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LESSON PLAN

PISTOL TABLE ONE DRY PRACTICAL APPLICATION

CPP.10

COMBAT PISTOL PROGRAM

CID XXXX

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1. TRAINING OBJECTIVE

a. **Intent.** This practical application will enable Marines to practice weapons handling skills, the standing position, presentation, fundamentals, techniques of fire, speed reloads, and assessing the situation. Marines will not be evaluated on performance.

b. **Learning Objectives.** The Terminal Learning Objective and Enabling Learning Objectives pertaining to this lesson are as follows:

1) **Terminal Learning Objective.** Given a service pistol, (2) magazines, magazine pouch, ammunition, target, unit-issued holster, and personal protective equipment (PPE), without the aid of references, engage stationary threats with the service pistol to eliminate threats while achieving a qualifying score of 264 on the Combat Pistol Program (CPP) Firing Table One, Training Block Five in accordance with MCO 3574.2_.

2) **Enabling Learning Objectives**

a) Given a service pistol, (2) magazines, magazine pouch, ammunition, target, unit-issued holster, and personal protective equipment (PPE), without the aid of references, assume a standing position with the pistol IAW MCRP 3-01B.

b) Given a service pistol, (2) magazines, magazine pouch, ammunition, target, unit-issued holster, and personal protective equipment (PPE), without the aid of references, present the pistol to the target IAW MCRP 3-01B.

c) Given a service pistol, (2) magazines, magazine pouch, ammunition, target, unit-issued holster, and personal protective equipment (PPE), without the aid of references, apply the fundamentals of marksmanship while firing the pistol IAW MCRP 3-01B.

d) Given a service pistol, (2) magazines, magazine pouch, ammunition, target, unit-issued holster, and personal protective equipment (PPE), without the aid of references, apply techniques of fire IAW MCRP 3-01B.

e) Given a service pistol, (2) magazines, magazine
pouch, ammunition, target, unit-issued holster, and personal protective equipment (PPE), without the aid of references, conduct a reload IAW MCRP 3-01B.

f) Given a service pistol, (2) magazines, magazine pouch, ammunition, target, unit-issued holster, and personal protective equipment (PPE), without the aid of references, assess the situation IAW MCRP 3-01B.

2. PRACTICAL APPLICATION PREPARATION

a. Focus. The following points will be emphasized in the practical application:

1) Weapons handling
2) Standing position and grip
3) Presentation from the holster and the Tactical Carry
4) Fundamentals
5) Techniques of fire
6) Reloads
7) Search and assess

b. Exercise Setup

1) Set up a dry practice area with MPMS-1 targets positioned 7, 15, and 25 yards from Marines. To optimize training value, it is recommended the dry practice be executed on a live fire range with turning targets. The top edge of the targets should be placed at a height of six feet. Ensure the area is of sufficient size so Marines do not cover other Marines with their pistols during the exercise.

2) Ensure there is a sufficient number of targets to support the exercise.

3) Ensure weapons are in Condition 4 and magazines are empty.

c. Equipment. The following equipment is required for each Marine:

1) M9 service pistol.
2) Holster.

3) Load-bearing equipment.

4) Magazines.

5) Magazine pouches.

6) Three (2) dummy rounds.

d. Prepare Marines for the practical application:

1) "Show Clear."

2) “Once you have been cleared, Holster.”

3) "Break out all magazines."

4) Distribute required dummy ammunition.

5) "Fill one magazine with 1 dummy round and secure it in your magazine pouch. Fill the other magazine with 2 dummy rounds and secure it under your cartridge belt."

6) Coaches will ensure Marines are wearing their gear properly:

   a) Holsters must be worn to facilitate presentation.

   b) Magazine pouches must be worn to facilitate reloads.
3. **(2 HRS) PRACTICAL APPLICATION**

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<td><strong>STUDENT ROLE:</strong> The students will be spaced out to provide enough room to practice the skills.</td>
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1. **Safety Brief:** (From the ORAW) Brief the shooters on what to do if there is a mishap.

2. **Supervision and Guidance:** The instructor will supervise performance and provide feedback. Coaches will coach shooters on the techniques and procedures throughout.

3. **Debrief:** The instructor(s) will provide overall feedback.

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**Dry Practice from 7 Yards**

a. **Standing Position and Grip (Tactical Carry)**

**Drill One (Double Action):**

1) "Make a Condition 1 weapon."

2) "Assume the Tactical Carry."

3) "On the command ‘Fire’, dry fire 1 shot double action, and assume the Tactical Carry."

4) "Fire."

5) "Cease Fire."

6) "Assume the Tactical Carry."

| INSTRUCTOR’S NOTE: Repeat steps as many times as necessary for Marines to practice the fundamentals, allowing time for coaches to fault check all Marines. Provide practice in responding to the following commands at the coach’s discretion: Make a Condition 1 weapon, Make a Condition 4 weapon, and Show Clear. |
Drill Two (Single Action):

1) "On the command ‘Fire’, thumbcock the pistol and dry fire 1 shot single action, and assume the Tactical Carry."

2) "Fire."

3) “Cease Fire.”

4) “Assume the Tactical Carry.”

**INSTRUCTOR’S NOTE:** Repeat steps as many times as necessary for Marines to practice the fundamentals, allowing time for coaches to fault check all Marines. Provide practice in responding to the following commands at the coach’s discretion: Make a Condition 1 weapon, Make a Condition 4 weapon, and Show Clear.

b. Search and Assess

1) "On the command ‘Fire’, present the pistol to the target and dry fire 2 shots, search and assess, and assume the Tactical Carry."

2) “Fire."

3) “Cease Fire.”

**INSTRUCTOR’S NOTE:** Repeat all steps additional times to practice search and assess and the fundamentals of marksmanship. Allow coaches time to fault check Marines. Provide practice in responding to the following commands at the coach’s discretion: Make a Condition 1 weapon, Make a Condition 4 weapon, and Show Clear.

c. Tactical Reload

1) "On the command ‘Fire’, present the pistol to the target and dry fire 2 shots, search and assess, and assume the Tactical Carry."

2) “Fire."

3) “Cease Fire.”
4) “Conduct a Tactical reload.”

5) “Assume the Tactical Carry.”

**INSTRUCTOR’S NOTE:** Repeat all steps additional times to practice tactical reloads and the fundamentals of marksmanship. Allow coaches time to fault check Marines. Provide practice in responding to the following commands at the coach’s discretion: Make a Condition 1 weapon, Make a Condition 4 weapon, and Show Clear.

d. **Presentation from the Holster**

**INSTRUCTOR’S NOTE:** The purpose of this drill is to practice drawing and sweeping the safety. Additionally, the purpose is to establish a location for the support hand in front of the torso that allows a two-handed firing grip to be established in a minimum amount of movement. The Marine will complete presentation from the holster to a target. Emphasize that presentation should be conducted in one fluid motion. Provide practice in responding to the following commands at the coach’s discretion: Make a Condition 1 weapon, Make a Condition 4 weapon, and Show Clear.

1) "Holster."

2) "On the command ‘Fire’, dry fire 2 shots, search and assess, check the condition of your weapon, and holster."

3) "Fire."

4) “Cease Fire.”

5) “Holster.”

**INSTRUCTOR’S NOTE:** Repeat steps as many times as necessary for Marines to practice the presentation and fundamentals, allowing time for coaches to fault check all Marines. Provide practice in responding to the following commands at the coach’s discretion: Make a Condition 1 weapon, Make a Condition 4 weapon, and Show Clear.
e. **Failure to Stop**

1) "On the command ‘Fire’, present the pistol to the target, dry fire 2 shots to the torso, search and assess, and fire 1 precision shot to the head. Search and assess, check the condition of your weapon, and holster."

2) "Fire."

3) “Cease Fire.”

**INSTRUCTOR’S NOTE:** Repeat this drill as many times as necessary. Allow coaches time to fault check Marines. Provide practice in responding to the following commands at the coach’s discretion: Make a Condition 1 weapon, Make a Condition 4 weapon, and Show Clear.

f. **Speed Reload**

**Drill One:**

**INSTRUCTOR’S NOTE:** The purpose of this drill is to establish their workspace and practice hitting the slide stop to chamber a round.

1) “Assume the Tactical Carry.”

2) “Lock the slide to the rear. Take the weapon off safe and aim in on the target.”

3) "On the command ‘Weapon stopped firing’, conduct a speed reload, dry fire 2 shots, search and assess, check the condition of your weapon, and holster."

4) "Weapon stopped firing."

5) “Cease Fire.”
INSTRUCTOR’S NOTE: Repeat steps as many times as necessary for Marines to practice speed reloads, allowing time for coaches to fault check all Marines. Provide practice in responding to the following commands at the coach’s discretion: Make a Condition 1 weapon, Make a Condition 4 weapon, and Show Clear.

Drill Two:

INSTRUCTOR’S NOTE: Marines will not lock the slide to the rear on the reload. Marines will simulate the speed reload by depressing the slide stop. The purpose of the drill is to work on the mechanics of the magazine exchange within their workspace.

1) "On the command ‘Fire’, present the pistol to the target and dry fire 2 shots, conduct a speed reload, dry fire 2 shots, search and assess, check the condition of your weapon, and holster."

3) "On the command ‘Weapon stopped firing’, conduct a speed reload, dry fire 2 shots, search and assess, check the condition of your weapon, and holster."

4) "Weapon stopped firing."

5) “Cease Fire.”

INSTRUCTOR’S NOTE: Repeat steps as many times as necessary for Marines to practice speed reloads, allowing time for coaches to fault check all Marines. Provide practice in responding to the following commands at the coach’s discretion: Make a Condition 1 weapon, Make a Condition 4 weapon, and Show Clear.

6) “Make a Condition 4 weapon.”

Dry Practice from 15 Yards

a. Standing Position and Grip (Tactical Carry)

Drill One (Double Action):

1) "Make a Condition 1 weapon."
2) "Assume the Tactical Carry."

3) "On the command ‘Fire’, dry fire 1 shot double action, search and assess, and assume the Tactical Carry."

4) "Fire."

5) “Cease Fire.”

7) “Assume the Tactical Carry.”

**INSTRUCTOR’S NOTE:** Repeat steps as many times as necessary for Marines to practice the fundamentals, allowing time for coaches to fault check all Marines. Provide practice in responding to the following commands at the coach’s discretion: Make a Condition 1 weapon, Make a Condition 4 weapon, and Show Clear.

Drill Two (Single Action):

1) "On the command ‘Fire’, thumbcock the pistol and dry fire 1 shot single action, search and assess, and assume the Tactical Carry."

2) "Fire."

3) “Cease Fire.”

4) “Assume the Tactical Carry.”

**INSTRUCTOR’S NOTE:** Repeat steps as many times as necessary for Marines to practice the fundamentals, allowing time for coaches to fault check all Marines. Provide practice in responding to the following commands at the coach’s discretion: Make a Condition 1 weapon, Make a Condition 4 weapon, and Show Clear.

b. **Tactical Reload**

1) "On the command ‘Fire’, present the pistol to the target and dry fire 2 shots, search and assess, and assume the Tactical Carry."

2) “Fire.”
3) “Cease Fire.”

4) “Conduct a tactical reload.”

5) “Assume the Tactical Carry.”

**INSTRUCTOR’S NOTE:** Repeat all steps additional times to practice tactical reloads and the fundamentals of marksmanship. Allow coaches time to fault check Marines. Provide practice in responding to the following commands at the coach’s discretion: Make a Condition 1 weapon, Make a Condition 4 weapon, and Show Clear.

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1) "Holster."

2) "On the command ‘Fire’, dry fire 2 shots, search and assess, check the condition of your weapon, and holster."

3) "Fire."

4) “Cease Fire.”

5) “Holster.”

**INSTRUCTOR’S NOTE:** Repeat steps as many times as necessary for Marines to practice the presentation and fundamentals, allowing time for coaches to fault check all Marines. Provide practice in responding to the following commands at the coach’s discretion: Make a Condition 1 weapon, Make a Condition 4 weapon, and Show Clear.
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1) "On the command ‘Fire’, present the pistol to the target and dry fire 2 shots, conduct a speed reload, dry fire 2 shots, search and assess, check the condition of your weapon, and holster."

3) "On the command ‘Weapon stopped firing’, conduct a speed reload, dry fire 2 shots, search and assess, check the condition of your weapon, and holster."

4) "Weapon stopped firing."

5) “Cease Fire.”

**INSTRUCTOR’S NOTE:** Repeat steps as many times as necessary for Marines to practice speed reloads, allowing time for coaches to fault check all Marines. Provide practice in responding to the following commands at the coach’s discretion: Make a Condition 1 weapon, Make a Condition 4 weapon, and Show Clear.

**Dry Practice from 25 Yards**

a. **Standing Position and Grip (Tactical Carry)**

1) "On the command ‘Fire’, thumbcock the pistol and dry fire 1 shot single action, and assume the Tactical Carry."

2) "Fire."

3) “Cease Fire.”

4) “Assume the Tactical Carry.”
b. Threat Assessment

**INSTRUCTOR’S NOTE:** The drill is based on the following scenario: Shooters are posed with a threat and prepare for an imminent engagement. Targets will face and turn in rapid succession. Shooters will identify the threat and assume the Tactical Carry, take the weapon off safe, and thumbcock it. Shooters are prepared for an imminent engagement, but do not have a clean shot because the threat ducked behind cover. Targets will face again and shooters will engage the threat with a single action shot.

1) "On the command ‘Identify’, assume the Tactical Carry and take the weapon off safe. Thumbcock the pistol and dry fire 1 shot single action, search and assess, check the condition of your weapon, and holster."

2) "Fire."

3) “Cease Fire.”

c. Complete the practical application:

1) Answer/ask questions.

2) Collect all dummy ammunition.

3) Give the command “Show Clear.”
4) “Once you have been cleared, Holster.”

4. AFTER EXERCISE PROCEDURES

Upon completion of the exercise, Marines will be critiqued on their performance.