

Field Medical Training Battalion - East (FMTB-E) Class 24040 Annex A Practice Test (Sample)

Study Guide



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Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

Remember: successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:

1. Start with a Diagnostic Review

Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.

2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions

Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 - 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.

3. Learn from the Explanations

After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.

4. Track Your Progress

Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.

5. Simulate the Real Exam

Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.

6. Repeat and Review

Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.

There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!

Questions

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- 1. What term describes being hidden from enemy sight but not protected from fire?**
 - A. Camouflage**
 - B. Screening**
 - C. Cover**
 - D. Concealment**

- 2. In the operational chain of command, who is directly above the Commanders of Combatant Commands?**
 - A. President**
 - B. Secretary of Defense**
 - C. Secretary of the Navy**
 - D. Chairman of the Joint Chiefs**

- 3. Where is the 1st MEF located?**
 - A. Camp Lejeune, NC**
 - B. Camp Pendleton, CA**
 - C. Okinawa, Japan**
 - D. Cherry Point, NC**

- 4. The Commandant of the Marine Corps serves in which organizational element?**
 - A. Commandant's Office**
 - B. Fleet Marine Force**
 - C. Head Quarters, USMC**
 - D. Training and Education Command**

- 5. What is the signal for head count?**
 - A. Shouting 'Head Count!'**
 - B. Tapping on the Helmet**
 - C. Raising a Hand**
 - D. Waving a Flag**

- 6. Which part of the RCO is used for reflecting the image to the eye?**
- A. Eyepiece**
 - B. Roof prism**
 - C. Objective lens**
 - D. Mirror**
- 7. Which term means hiding from enemy sight but not protecting from fire?**
- A. Obscuration**
 - B. Camouflage**
 - C. Concealment**
 - D. Cover**
- 8. The nickname 'Devil Dogs' refers to Marines who fought in which 1918 battle?**
- A. Iwo Jima**
 - B. Belleau Wood**
 - C. Fallujah**
 - D. Tarawa**
- 9. Which platoon within a Marine Medical Battalion is identified as the most mobile capability?**
- A. Shock Trauma Platoon**
 - B. Medical Logistics Platoon**
 - C. Field Surgical Team**
 - D. Aid Station**
- 10. The Geneva Conventions for the Protection of War Victims were ratified in which year?**
- A. 1945**
 - B. 1949**
 - C. 1950**
 - D. 1962**

Answers

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1. D
2. B
3. B
4. C
5. B
6. B
7. C
8. B
9. A
10. B

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Explanations

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1. What term describes being hidden from enemy sight but not protected from fire?

- A. Camouflage**
- B. Screening**
- C. Cover**
- D. Concealment**

Concealment means you're hidden from the enemy's sight but not protected from their fire. It reduces the chance of detection, but it doesn't provide any physical shielding from bullets or shrapnel. That's exactly the situation described: you're unseen, yet you remain vulnerable to fire. Camouflage is about blending with the surroundings to avoid detection, which can contribute to concealment but isn't defined by the protection aspect. Cover, by contrast, is something that physically stops or reduces the effects of fire, which isn't present here. Screening hides your approach or position from observation, but the core idea here is being unseen while remaining exposed to fire.

2. In the operational chain of command, who is directly above the Commanders of Combatant Commands?

- A. President**
- B. Secretary of Defense**
- C. Secretary of the Navy**
- D. Chairman of the Joint Chiefs**

In the operational chain, the immediate superior of the Combatant Commanders is the Secretary of Defense. The President is the Commander in Chief and sets overall national policy, but the day-to-day command authority for military operations flows through the Secretary of Defense down to the combatant commands. The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff provides military advice and serves as a senior officer coordinating the services; he does not personally command the combatant commands. The Secretary of the Navy handles the Navy's affairs within his service, not the overarching command structure for all combatant commands. That immediate supervisory link to the Combatant Commanders is the Secretary of Defense.

3. Where is the 1st MEF located?

- A. Camp Lejeune, NC**
- B. Camp Pendleton, CA**
- C. Okinawa, Japan**
- D. Cherry Point, NC**

The main idea is knowing where the Marine Expeditionary Forces are headquartered. The 1st Marine Expeditionary Force is headquartered at Camp Pendleton, California, on the West Coast. This distinguishes it from the other MEFs: the 2nd MEF is based at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, and the 3rd MEF is based in Okinawa, Japan. Cherry Point in North Carolina houses aircraft units that support II MEF, but it isn't the MEF headquarters. So, the location of the 1st MEF is Camp Pendleton, California.

4. The Commandant of the Marine Corps serves in which organizational element?

- A. Commandant's Office**
- B. Fleet Marine Force**
- C. Head Quarters, USMC**
- D. Training and Education Command**

The Commandant serves as the senior officer within Headquarters, United States Marine Corps. HQMC is the central organizational element that houses the Commandant and the staff who set policy, strategy, and resource direction for the entire Marine Corps. It sits under the Department of the Navy and reports to the Secretary of the Navy. The Fleet Marine Force is a force assignment concept for Marine units with Navy fleets, not the governing element of the Commandant. Training and Education Command handles training and education under HQMC, and the Commandant's Office is a component within HQMC rather than the overarching organizational home.

5. What is the signal for head count?

- A. Shouting 'Head Count!'**
- B. Tapping on the Helmet**
- C. Raising a Hand**
- D. Waving a Flag**

Tapping on the helmet is the quickest, quiet, and universally recognizable way to cue a head count in the field. It provides a silent, low-profile signal that can be seen or felt by nearby teammates without breaking radio silence or drawing attention from others. This makes it reliable in noisy environments and during movement or stealth operations. Shouting head count reveals position and can alert adversaries; raising a hand can be missed in busy or unstable formations; waving a flag is impractical in tight spaces or rugged terrain and can snag on gear.

6. Which part of the RCO is used for reflecting the image to the eye?

- A. Eyepiece**
- B. Roof prism**
- C. Objective lens**
- D. Mirror**

Light from the scene travels through the objective lens to form an image, and that image must be redirected and oriented so you see a correct, upright view through the eyepiece. The roof prism is designed to do this inside compact optical devices like the RCO: it uses internal reflections along a roof-shaped edge to fold the light path and rotate the image back to upright, then sends it to the eyepiece for viewing. This dual role of reflecting and erecting the image makes the roof prism the best choice for delivering the image to the eye. The eyepiece simply magnifies what the prism provides, while the objective lens forms the initial image; a mirror could reflect light but wouldn't reliably correct orientation and keep the design compact.

7. Which term means hiding from enemy sight but not protecting from fire?

- A. Obscuration**
- B. Camouflage**
- C. Concealment**
- D. Cover**

Concealment is about staying out of the enemy's sight. It hides you, such as behind a bush, in darkness, or in smoke, but it does not stop bullets or shield you from fire. Cover, on the other hand, provides actual protection from enemy fire, like a wall or earth. Camouflage helps you blend in visually, but concealment is the specific idea of remaining unseen. Obscuration refers to making vision harder (smoke, fog) but isn't the same as hiding behind something. So the term that means hiding from enemy sight but not protecting from fire is concealment.

8. The nickname 'Devil Dogs' refers to Marines who fought in which 1918 battle?

- A. Iwo Jima**
- B. Belleau Wood**
- C. Fallujah**
- D. Tarawa**

The nickname comes from the U.S. Marines' fierce fighting in the Battle of Belleau Wood in 1918. German soldiers reportedly dubbed the Marines "Teufelshunde" or Devil Dogs for their ferocity and tenacity as they defended the wooded area near the Marne, a defining moment that helped earn the Marine Corps a lasting reputation for grit in World War I. The other battles listed—Iwo Jima and Tarawa in World War II, Fallujah in the Iraq War—occurred later and did not give rise to this nickname.

9. Which platoon within a Marine Medical Battalion is identified as the most mobile capability?

- A. Shock Trauma Platoon**
- B. Medical Logistics Platoon**
- C. Field Surgical Team**
- D. Aid Station**

The most mobile capability is the Shock Trauma Platoon. Its mission is rapid, forward medical response to battlefield injuries, with a small, self-contained, highly maneuverable team that can accompany the infantry and operate in austere, dynamic environments. This unit focuses on immediate life-saving interventions—airway control, hemorrhage control, rapid resuscitation, and stabilization—so casualties can be moved out of danger quickly and evacuated to higher care without slowing the assault. In contrast, a Field Surgical Team, while capable of performing surgeries, requires more setup and equipment, making it less nimble in forward areas. An Aid Station handles triage and initial stabilization but isn't designed for the same level of rapid, on-the-move trauma care. A Medical Logistics Platoon provides supply support rather than direct casualty care on the move.

10. The Geneva Conventions for the Protection of War Victims were ratified in which year?

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These agreements were produced after World War II to set formal protections for those affected by war. They were negotiated and opened for signature in 1949, with many nations signing and ratifying the text that same year. The ratifications then proceeded in the following period, and the conventions entered into force in 1950. Because the question asks when they were ratified, 1949 is the year most closely associated with the ratification process for these treaties.

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Next Steps

Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.

As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.

If you need help, have suggestions, or want to share feedback, we'd love to hear from you. Reach out to our team at hello@examzify.com.

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We wish you the very best on your exam journey. You've got this!

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