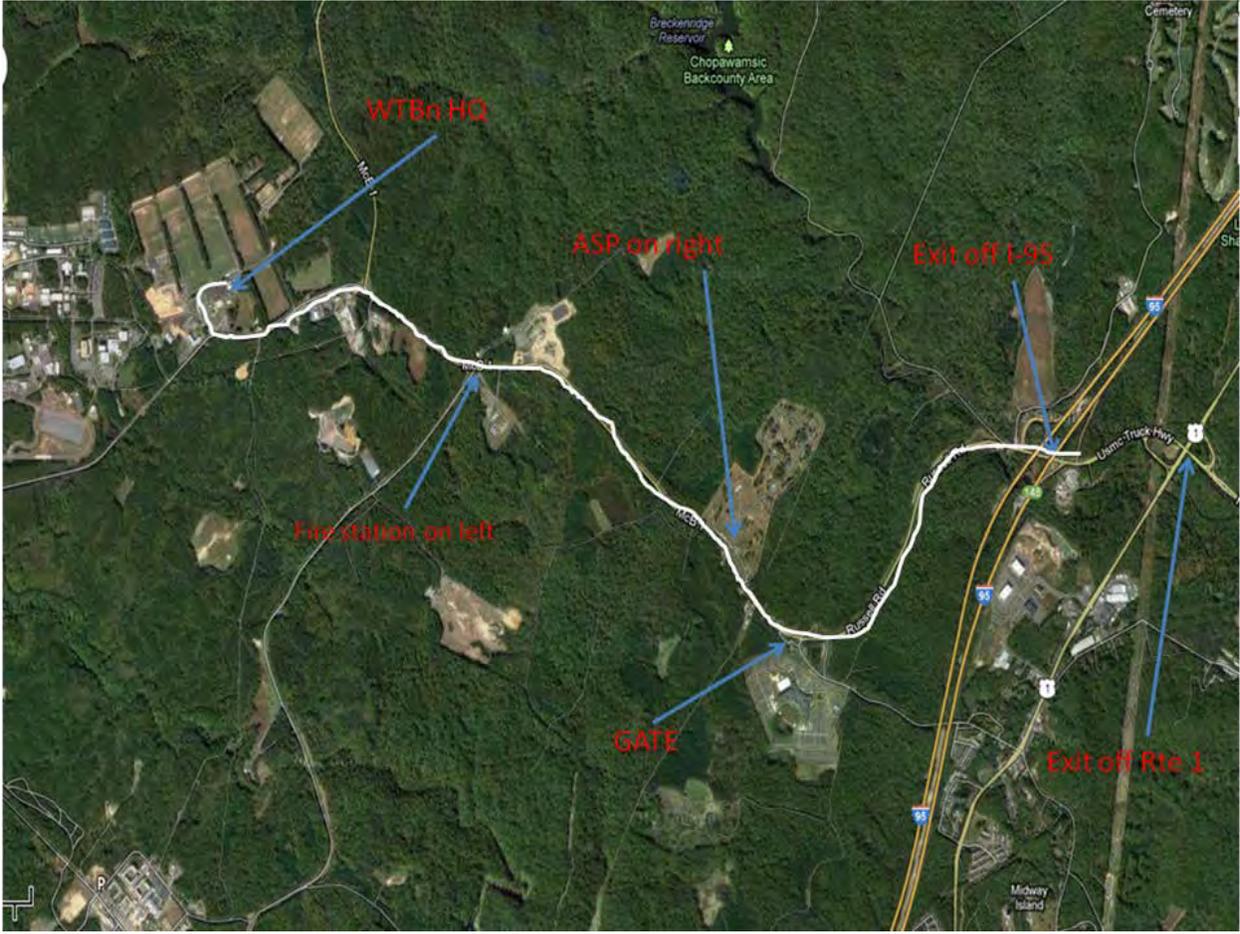
STEP	DIRECTIONS	DISTANCE
1	Go East on Saarinen Circle	12.8 miles
2	Take I-495 (VA-123, Exit 18-19, Baltimore/Richmond) ramp on the right (toll required)	1.1 miles
3	Take exit 18 (I-495 Richmond/Baltimore) on right	0.1 miles
4	Take I-495 S (Richmond, Alexandria) ramp on the right	10.4 miles
5	Take exit 57A (I-95 S, Richmond) on the right	0.6 miles
6	Take I-95 S (Richmond) ramp on the right	9.7 miles
7	Continue on I-95 S	12.7 miles
6	Take exit 148 (Marine Corps Base Quantico) on the right	0.3 miles
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3. Driving Direction from points south of MCB Quantico

STEP	DIRECTIONS	DISTANCE
6	Take I-95 N (Richmond/Washington DC)	
6	Take exit 148 (Marine Corps Base Quantico) on the right	
7	Turn Left onto Russell Rd	.3 miles
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Map to Weapons Training Bn Area via main routes



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