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REGIMENTAL POLICY LETTER 1-23

From: Commanding Officer  
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Subj: 11TH MARINES READDRESSAL IN CASE OF SAFETY OF USE MESSAGE FOR THE JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE ELECTRICAL SYSTEM DISCONNECT FOR TRANSPORT AND STORAGE

Ref: (a) 1ST MARINE DIVISION READDRESSAL FOR SAFETY OF USE MESSAGE FOR THE JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE ELECTRICAL SYSTEM DISCONNECT FOR TRANSPORT AND STORAGE  
(b) MCO 5100.34A  
(c) MCO 5100.29C  
(d) TM 2320-10/1  
(e) TM 2320-23&P/1

Encl: (1) 1st Marine Division Readdress in case of the Safety of Use Message for the Joint Light Tactical Vehicle Electrical System Disconnect for Transport and Storage

1. Situation

a. The Joint Light Tactical Vehicle (JLTV) Program Office has directed JLTV owners to disconnect JLTV electrical systems when JLTVs are left unattended, parked, stored, or being transported for periods of 96 hours or longer in order to eliminate potential thermal events (i.e. fire or smoke). The Joint Light Tactical Vehicle Program Office and 1st Marine Division has authorized O-5 level commanders to perform a risk assessment and allow their JLTVs' electrical systems to remain fully connected while unattended.

b. Program Manager Light Tactical Vehicle has received multiple reports of fire or smoke in JLTVs. Investigations and root cause analyses have determined that the vehicle's electrical system is the primary source of the fire or smoke, but has not determined the exact cause for these thermal events. When the vehicle's main battery disconnect switch is off, the main battery disconnect removes power to the starting circuit, however, the battery disconnect does not completely disconnect the batteries from associated systems. To reduce the risk of a potentially catastrophic thermal event while JLTVs are transported or left unattended, the Program Office recommends to disconnect the batteries when these vehicles are not in use.

2. Mission. Effective immediately, touring requirements of areas where JLTVs are stored will be incorporated into the Regimental Command Duty Officer and Staff Duty Officer schedule to mitigate any potential fire or smoke damage to the JLTVs.

3. Execution

a. Commander's Intent and Concept of Operations

(1) Purpose. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that 11th Marine Regiment is in compliance with the 1st Marine Division Readdress in case of the Safety of Use Message for the Joint Light Tactical Vehicle Electrical System Disconnect for Transport and Storage.

(2) Method. The Regimental Executive Officer and Sergeant Major will brief the Command Duty Officers and Staff Duty Officers on their additional responsibility to tour areas where JLTVs are parked at least once daily when those areas are not occupied for more than 72 consecutive hours (i.e. holiday weekends). During these tours, the Regimental Command Duty Officer or Staff Duty Officer will specifically look for signs of fire or smoke originating from parked JLTVs.

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(3) Endstate. 11th Marine Regiment complies with the 1st Marine Division Readdress in case of the Safety of Use Message for the Joint Light Tactical Vehicle Electrical System Disconnect for Transport and Storage.

b. Coordinating Instructions. Battalion Commanders will review and implement the provisions of this policy. The Regiment will not require any of the Battalions to disconnect JLTV batteries, however Battalion Commanders retain the final decision for their respective equipment to either leave the battery connected and conduct spot checks every 72 hours, or disconnect the battery in accordance with enclosure (1).

4. Administration and Logistics. Questions, recommendations for changes, and or additions regarding this Regimental Policy can be addressed to the 11th Marines Regimental Motor Transport Officer at (760) 725-4760.

5. Command and Signal

(a) Command. This policy is applicable to all active duty, reserve, and civilian personnel within 11th Marine Regiment.

(b) Signal. This policy is effective the date signed.



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