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DA PAM 385-64 Chapter 21

"Using commercial explosives, other than for production and Research, Development, Test, & Evaluation (RDTE), is prohibited unless commercial explosives are mission essential and specifically authorized by the installation's ACOM, ASCC or DRU commander."





PROCEDURES

- a. Obtain approval to use commercial explosives before purchase.
- b. The HD and CG information will be requested and should be received before purchase.
- c. When commercial explosives are received before USATCES assigns HD and CG information, commercial explosives will be stored as HD 1.1, CG L.
- d. The NEW will be calculated based on the weight of the explosive or TNT equivalent, whichever is larger.

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PROCEDURES

e. Approval request to store or handle commercial explosives will be sent through command channels to the installation's ACOM, ASCC or DRU approving authority.

f. When the requesting unit is a tenant activity, the request will be sent through the unit's command channels and the host installation's ACOM, ASCC or DRU approving authority must concur with the approval."





PROCEDURES

- g. The HD and CG will be obtained by providing the following information to Director, USATCES.
- (1) Documentaiton of an HD assignment by a competent authority; (DOT)
- (2) Complete item nomenclature.
- (3) Part number, drawing number, or something that uniquely identifies the item in its storage configuration.
- (4) Explosives or hazardous composition and weight. A chart or listing of hazardous materials with their weights is preferred.
- (5) Packaging data.
- (6) Number of independent safety features if the item is a fuze, contains a fuze, or has features similar to a fuze.
- (7) Any other available information that may reflect the function or effects of the explosive.
- (8) A POC and telephone number for the responsible Army organization.





GETTING THE AFFECTED RESS APPROVED

RESS is drafted and reviewed by the managing activity and installation RESS with approval memorandum is sent to USATCES for review









Installation
commander
approves
submission of the
RESS to USATCES,
and may document
approval to use/
store commercial
explosives within
this memorandum

Installation
concurrently sends
commercial
explosives
authorization
memorandum to
command authority

Upon
USATCES
approval the
RESS is sent
to DDESB for
final approval





MEMORNDUM FOR Commander, Pueblo Chemical Depot, Building 1, 45825 Highway 96 East, Pueblo, Colorado 81006

SUBJECT: Handling and Use of Commercial Explosives; Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Facility Investigation (RFI) at the Solid Waste Management Units (SWMUs) 3 and 52, Pueblo Chemical Depot, Pueblo, CO

- 1. References:
- a. Department of Army Pamphlet 385-64, Ammunition and Explosives Safety Standards, Chapter 21 Storage and handling of commercial explosives.
- b. Department of the Army Memorandum of 3 April 2017, Subject: Army and Department of Defense Explosive Safety Board (DDESB) Final Approval ESP, Pueblo Chemical Depot SWMU 3, Pueblo, CO, February 2017. [USATCES MEC File Number 3564]
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References should include Explosives Safety Submissions

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Summarize the extent and purpose of use of commercial explosives on the site, and whether they will be delivered on an as-needed basis or stored on site.

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RESS INSTALLATION APPROVAL MEMORANDUM



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

US ARMY INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON, FORT POLK 5881 WARRIOR TRAIL, BLDG 350 FORT POLK, LOUISIANA 79393-2339

MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Munitions Center of Expertise (USACE CX-MM), PQ Box 2600, Hun 35809

SUBJECT: Explosives Safety Submission (ESS), Munitions and Exp Removal Action, Military Munitions Response Program, Castor 5 Tra 001-R-01) & Blue Hole Recreation Area (Polk-004-R-01) Removal A Louisiana

- Reference Department of Defense Manual 6055,09-M, DoD Ann Explosives Safety Standards, February 29, 2008, administratively re 2010.
- 2. The U.S. Army Garrison Fort Polk approves this ESS.
- 3. The Installation Master Planner has reviewed and concurs with the
- 4. Lapprove the action and security protocols for the contractor to commercial munitions onto Castor 5 Training Area (Polk-001-R-01) Recreation Area (Polk-004-R-01), Fort Polk, subject to the technical ESS by USATCES and U.S. Department of Defense Explosives Sa (DDESB). Such approval is to store those commercial munitions in Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (BATFE) approved Typ Storage Magazine at the worksite.

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"I approve the action and security protocols for the contractor to transport commercial munitions onto Castor 5 Training Area (Polk-001-R-01) & Blue Hole Recreation Area (Polk-004-R-01), Fort Polk, subject to the technical approval of the ESS by USATCES and U.S.Department of Defense Explosives Safety Board (DDESB). Such approval is to store those commercial munitions in a Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (BATFE) approved Type II Explosive Storage Magazine at the worksite."

- Request USACE submit this document through the review and approval chain for final review and approval and request interim approval from USATCES.
- 6. Point of contact for this action is Dr. Charles Stagg, Chief, Environmental, commorcial (337) 531-7008: DSN: 863, email; charles.h.stagg.cv@mail.mil.

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EXAMPLE COMMAND APPROVAL REQUEST



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. ARMY CHEMICAL MATERIALS ACTIVITY
PUEBLO CHEMICAL DEPOT, BUILDING 1
45825 HIGHWAY 96 EAST
PUEBLO, COLORADO 81006-9330

CMPC-SOH

MEMORANDUM THRU Director, US Army Chemical Materials Activity (AMSCM-MO), E4595 Hoadley Road, Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD 21010-5424

FOR Commander, US Army Materiel Command (AMCPE-SF/) Building 7612 Cardinal Road, Redstone Arsenal, AL 35898

SUBJECT: Request Approval to Accept and Store Commercial Explosives Required for Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP) Investigation and Remediation at Pueblo Chemical Depot (PCD)

1. References:

- a. Department of the Army Pamphlet 385-64, Ammunition and Explosives Safety Standards, Chapter 21 – Storage and handling of commercial explosives
- b. Department of the Army Memorandum of 28 February 2017, Subject: Request for Submission of the Explosive Site Plan (ESP), Pueblo Chemical Depot – Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU 3), Pueblo, CO, February 2017
- c. Department of the Army Memorandum of 3 April 2017, Subject: Army and Department of Defense Explosive Safety Board (DDESB) Final Approval ESP, Pueblo Chemical Depot – SWMU 3, Pueblo, CO, February 2017. [USATCES MEC File Number 3564]
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- f. Department of the Army Memorandum of 20 March 2017, Subject: Final Chemical Warfare Materiel (CWM) Site Plan (CSP) Solid Waste Management Units 12 and 13, PCD, Pueblo, CO
- Commercial explosives will be required for detonation of munitions and explosives of concern (MEC) identified during investigation of the above referenced SWMU's.

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- Per reference 1a, PCD requests approval to receive and store select commercial explosives required to support MMRP operations at PCD.
- 4. References 1c and 1e are the DDESB approvals of the SWMU 3 and 52 ESP prepared to support Supplemental Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Facility Investigations confirming the presence/absence of MEC source area(s) and if MEC is present defining the nature and extent of potential MEC area(s).
- DDESB approval of the CSP prepared to support the RFI and Corrective Measures Study at SWMU's 12 and 13 is pending.
- Enclosure 1 is the commercial explosive data requirements. Enclosure 2 provides additional safety information for the commercial explosive component.
- 7. I approve the action and security protocols for the transport and storage of commercial explosives at Pueblo Chemical Depot SWMU's 3, 12, 13 and 52 subject to the ESP and CSP documents approved by USATCES and DDESB. Such approval is to store commercial explosives in a Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives approved Type II Explosive Storage Magazine at the worksite.
- 8. The point of contact for this action is Mr. Randy J. Wojtala, Safety and Occupational Health Manager, U.S. Army Pueblo Chemical Depot at (719) 549-4533, email: randy.j.wojtala.civ@mail.mil.

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EXAMPLE COMMERCIAL EXPLOSIVES DATA





EXAMPLE COMMAND AUTHORIZATION



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY HEADQUARTERS, U.S. ARMY MATERIEL COMMAND 4400 MARTIN ROAD REDSTONE ARSENAL, AL 35886-5000

AMCPE-SF

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FOR Commander, Pueblo Chemical Depot (CMPC-SOH), Building 1, 45825 Highway 96 East, Pueblo, CO 81006-9330

SUBJECT: Approval to Handling and Use of Commercial Explosives; Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Store and Use Commercial Explosives on Pueblo Chemical Depot

References;

- a. Department of Army Pamphlet 385-84, 24 May 2011, Armmunition and Explosives Safety Standards, Chapter 21 - Storage and Handling of Commercial Explosives.
- b. Memorandum w/enclosures, CMPC-SOH, 20 July 2017, subject: Request Approval for Handling and Use of Commercial Explosives; Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Facility Investigation at Solid Waste Management Units (SWMUs) 3 and 52.
- c. Memorandum w/enclosures, CMPC-SOH, 20 July 2017, subject: Request Approval for Handling and Use of Commercial Explosives; Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Facility Investigation/Corrective Measures Study (RFI/CMS) at the Solid Waste Management Units (SWMUs), East Chemical Munitions Burial Ground (SWMU 13) and the West Chemical Disposal Ground (SWMU 12).
- The storage, handling, and use of the commercial explosives for use on Pueblo Chemical Depot in Facility Investigation/Corrective Measures Study (RFI/CMS) and at the Solid Waste Management Units (SWMUs) have been determined as mission essential and is approved.
- 3. The activity using the commercial explosives will comply with reference 1.a. Limit the Net Explosives Weight(s) of commercial explosives present in accordance with the approved Department of Defense Explosives Safety Board, Explosives Safety Site Plans and explosives storage ficenses issued by the installation, the Installation Explosives Safety Management Program (ESMP). Prepare and execute a plan to

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dispose of all unused and/or unservlocable explosive material and residues, and participate in the Installation Commander's Explosives Safety Council.

- Pueblo Chemical Depot will comply with the applicable data call elements of Headquarters, Department of the Army (HQDA) Execution (EXORD) 043-17 Campaign on Ammunition and Explosives (AE) Safety.
- 5. The Point of Contact for this action is Mr. Earle Chase, HQ AMC, G-1, Safety Office, (256) 450-6511, earle.g.chase.civ@mall.mll.

EDWARD M. DALY Lieutenant General, USA Deputy Commanding General





REFERENCES

DoDM 6055.09M DoDI 4150.62

DDESB TP-16 DDESB TP-18

Army PAM 385-63 Army PAM 385-64

USACE EM 200-1-15 USACE EM 385-1-97 USACE EP 75-1-3 USACE ER 385-1-95

- DoD Explosive Safety Manual
 - DoD Guidance on MPPEH Inspection Process
 - Primary Source for Protection Requirements
 - Minimum Qualification Standards for UXO Personnel
 - Range Safety
 - Explosive Safety
 - Technical Guidance for MMR Actions
 - Explosive Safety and Health Requirements
 - Chemical Warfare Material Response Process
 - Safety and Health for Operations Involving MEC





WHAT WOULD A UXO BRIEF BE WITHOUT... RECOGNIZE - If you



RECOGNIZE – If you think you have seen something that looks like a UXO

DO NOT TOUCH IT!!!

Leave the Area.

REPORT – Notify Nearest Law Enforcement Agency

Describe its Size, Shape, and color along with where you saw it.

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QUESTIONS?



