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## Combat Desert Jacket (CDJ)



### Requirement.

USMC Cold Weather ORD NO LOG 42.4 w/chg 1, 2 and 3.

### Description.

In an effort to meet its ever changing environmental challenges, the Marine Corps has identified a need for a Combat Desert Jacket that will provide protection from the unique environmental nature of the desert. The CDJ is a lightweight, wind resistant, water repellent jacket intended to provide multi-season environmental protection in desert environments. It provides protection against wind, blowing sand and light rain/snow, will have a minimal impact on the combat load and utilizes desert MARPAT printed fabrics that feature moisture management, odor reduction and breathability characteristics. It has been designed to be compatible with the Marine Corp Combat Utility Uniform (MCCUU), fleece pullover and lightweight cold weather underwear. It is lightly insulated with a neck gaiter/headover that is rolled and stowed in the collar. The CDJ has pockets on the chest, lower front and sleeves. The sleeves end in a monkey paw configuration that provides additional hand protection and insulation.

### Fielding Status.

Fielding of 60,000 CDJ's began in November 2006. Currently, 25,000 are planned to go to both the First Marine Expeditionary Force and the Second Marine Expeditionary Force, with the remaining 10,000 going to the Third Marine Expeditionary Force for issue through the Consolidated Issue Facilities

(CIF's). Deploying units will have priority in the fielding schedule.

### Production.

Tennessee Apparel

Delivery of the jackets began in Nov 07. Deliveries will continue through 4Q FY08.

### NSNs:

|               |                  |
|---------------|------------------|
| Size X-Small  | 8415-01-541-9416 |
| Size Small    | 8415-01-541-9427 |
| Size Medium   | 8415-01-541-9430 |
| Size Large    | 8415-01-541-9432 |
| Size X-Large  | 8415-01-541-9436 |
| Size XX-Large | 8415-01-541-9442 |

### Programmatic.

### Issues.

- Major problems have surfaced regarding the shade of the sleeves.
- Jan 07; Due to shade concerns, production has been halted.
- Production start up has commenced, 800 CDJ's per week will be sustained until flame resistant technology is added.

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