

Doctrine Announcements: (25 APR 2025)

1. During revision of ATP 3-90.4/MCTP 3-34A, *Combined Arms Mobility*, a terminology contradiction was identified. The descriptor “*covert*” has been applied to terms *breach* and *crossing* for the past two revision cycles. Pub lists “*covert*” as a type of both activities. MCES research found policy (Title 50 US Code) that clarified the definition of “*covert*” and indicated “*covert*” was an incorrect descriptor. Instead, the term “*clandestine*” was chosen. After receiving concurrence from HQMC LPE, DC CD&I, MCTOG, and MCES HQ, a request to change terminology in the *Marine Corps Dictionary* was approved by the USMC Terminologist. “*Covert crossing*” will be removed and replaced by “*clandestine crossing*”. The definition will remain as: **The crossing of an inland water obstacle or other gap that is planned and intended to be executed without detection by an enemy or adversary. (source MCTP 3-34A).** The second sentence in the second definition for “*deliberate breach*” will be eliminated because it describes tank employment operations. Lastly, the term “*clandestine breach*” will be added into the *USMC Dictionary*. It’ll be defined as: **The creation of a lane through a barrier or obstacle that is planned and intended to be executed without detection by an enemy or adversary. (Source MCTP 3-34A).** MCES will coordinate with the lead Service (Army) to incorporate these terminology changes into the signature draft edition of *Combined Arms Mobility*.

2. TECOM G3 transitioned the VCE MCTC website to SharePoint architecture. TECOM G3 VCE website contains 24 MCRPs that were “divested” from USMC Doctrine Library by DC CD&I. The TECOM G3 Share Point website allows you to download or view publicly releasable MCTCs (aka “divested” MCRPs). There’s one LIMDIS MCTC (*Engineer Field Data*). Those needing to view this pub need to request permission from TECOM G3 MCTC website manager, **Mr. Horace Vinson**. The hyperlink on MCES S3 Doctrine Branch homepage will connect you to the TECOM G3 MCTC SharePoint website. You’ll be able to view/download publicly releasable MCTCs.

3. **The USMC Doctrine Library website URL has changed to:**
https://usmc.sharepoint-mil.us/sites/MCEN_MCDoctrine

As you first open the website, you’ll be asked to request access before you can view/download pubs. Recommend requesting full access if you need to view pubs containing critical unclassified information (CUI). After requesting access, you’ll receive email acknowledgement your access has been authorized. Marines assigned to commands that use another Service’s email domain (e.g., @army.mil, @navy.mil) must request access or use USMC email domain account (@usmc.mil).

4. The Navy’s Expeditionary Warfare Development Center (EXWDC) completed second front end analysis of NTTP 3-10.1M/MCTP 3-34D, *Seabee Operations in the MAGTF*. **EXWDC is drafting a Program Directive to guide full revision of the pub.** Pub’s title will be changed to *Integrated Naval Formations – Expeditionary, Engineering*.

5. In September 2024, EXWDC began development of a new TACMEMO (TM), TM 4-04.2.1-25, *Airfield Construction and Airfield Damage Repair (AC-ADR)*. USMC SMEs from MCES, LCED, MAWTS-1, APX, and 2d MAW are participating in the EXWDC IPT in an advisory role, since the TM will be Navy-only. The new TM will use TM 4-04.2.2-22, *Navy Expeditionary Rapid Airfield Damage Repair (ExR-ADR)*, as the base document for revision. TM incorporates information obtained from current UFCs and the Tri-Service Pavement WG Manual. On 24 FEB, EXWDC held MS TEAMS adjudication session. **First Draft is being revised based on adjudication session decisions.**

6. Request to convert Dept of Army 1710-series forms into DOD forms was approved. The doctrine that prescribes use of the forms - ATP 4-44/MCRP 3-40D.14 - was revised. Army and USMC signature

authorities approved the pub. **Army proponent submitted form conversion request and approved edition of pub to Army Publishing Directorate via Center for Army Doctrine Development.** Updates will be provided as progress is made on this endeavor.

7. Army's Maneuver Support Center of Excellence (MSCoE) is developing a new Army-only pub, *Engineer Platoon*. It'll consolidate information from TM 3-34.85/MCRP 3-34.1, *Engineer Field Data*, in appendices. Then, *Engineer Field Data* will be cancelled. MCES was notified of Army's plan and issued a request for feedback (RFF) questionnaire across the Service. Feedback received will be used to determine whether to retain *Engineer Field Data* as Marine Corps-only pub and decide which information should be retained, revised, eliminated, or added. Evaluation of feedback has restarted.

8. Await Navy/USMC signature for revised edition of NWP 3-15M/MCTP 13-10J, *Naval Mine Warfare – Vol. I*. Then it'll be posted to Navy Warfare Library and USMC Doctrine Library.

9. Navy began revision of NWP 3-15M/MCTP 13-10J, *Naval Mine Warfare – Volume II* in February. USMC was given the opportunity to inject USMC-specific text into the body of the pub or to develop a USMC-only appendix. DC CD&I and MCES staff decided there was insufficient USMC material at this time to warrant negotiating multi-Service designation of this pub. Personnel from DC CD&I and MCES are participating in the Navy IPT, in an advisory role.

10. The DOD Forms Manager approved the Army/Marine Corps request to create two new forms for environmental matters. DD Form 2997, *Environmental Conditions Report (ECR)* and DD Form 2998, *Environmental Site Closure Report (ESCR)*, were loaded on the DOD Forms website on 10 October 2024. Due to the new forms, ATP 3-34.5/MCRP 3-40B.2, *Environmental Considerations*, was modified. Change 2 of the pub is on the USMC Doctrine Library website.

11. Revision of MCRP 3-40D.5/TM 3-34.70, *Plumbing, Pipefitting, and Sewerage*, has progressed to the point where multi-Service IPT is verifying accuracy of planning data in appendices. Afterward, pub will be scanned for errors before it's distributed for WWS as coordinating draft edition via ETMS2. Pub incorporates information obtained from the **2024** edition of the International Plumbing Code (IPC).

12. MCES is working with staff of US Army Corps of Engineers Reachback Operations Center (UROC) to have 2015 edition of IPC removed from Reference Library of the Reachback Engineer Data Integration (REDi) portal and replaced with 2024 version. **UROC obtained 2024 edition of IPC. It's negotiating with Publishing Dept of International Code Council to get copyright authorization so 2024 IPC can be made available as a reference for multiple DOD users.**

13. On 25 September 2024, the US Army Engineer School contacted MCES to coordinate efforts to review and revise TM 3-34.82/MCRP 3-34.2, *Explosives and Demolitions*, during FY-25. **Await Army Initial Draft.**

14. EXWDC is revising NWP 3-10, *Naval Expeditionary Combat Forces*. Personnel from DC CD&I and MCES are participating in the Navy IPT, in an advisory role. **Await final draft from EXWDC.**

15. MCES is collaborating with MAWTS-1 during revision of MCTP 3-20B, *Aviation Ground Support*. **Await author's draft from MAWTS-1.**

16. Army's MSCoE made a change 1 to ATP 3-34.20/MCRP 3-17.2D, *Countering Explosive Hazards*, to comply with an Executive Order. Change 1 included application of the new USMC numbering scheme (pub will become MCRP 10-10.1), modification of the USMC publication control number, and insertion of the newest URL for the USMC Doctrine Library website.