

**U.S. ARMY ORDNANCE SCHOOL
EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL DIRECTORATE
(EODD)**

BLAST NOTICE

EOD Directorate Mission

Develop, integrate, and synchronize Doctrine, Organization, Training, Materiel, Leadership and Education, & Facilities (DOTMLPF) requirements for US Army Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) throughout TRADOC; Coordinate Joint, Interagency, Intergovernmental, and Multinational (JIIM) EOD requirements in coordination with the Sustainment Center Of Excellence (SCOE) and DA G3/5/7.

Chief's Corner

COL Patrick Kelly

As Chief of the EOD Directorate, I am pleased to announce the very first edition of the "Blast Notice" Newsletter. Our intent is to publish this newsletter quarterly, as a means to help educate, inform and solicit feedback on EOD issues affecting the EOD career field. The purpose of this first edition is to simply introduce some of the key players within the Directorate; highlighting their mission, roles/responsibilities as well as some of the key activities we're currently engaged in. Future issues will provide more specific details on key projects each Division is working on as well as continue to solicit feedback from the EOD

community.

Comments and feedback from the field are vital to our mission of generating relevant products which ultimately go back out to the field. We need your current, real-world experiences to assist us in ensuring that viable and adaptable programs and procedures are developed to support all current and future EOD missions. For example, one current initiative is the establishment of a web-based EOD Group presence on milBook. This web-based forum enables EODD to post and draft documents such as ATTP 4-32.1 "The EOD Company and Platoon", providing the EOD



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community a venue to provide commentary and offer suggested revisions through an interactive online process.

I sincerely hope this newsletter provides a valuable information exchange, and we welcome your suggestions to increase its relevance to EOD Soldiers. Feel free to download and share the newsletter, SIGACTs and milBook group from the internet addresses listed on the bottom of Page 4. Thank you for your dedicated service to both the Army and the Nation.



When E.O.D. flies commercial

From the Sergeant Major

MSG R. Eric Whitsell

Thanks for taking the time to read the first issue of "Blast Notice." I take great pride in announcing to the EOD Career Field the beginning of a new era in MOS89D/89E DOTMLPF support. As a "founding father" of the EOD Directorate (EODD) I have had the pleasure of working with several outstanding and hard working military members, DA Civilians and contractors who have the EOD career field's best interests at heart. Our newly established directorate, which is aligned with the Office of the Chief of Ordnance and administratively falls

under the 59th Ordnance Brigade, currently employs seven military, three DA Civilians and 20 contract personnel. We've come a long way in a relatively short period of time, and it is my sincere hope that our quarterly newsletter will endure to inform, educate, and provide a source of information exchange with every Soldier it reaches. Thank you for your continued service to our great Nation. N670369ation.



Materiel Systems Division (MSD)

The Materiel Systems Division (MSD) within the EOD Directorate is led by MAJ Chris Bailey and Mr. Steve Herman. MAJ Bailey has EOD deployed experience at both the company and battalion level. Mr. Herman has served more than 20 years as an EOD technician with two combat tours and 26 years as an EOD Combat Developer for CASCOM. The staff is composed of four contract personnel (all prior service) and one NCO.

The focus of the division is to identify and document requirements for materiel approaches that resolve or mitigate gaps in capabilities for Army EOD Soldiers and units. This organization serves as the EOD Soldier's representative in fielding new materiel solutions that are logistically supportable, sustainable and maintainable.

MSD works closely with G-38, Adaptive CIED/EOD Solutions Division (ACES) and the Army detachment at the Naval EOD Technical Division (NAVEODTECDIV) in pursuit of technology improvements, funding of future requirements, Joint Capabilities Integration and Development (JCID), document approval, Notional Concepts, CL V modifications, Table of Equipment (TOE) changes, joining Basis of Issue Plans (BOIPs), and resolving problems that arise relative to EOD equipment.

This division participates in quarterly Notional Concept Working Groups, Semi-Annual Supportability Integrated Product Team meetings, Annual World Wide EOD Conferences and VTCs, Semi-Annual Council of Colonels Ammunition Working Groups, quarterly Action Officer Meetings, Semi-Annual Reserve Component Advisory Group –

OD Conferences, and more.

The division serves at the discretion of the Chief of Ordnance on all matters pertaining to acquisition and modernization of EOD equipment. MSD recognizes the desire of the EOD technician to have all the latest technology in their tool kit. It is important to note this organization deals with long term fixes that take into account the whole Doctrine, Organization, Training, Materiel, Leadership, Personnel, & Facilities (DOTMLPF) spectrum. With that said, all input from the field is welcome, particularly good ideas that can be submitted as Notional Concepts for new tools and equipment. In conclusion, the EOD Soldier is our customer and we take great pride in ensuring that they are best equipped for both their current and future missions.



Inspecting Captured Ordnance

Technical Forensics Exploitation (TFE) Cell

The CASCOM TFE Integrator/LNO is responsible for integrating the Weapons Technical Intelligence (WTI) process activities between the proponent areas of Technical Intelligence, Force Protection, Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD), Improvised Explosive Device Defeat (IEDD), Asymmetric Warfare (AW), and Military Police to ensure unity and priority of effort, synchronization, and resource optimization.

These LNOs serve as a direct link from G-38 to CASCOM for purposes of maintaining situational awareness of combat, training, and institutional developments, as well as provide

an avenue for direct guidance from G-38 to CASCOM decision-making entities. Currently, AT-Solutions Inc., provides two recently retired military EOD contractors to fulfill this mission requirement.

TFE joins with other key members of the EOD Directorate to unite backgrounds of both in-depth institutional processes and EOD competencies. This team advises on, coordinates and synchronizes cross-divisional efforts to ensure major initiatives which have enduring effects on the DOTMLPF domains come to fruition in a timely manner.

Training Development Division (TDD)

The Training Development Division (TDD) is led by Ms. Susan Troendle and is comprised of a staff of 15 developers. The department is organized in two branches, focusing on Collective Training and Individual Training. The mission is to develop training products for individual, collective, and leadership development training for 89D and 89E EOD Soldiers.

TDD produces Advanced Individual Training, Functional Training, Additional Skill Identifiers, Professional Military Education, and Self-development training products. These include lesson plans, exams, practical exercises, handouts, presentations, course management plans, and interactive multimedia instruction supporting both the Ordnance EOD School and field units. The goal is to optimize training productivity and

effectiveness by exploiting training strategies and planning for modernization efforts to meet all requirements and initiatives, resulting in progressive and sequentially integrated processes, ultimately ensuring consistency and continuity.

The Individual Training Branch develops training materials and products used to train Initial Entry Training, Professional Military Education, Functional, and Additional Skill Identifiers.

The Collective Training Branch develops unit training materials in partnership with the Combined Arms Command (CAC). Our charter is to analyze, design, and develop rigorous, relevant, and effective unit training products to support the EOD units. We provide the Army's current and future

force with products that lead to well trained organizations. Focusing on Brigade and higher units, fielded products provide information to assist units to plan, resource, conduct, and evaluate training. These training products include collective/warfighters Training Support Plans (TSP), collective Training Circulars (TC), and Combined Arms Training Strategy (CATS).

TDD is an outstanding and diverse team of Subject Matter Experts (SME), consisting of active-duty Officers and NCOs, as well as Instructional Systems and Training Specialists. As an open organization, decisions are not made in isolation, especially when it comes to the integrity of our training and the lives of EOD Soldiers. Your interest is welcome and appreciated and TDD looks forward to a great and productive partnership.

Capability Development & Doctrine Division (CDDD)

LTC Kelly Eiland leads the Capability Development and Doctrine Division (CDDD), with support from a staff of one NCO and five developers. The mission of the division is to produce warfighting concepts, identify requirements for future EOD operations, participate in warfighting analysis and assessment, lead participation in the assessment of available or emerging Science and Technology, sponsor warfighting experiments, use experimental insights to determine potential capabilities, document and defend required capabilities, lead or participate in integrated capability developmental teams, as well as to develop and review doctrine.

Capability development drives the Joint Capability Integration Development System (JCIDS) by leading and participating in Capability Based Assessments (CBA) and Organizational Based Assessments (OBA). These assessments identify required capabilities, as well as any high risk gaps, for both the current and future EOD force.

CDDD works closely with the operational EOD community, in order to identify the needs of the Soldier. Maintaining this relationship ensures that the operational community view is represented at the TRADOC level, allowing their voice to be integrated in establishing where the EOD community

is headed. Through directly interaction with G38, our EOD counterparts in our sister services, and the various Centers of Excellence, all efforts are aligned with one another.

The production, revision and review of doctrine are also a major part of the CDDD mission. To date CDDD has written or participated in the writing of three EOD related publications and is currently in the process of preparing another. This fourth publication focuses on operations of the EOD Company and Platoon. The division also reviews an average of five publications per month, to ensure that EOD is accurately represented throughout Army and Joint doctrine.



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