



MARINE !!!

This is your: **United States Marine Corps**

OKC3S MULTIPURPOSE BAYONET

It is designed to serve you as a bayonet, fighting knife and field knife.

Take proper care of this bayonet and it will serve you well.

This bayonet was designed to serve Marines of the 21st Century. It was rigorously tested by the Marine Corps Martial Arts Center of Excellence (the MACE), and it meets or exceeds all the requirements of a modern bayonet and fighting knife.

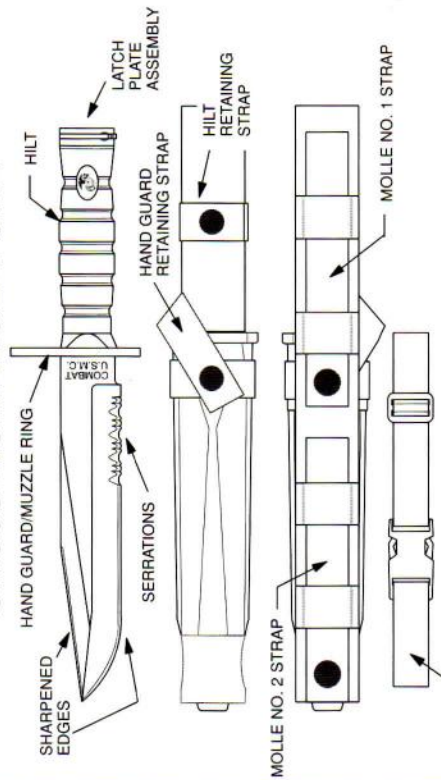
The MACE SME-EW, in cooperation with the Ontario Knife Co., of Franklinville, NY, provides this pocket manual free to Marines.

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OKC3S NOMENCLATURE

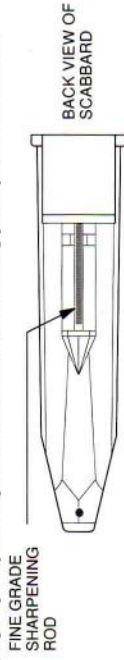


An optional leg strap is available for use with the scabbard.

The metal parts of the OKC3S bayonet and scabbard should always be kept clean and well lubricated. This includes the spring inside the throat of the scabbard.

SHARPENING

This bayonet was issued to you as a weapon, and secondarily is designed to serve as a field and utility knife. Its combat training and usage doctrine have been developed by the MACE. The Marine Corps expects it to be kept properly sharpened, so that it will support your mission!



The scabbard has been provided with a fine grade rod-shaped sharpening stone on its back for touching-up the blade.

Lift the webbing and use this stone to sharpen the blade using an angle equal to the cutting edge of the blade. Maintain this angle consistently while sharpening.

Using smooth, even pressure, draw the edge across the stone (approximately 10 - 20 strokes). If a burr appears on the reverse edge, this indicates a good sharp edge. Move to the reverse edge and smoothly hone off the burr, and you are "Good-To-Go!"

Don't leave the sharpening to "someone else." It is your responsibility to keep your gear in A1 condition.



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Subject: The Marine Corps Individual Marine Manual for the OKC3S Bayonet.

As you may or may not be aware I wrote the “individual soldiers” manuals for the Army’s Product Improved M9 bayonet. When the Marine Corps began the adoption of the final form of the Ontario Knife Company made, OKC3S Marine bayonet, I worked hard to get them to include an individual user’s manual with each bayonet delivered to the Marine Corps. Ontario did not understand the publicity value of the manual to the company, and did not want to assume the cost of printing and delivering a manual with each bayonet.

I approached MARCORPSYSCOM on the same subject, but they did not want to assume the expense, but would accept the manuals if the manufacturer paid for and supplied them. That closed the matter at that time, as no one wanted to pay for the manual.

Once the new bayonet began being distributed throughout the Marine Corps, we at the Martial Arts Center of Excellence (the MACE) kept getting requests for an “individual user’s” manual. The MACE did not have approved Marine Corps funds to do the job, and in my Instructor Trainer classes the subject constantly came up.

As my personal pockets are not very deep, I had to reflect for a time on a way to solve the problem, as obviously if a manual was going to be written and published for Marines, I was going to have to do it myself and at my personal expense.

Finally requests from around the Corps put me into a decision mode. Using the experience I acquired doing the Army M9 manual I designed and wrote the Marine Corps OKC3S individual Marine manual. It was written in 2004; note the date on the front is the Marine Corps birthday (10 November). The manual was written in a “commercial” format, so the MACE and I did not have to go through the long and time consuming Marine Corps channels to have it “officially” approved. This is why it is a “commercial-format”, Ontario approved manual. Even though Ontario did not want to pay to publish the manual, they were glad to have it made.

I knew that I could not afford to print sufficient paper manuals to meet the demand throughout the Marine Corps out of my own pocket. After some thought I decided the only efficient way for me to print the manual was on Tivek-like paper, thus making it almost indestructible and not affected by water or sweat. Then the MACE would issue them out to selected Marine Corps units and facilities. These Marines could then take two of the Tivek manuals, and put them (reversed and side-by-side) on any photocopier, using legal length paper, and produce as few or as many replaceable paper manuals as they needed.

Distribution throughout the Marine Corps was and remains Marine Corps armories, Marine Corps Martial Arts Program Instructors and Instructor trainers, and any specialized Marine Corps personnel and units.

I and the MACE are the only source for these manuals, and we carefully give them out in pairs to selected Marines and Marine units. I did provide less than a dozen copies to the Ontario Knife Company, but they do not distribute them, as they did not contribute in paying for them.

I have no plan to ever reprint the manual, as their careful distribution will last some years.

Respectfully submitted,



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