

OFFICE OF THE COMMANDANT
THE CITADEL
Charleston, South Carolina

26 March 2019

MEMORANDUM

NO 3

STAR OF THE WEST COMPETITION

1. General. The Star of the West Competition will be conducted on the parade ground at 0900, Wednesday, 1 May 2019.
2. Organization.
 - a. Battalions will conduct a preliminary competition coordinated by the rising Battalion Operations Officers to select two cadets from each respective company. This competition is open to all classes. The current Sergeant Major along with the current First Sergeant will turn the names into the Regiment Operation NCO by the 17-April-2019 by 1200 hrs. The purpose is to select the Best Drilled Cadet within the Corps.
 - b. Each company, to include the Regimental Band, will have TWO cadets participating. The names of the two participants from each company will be submitted to the rising Regimental Operations Officer by 1200, 17 April 2019.
 - c. All participants will report to the rising Regimental Operations Officer at 0820, Wednesday, 1 May 2019, on the Quadrangle of Padgett-Thomas Barracks (2nd Battalion).
 - d. Uniform is Dress Whites under arms without ribbons, medals, or badges. Participants will be issued number cards upon reporting. One will be worn on the lower left front of the blouse and one will be worn centered, on the back. The rising Regimental Operations Sergeant will pick up the cards from the Operations Officer and pins from SFC Greene, by 1300, Tuesday, 23-April- 2019 and ensure that the cards are properly pinned on the participants for the competition. The rising Regimental Operations Clerks will assist.
 - e. Judges will be Sergeant Major Yagle (Chief Judge), Sergeant Major Moffitt, First Sergeant Bowers, First Sergeant Smith, First Sergeant Dean, First Sergeant Webster, SFC Greene.
3. Conduct of Competition.
 - a. Participants will be judged on the correct position of the weapon and hand;

arm and body position; proper foot position; head movement; and precision and snap in the execution of movements.

- b. Participants will be marched onto the parade ground at 0850, Wednesday, 1 May 2019, from the 2nd Battalion Quad.
 - c. Twenty movements will be executed. Then the number of each eliminated cadet will be called out. Eliminated cadets will execute About Face, come to Port Arms and leave the field at Double Time. Eliminations will continue until only one cadet remains on the field, who will be the winner of the competition.
 - d. At the beginning of the competition, five ungraded commands will be given.
 - e. When a command is preceded by “By the Numbers,” the first count of the the first count of the movement will be executed on the command of execution, the second count on “Ready, TWO” and so forth. Commands not preceded by “By the Numbers” will be fully executed at normal cadence.
4. Incident Weather. In the event of inclement weather, the competition will be held in Deas Hall.
5. The Regimental Provost Marshal will be responsible for spectator and traffic control during the competition.

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Distribution:

Sergeant Major Yagle
Sergeant Major Moffitt
First Sergeant Bowers
First Sergeant Smith
First Sergeant Dean
First Sergeant Webster
SFC Greene
Regt Provost
Current & Rising Regt Staff, Bn Cmdrs,
Company Cmdrs, Ops Officers