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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. Which color decal represents an officer?

- A. Red
- B. Green
- C. Black
- D. Blue

2. Which flag size is 5'x9.5'?

- A. Garrison
- B. Post
- C. Storm
- D. National

3. After reaching the top of the gangway during boarding, what is the next action?

- A. Reach the top of the gangway.
- B. Salute the Officer of the deck.
- C. Face the aft and salute the flag.
- D. Request permission to come aboard.

4. Hard Labor without Confinement is defined as the accused being required to perform hard labor for a specific amount of time in addition to the Marines regular duties.

- A. A form of reprimand
- B. Confinement to quarters
- C. The accused is required to perform hard labor for a specific amount of time in addition to the Marines regular duties
- D. A monetary fine

5. The 2nd Marine Logistic Group is headquartered where?

- A. Camp LeJeune, NC
- B. Camp Pendleton, CA
- C. New Orleans, LA
- D. Okinawa, Japan

6. Procedural Articles range?

- A. 77-134
- B. 1-76 and 135-146
- C. 1-50
- D. 90-146

7. Which Marine earned five Navy Crosses?

- A. Smedley Butler
- B. Dan Daly
- C. Chesty Puller
- D. John Basilone

8. Camp LeJeune is based in which state?

- A. California
- B. North Carolina
- C. Virginia
- D. Texas

9. Where is the 2nd Marine Division based?

- A. Camp Pendleton, CA
- B. Okinawa, Japan
- C. Quantico, VA
- D. Camp LeJeune, NC

10. What is the keyword for Billets of Interior Guard?

- A. SCSCOC
- B. PEP
- C. MCSCO
- D. OCSCD

Answers

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

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Explanations

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1. Which color decal represents an officer?

- A. Red
- B. Green
- C. Black
- D. Blue**

Color decals on the drill field are used to quickly identify roles, and blue is the color assigned to officers in this scheme. This helps trainees and instructors spot leadership at a glance during formations and drills, making commands and transitions smoother. So the blue decal best represents an officer because it designates that leadership role in the color-coding system. The other colors are used for different enlisted or staff roles, so they don't indicate officer status.

2. Which flag size is 5'x9.5'?

- A. Garrison
- B. Post
- C. Storm**
- D. National

Knowing standard flag sizes and their names helps you match a given dimension to its designation. A 5 by 9.5 feet flag is the storm flag—this smaller size is specifically used for storm conditions or for spaces where a larger flag wouldn't be practical. The other names refer to larger flags: a garrison flag and a post flag are bigger and used on larger buildings or installations, while the national flag denotes a different category that doesn't align with this smaller measurement. So, the 5'x9.5' size best fits the storm flag.

3. After reaching the top of the gangway during boarding, what is the next action?

- A. Reach the top of the gangway.
- B. Salute the Officer of the deck.
- C. Face the aft and salute the flag.**
- D. Request permission to come aboard.

When boarding a ship, you immediately show respect to the vessel and country. Upon reaching the top of the gangway, you turn to face the aft and salute the flag. This ceremonial gesture acknowledges the ship's authority before you proceed. After this salute, the Officer of the Deck would acknowledge you and you would then request permission to come aboard. So the next action is to face aft and salute the flag, because the flag salute establishes the proper protocol before any further contact or instructions.

4. Hard Labor without Confinement is defined as the accused being required to perform hard labor for a specific amount of time in addition to the Marines regular duties.

A. A form of reprimand

B. Confinement to quarters

C. The accused is required to perform hard labor for a specific amount of time in addition to the Marines regular duties

D. A monetary fine

Hard labor without confinement is a disciplinary punishment where the accused must perform hard labor for a specific period in addition to their normal duties, but they are not confined to quarters. This distinguishes it from confinement, which would restrict the person to a location, and from a reprimand or a monetary fine, which do not involve performing extra hard labor. The extra duty serves as a corrective measure while allowing the service member to remain at duty location, making this definition precisely what hard labor without confinement entails.

5. The 2nd Marine Logistic Group is headquartered where?

A. Camp LeJeune, NC

B. Camp Pendleton, CA

C. New Orleans, LA

D. Okinawa, Japan

Knowing where the second Marine Logistics Group is headquartered shows which base houses its command and support network for II MEF. The group's headquarters is at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune in North Carolina, a hub on the East Coast for storing and moving supplies, maintaining equipment, and coordinating transportation for deployed Marine units. Camp Lejeune is closely associated with II MEF's logistics backbone, which is why it's the correct location. The other bases align with different units or regions—Camp Pendleton hosts the first Marine Logistics Group on the West Coast, New Orleans hosts reserve units, and Okinawa supports Pacific forces—so they aren't the home of the second group.

6. Procedural Articles range?

A. 77-134

B. 1-76 and 135-146

C. 1-50

D. 90-146

Procedural Articles represent the parts of the code that govern how cases move through the system—from investigation and command authority to courts-martial procedures and appeals. They aren't all in one continuous stretch; they show up in two separate sections: an initial block at the start and then another block near the end. Between these two blocks sits the group that covers offenses, which is why the two-block arrangement makes sense for procedural matters. The option that reflects this two-part structure is the one that lists the early procedures plus the later procedures, rather than a single contiguous range. The other choices imagine the procedural articles as a single continuous span, which would miss one of the procedural sections.

7. Which Marine earned five Navy Crosses?

- A. Smedley Butler
- B. Dan Daly
- C. Chesty Puller
- D. John Basilone

The Navy Cross is the second-highest decoration for valor in the Navy and Marine Corps, awarded for extraordinary heroism in combat. Earning it multiple times shows repeated acts of intense bravery and effective leadership under fire across different campaigns. The Marine who earned five Navy Crosses is Chesty Puller, making him the most decorated Marine in U.S. history. His career demonstrated consistent courage and capable command in multiple engagements, earning the Navy Cross five times. By contrast, the other Marines listed are renowned for different honors: Smedley Butler and Dan Daly are famed for the Medal of Honor, the highest valor award, and John Basilone earned the Medal of Honor at Iwo Jima.

8. Camp LeJeune is based in which state?

- A. California
- B. North Carolina
- C. Virginia
- D. Texas

Knowing where major Marine Corps bases are located helps with questions about postings. Camp Lejeune is in North Carolina, near the city of Jacksonville in Onslow County along the state's Atlantic coast. It's one of the Marine Corps' largest installations and serves as a major east coast hub for units such as the II Marine Expeditionary Force. That geographic location is why North Carolina is the correct choice. California houses Camp Pendleton; Virginia has bases like Quantico and Norfolk; Texas hosts other installations.

9. Where is the 2nd Marine Division based?

- A. Camp Pendleton, CA
- B. Okinawa, Japan
- C. Quantico, VA
- D. Camp LeJeune, NC

Where a Marine Division is based is its home base and the region it's most closely tied to. The 2nd Marine Division is based at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, as part of II Marine Expeditionary Force. Camp Lejeune has long served as its home, giving the division the training areas, facilities, and command structure it uses for operations and readiness. The other locations are associated with different units: Camp Pendleton hosts the 1st Marine Division in California; Okinawa houses forces under III MEF, including units tied to the Pacific theater; and Quantico serves as a major training and command hub rather than the base for this division.

10. What is the keyword for Billets of Interior Guard?

A. SCSCOC

B. PEP

C. MCSCO

D. OCSCD

This item tests your ability to recognize the keyword used to designate billets assigned to Interior Guard. In this context, the keyword is the acronym that best signals internal security and guard duties within a facility. The option starting with SCSCOC is the best fit because its form aligns with a security/inside-the-facility role, which is exactly what Interior Guard billets entail. The other acronyms point to terms or programs not associated with interior guard duties, so they don't match the context of Interior Guard billets.

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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.

Or visit your dedicated course page for more study tools and resources:

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

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