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**DETAILED INSTRUCTOR GUIDE**

LESSON TITLE

RIFLE PRESENTATION EXERCISE

COURSE TITLE

SUSTAINMENT LEVEL RIFLE MARKSMANSHIP (PHASE I, II, III)



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**INSTRUCTOR PREPARATION CHECKLIST**

**ESSENTIAL DATA**

LESSON DESIGNATOR	SLR.22A
LESSON TITLE	Rifle Presentation Exercise
DATE PREPARED	1 October 1999
TIME	1 hr
METHOD	Practical application and performance evaluation
LOCATION	Outdoor range
INSTRUCTORS REQUIRED	Range Coaches as required
REFERENCE	MCRP 3-01A
TRAINING AIDS/EQUIPMENT	Targets



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**DETAILED OUTLINE**

**RIFLE PRESENTATION EXERCISE**

***INSTRUCTOR'S NOTE:*** *This practical application consists of dry fire exercises followed by ISMT exercises. If you do not have an ISMT facility, only conduct the dry fire exercises.*

**1. TRAINING OBJECTIVE**

a. Intent. This exercise is designed to help Marines make the transition from known distance firing to field firing. It will provide practice in weapons presentation.

If an ISMT is used for training, the exercise will also provide practice in the application of marksmanship fundamentals for field firing.

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

1) Terminal Learning Objective. Given an M16A2 service rifle, sling, cartridge belt, magazines, magazine pouches, flak jacket, helmet, suspenders, ammunition, and targets, without the aid of references, engage targets of limited time exposure with the rifle IAW MCRP 3-01A and to achieve a proficiency level IAW MCO 3574.2\_. (PVTX.11.6)

2) Enabling Learning Objectives

a) Given an M16A2 service rifle, sling, cartridge belt, magazines, magazine pouches, flak jacket, helmet, suspenders, ammunition, and target, without the aid of references, present the rifle from the Tactical Carry IAW MCRP 3-01A. (PVTX.11.6a)

b) Given an M16A2 service rifle, sling, cartridge belt, magazines, magazine pouches, flak jacket, helmet, suspenders, ammunition, and target, without the aid of references, present the rifle from the Alert IAW MCRP 3-01A. (PVTX.11.6b)



c) Given an M16A2 service rifle, sling, cartridge belt, magazines, magazine pouches, flak jacket, helmet, suspenders, ammunition, and target, without the aid of references, present the rifle from the Ready IAW MCRP 3-01A. (PVTX.11.6c)

d) Given an M16A2 service rifle, sling, cartridge belt, magazines, magazine pouches, flak jacket, helmet, suspenders, ammunition, and target, without the aid of references, present the rifle from Strong Side Sling Arms IAW MCRP 3-01A. (PVTX.11.6d)

e) Given an M16A2 service rifle, sling, cartridge belt, magazines, magazine pouches, flak jacket, helmet, suspenders, ammunition, and target, without the aid of references, present the rifle from Weak Side Sling Arms IAW MCRP 3-01A. (PVTX.11.6e)

## **2. (1 HR) PRACTICAL APPLICATION FOR RIFLE PRESENTATION DRY FIRE**

a. Introduction. Dry fire training must be conducted by a qualified marksmanship instructor (MOS 8530 Range Coach or MOS 9925 Range Officer). The marksmanship instructor must provide instruction and feedback and analyze and correct shooting performance. Proper weapons handling procedures must be enforced throughout dry fire training.

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

- 1) Presentation from the Tactical Carry.
- 2) Presentation from the Alert.
- 3) Presentation from the Ready.
- 4) Presentation from the Weak Side Sling Arms.
- 5) Presentation from the Strong Side Sling Arms.
- 6) Search and assess procedures.

c. Exercise Setup

1) Ensure a range with a 25-yard firing capability is available for this exercise. If a 25-yard line is not available, the exercise may be conducted on a 50-yard line.

2) Ensure there are sufficient dry fire barrels and targetry ("E" targets representing 200 and 300 yards) to support Marines.



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3) Each Marine will remove the follower from two magazines to facilitate dry fire.

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

- 1) M16A2 service rifle.
- 2) Sling.
- 3) Cartridge belt.
- 4) Magazines and magazine pouches.
- 5) Flak jacket.
- 6) Helmet.
- 7) Suspenders.

***INSTRUCTOR'S NOTE:*** A load-bearing vest may be substituted for magazine pouches and suspenders. Gear will be worn in accordance with the MBST Handbook.

e. Conduct of Exercise. Assign relays and firing points for all shooters. Ensure that commands are stated clearly and that all Marines follow the commands as directed. Ensure that all shooters adhere to the four safety rules and perform weapons handling procedures. Coaches will provide immediate feedback to Marines on their performance. Inform Marines of the following procedures for the dry fire exercise:

- 1) Marines will only dry fire one shot as designated.
- 2) After dry firing, Marines will search and assess to standing.
- 3) During search and assess, the weapon will not be placed on safe and the Marines will keep a straight trigger finger.
- 4) Once search and assess is completed, the Marine will cock the rifle and place the rifle on safe.

f. Commands for Rifle Presentation Dry Fire. The following commands will be used to conduct the dry fire practical application.



<u>Drill #1</u>						
<u>Distance</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>Limit</u>	<u># of</u>	<u>Dry Fire</u>	<u>Manner</u>	<u>Fired</u>
25 yds	"E"	N/A	1	Alert:	Standing	
25 yds	"E"	N/A	1	Alert:	Standing to	
Kneeling	25 yds	"E"	N/A	1	Alert:	Standing
to Sitting	25 yds	"E"	N/A	1	Tactical:	
Standing to Prone	25 yds	"E"	N/A	1	Alert:	
Standing to Prone	25 yds	"E"	N/A	1		
Ready: Standing to Prone	25 yds	"E"	N/A	1		
Strong Side: Standing	25 yds	"E"	N/A	1		
1 Strong Side: Standing	25 yds	"E"	N/A	1		
1 Weak Side: Standing	25 yds	"E"	N/A	1		
1 Weak Side: Standing	25 yds	"E"	N/A	1		

"Relay \_\_\_\_ move to the firing line and assume the Tactical Carry."

"With an empty magazine, load, **(Pause)** make ready."

"Assume the Alert."

"When your "E" target appears, dry fire 1 shot standing."

"When your "E" target appears, dry fire 1 shot standing to kneeling."

"When your "E" target appears, dry fire 1 shot standing to sitting."

"Assume the Tactical Carry."

"When your "E" target appears, dry fire 1 shot standing to prone."

"Assume the Alert."

"When your "E" target appears, dry fire 1 shot standing to prone."

"Assume the Ready."

"When your "E" target appears, dry fire 1 shot standing to prone."

"Relay \_\_\_\_ unload."



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*"With an empty magazine, load."*



"Assume Strong Side Sling Arms."

"When your "E" target appears, make ready, dry fire 1 shot standing."

"Relay \_\_\_\_ unload."

"With an empty magazine, load."

"Assume Strong Side Sling Arms."

"When your "E" target appears, make ready, dry fire 1 shot standing."

"Relay \_\_\_\_ unload."

"With an empty magazine, load."

"Assume Weak Side Sling Arms."

"When your "E" target appears, make ready, dry fire 1 shot standing."

"Relay \_\_\_\_ unload."

"With an empty magazine, load."

"Assume Weak Side Sling Arms."

"When your "E" target appears, make ready, dry fire 1 shot standing."

"Cease fire. Unload, show clear."

<p><b>INSTRUCTOR'S NOTE:</b> Repeat the same commands for Rifle Presentation Dry Fire at 50 yards.</p>
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### **3. (1 HR) PRACTICAL APPLICATION FOR THE INDOOR SIMULATED MARKSMANSHIP TRAINER (ISMT)**

a. Introduction. The ISMT can be used to enhance marksmanship training and prepare Marines for annual requalification firing. ISMT training must be conducted by a qualified marksmanship instructor (MOS 8531 Range Coach or MOS 9925 Range Officer). The marksmanship instructor must provide instruction and feedback and analyze and correct shooting performance. Proper weapons handling procedures must be enforced throughout ISMT training.

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

- 1) Presentation from the Tactical Carry.
- 2) Presentation from the Alert.
- 3) Presentation from the Ready.
- 4) Presentation from the Weak Side Sling Arms.
- 5) Presentation from the Strong Side Sling Arms.
- 6) Search and assess procedures.

c. Exercise Setup

- 1) Assign each Marine a firing point and a rifle.
- 2) Ensure each Marine places the ISMT magazines in his magazine pouch.
- 3) Ensure slings are attached to ISMT rifles.
- 4) Brief all Marines on the procedures for the exercise to be conducted.

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

- 1) ISMT M16A2 service rifle.
- 2) Standard issue web sling.
- 3) Cartridge belt.
- 4) Magazines and magazine pouches.
- 5) Flak jacket.
- 6) Helmet.



7) Suspenders.

***INSTRUCTOR'S NOTE:*** A load-bearing vest may be substituted for magazine pouches and suspenders. Gear will be worn in accordance with the MBST Handbook.

f. ISMT Instructor Guidelines

1) Enforce the four safety rules. It is important that Marines establish the proper mindset in the ISMT facility for applying the safety rules, particularly muzzle awareness and treating every weapon as a loaded weapon.

2) Enforce weapons handling procedures.

a) Ensure the Marine properly seats the magazine on the "Load." An improperly seated magazine may not register as such on the ISMT.

b) Ensure the Marine pulls the charging handle fully to the rear on the "Make Ready." 'Short-stroking' the ISMT will still chamber a round.

c) Explain to Marines that a chamber check cannot be conducted on the ISMT because the chamber cannot be observed and the ISMT will register that a round has been extracted.

3) The location of the air hose cable on the ISMT rifle requires an adjustment of forward hand placement on the handguards. The firing position and the sling may have to be adjusted to accommodate the cable. Work with Marines to ensure any adjustments made to accommodate the cable are as minimal as possible. Ensure Marines incorporate the seven factors common to all shooting positions.

4) Ensure proper BZO setting (8/3) is placed on the rifle. When the ISMT rifle is auto zeroed, sight adjustments do not have to be made between yard lines and targets can still be engaged point of aim/point of impact.



g. Conduct of Exercise. Assign relays and firing points for all shooters. Ensure that commands are stated clearly and that all Marines follow the commands as directed. Ensure that all shooters adhere to the four safety rules and perform weapons handling procedures. Coaches will provide immediate feedback to Marines on their performance. Inform Marines of the following procedures for the ISMT exercise:

- 1) After firing, Marines will search and assess to standing.
- 2) During search and assess, the weapon will not be placed on safe and the Marines will keep a straight trigger finger.
- 3) Once search and assess is completed, the weapon will be placed on safe and the Marine will assume the Alert.

h. Commands for ISMT Rifle Presentation. The following commands will be used to conduct the ISMT practical application.

<u>Drill #1</u>						
	Time	# of				
<u>Distance</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>Limit</u>	<u>Dry Fire</u>	<u>Manner</u>	<u>Fired</u>	
25 yds	"E"	N/A	2	Alert:	Standing	
25 yds	"E"	N/A	2	Alert:	Standing to	
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Standing to Prone	25 yds	"E"	N/A	2		
Ready: Standing to Prone	25 yds	"E"	N/A	2		
Strong Side: Standing	25 yds	"E"	N/A			
2 Strong Side: Standing	25 yds	"E"	N/A			
2 Weak Side: Standing	25 yds	"E"	N/A			
2 Weak Side: Standing	25 yds	"E"	N/A			

"Relay \_\_\_\_ move to the firing line and assume the Tactical Carry."

"With a magazine of 13 rounds, load, (**Pause**) make ready."

"Assume the Alert."

"When your "E" target appears, fire 2 shots standing."



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*"When your "E" target appears, fire 2 shots standing  
to kneeling."*



"When your "E" target appears, fire 2 shots standing to sitting."

"Assume the Tactical Carry."

"When your "E" target appears, fire 2 shots standing to prone."

"Assume the Alert."

"When your "E" target appears, fire 2 shots standing to prone."

"Assume the Ready."

"When your "E" target appears, fire 2 shots standing to prone."

"Relay \_\_\_\_ unload."

"With a magazine of 3 rounds, load."

"Assume Strong Side Sling Arms."

"When your "E" target appears, make ready, fire 2 shots standing."

"Relay \_\_\_\_ unload."

"With a magazine of 3 rounds, load."

"Assume Strong Side Sling Arms."

"When your "E" target appears, make ready, fire 2 shots standing."

"Relay \_\_\_\_ unload."

"With a magazine of 3 rounds, load."

"Assume Weak Side Sling Arms."

"When your "E" target appears, make ready, fire 2 shots standing."

"Relay \_\_\_\_ unload."

"With a magazine of 3 rounds, load."

"Assume Weak Side Sling Arms."

"When your "E" target appears, make ready, fire 2 shots standing."



*"Cease fire. (Pause) Unload, show clear."*

***INSTRUCTOR'S NOTE:*** *Repeat the same commands for ISMT Rifle Presentation at 50 yards.*

#### **4. AFTER EXERCISE PROCEDURES**

Upon completion of the exercise, Marines will be critiqued on their performance. The following areas can be addressed when critiquing Marines:

- a. Presentation of the rifle from the Tactical Carry.
- b. Presentation of the rifle from the Alert.
- c. Presentation of the rifle from the Ready.
- d. Presentation of the rifle from Strong Side Sling Arms.
- e. Presentation of the rifle from Weak Side Sling Arms.
- f. Search and assess procedures.

#### **5. EXERCISE EVALUATION**

The Marine must master all performance steps to pass this exercise (100% mastery of learning objectives). Marines failing to achieve mastery will receive remedial instruction.



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SUSTAINMENT LEVEL RIFLE MARKSMANSHIP (PHASE I, II, III)



## PERFORMANCE TEST ITEM

TERMINAL LEARNING OBJECTIVE. Given an M16A2 service rifle, sling, cartridge belt, magazines, magazine pouches, flak jacket, helmet, suspenders, ammunition, and targets, without the aid of references, engage targets of limited time exposure with the rifle IAW MCRP 3-01A and to achieve a proficiency level IAW MCO 3574.2\_. (PVTX.11.6)

### ENABLING LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- a. Given an M16A2 service rifle, sling, cartridge belt, magazines, magazine pouches, flak jacket, helmet, suspenders, ammunition, and target, without the aid of references, present the rifle from the Tactical Carry IAW MCRP 3-01A. (PVTX.11.6a)
- b. Given an M16A2 service rifle, sling, cartridge belt, magazines, magazine pouches, flak jacket, helmet, suspenders, ammunition, and target, without the aid of references, present the rifle from the Alert IAW MCRP 3-01A. (PVTX.11.6b)
- c. Given an M16A2 service rifle, sling, cartridge belt, magazines, magazine pouches, flak jacket, helmet, suspenders, ammunition, and target, without the aid of references, present the rifle from the Ready IAW MCRP 3-01A. (PVTX.11.6c)
- d. Given an M16A2 service rifle, sling, cartridge belt, magazines, magazine pouches, flak jacket, helmet, suspenders, ammunition, and target, without the aid of references, present the rifle from Strong Side Sling Arms IAW MCRP 3-01A. (PVTX.11.6d)
- e. Given an M16A2 service rifle, sling, cartridge belt, magazines, magazine pouches, flak jacket, helmet, suspenders, ammunition, and target, without the aid of references, present the rifle from Weak Side Sling Arms IAW MCRP 3-01A. (PVTX.11.6e)



TEST ITEM

1. INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EVALUATOR:

- a. Ensure the Marine has the M16A2 service rifle, sling, cartridge belt, magazines, magazine pouches, flak jacket, helmet, and suspenders.

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- b. Inform the Marine there is no time limit for each target engaged during this evaluation.
- c. Tell the Marine to begin.
- d. Evaluate the Marine via the performance checklist.

2. INSTRUCTIONS TO THE MARINE: When the coach says "Begin," follow the commands. Observe the four safety rules at all times.



3. PERFORMANCE CHECKLIST:

PASS

FAIL

a. Presented the rifle from the Tactical Carry.

\_\_\_\_\_

b. Presented the rifle from the Alert.

\_\_\_\_\_

c. Presented the rifle from the Ready.

\_\_\_\_\_

d. Presented the rifle from Strong Side Sling Arms.

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e. Presented the rifle from Weak Side Sling Arms.

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