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THE L98A2 CADET GP RIFLE WEAPON HANDLING TEST GENERAL INSTRUCTION

General

1. Cadets and CFAVs who are qualified to be issued with the L98A2 Rifle are to be competent in its use. Passing the Weapon Handling Tests (WHTs) proves this competence.

Testing

2. WHTs are to be taken as follows:
- a. At appropriate stages during the relevant training, where applicable, and on its completion.
 - b. Within six months prior to live firing.

Results

3. Results are to be recorded in the appropriate unit personal recorded.

Lessons

4. Prior to taking the WHTs Cadets and CFAV are to have completed the rifle lessons contained in Pamphlet No. 5-C The L98A2 Cadet GP Rifle (5.56 mm), L86A2 Light Support Weapon and Associated Equipment.

Conduct

5. WHTs are to be conducted as follows:
- a. Conducted by qualified Skill at Arms (SAA) Instructors who have passed the WHTs within the stated time frame.
 - b. Tests are to be completed consecutively and are to be carried out in barracks using drill ammunition.

Definition of Standards

6. The standards to be achieved in WHTs are as follows:
- a. **Pass** - Pass in all tests.
 - b. **Fail** - Fail in any test.

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7. Training Performance Standards. A Cadet or CFAV is considered competent on achieving the pass standard. Failure to meet the pass standard indicates that the cadet or CFAV is not competent in the use of the rifle. Retesting is to be carried out after completion of remedial training.

WHTs CADET GP RIFLE

Test No	Subject	Stores	Conditions	Marking
1	Safety	Rifle, loaded, Safety Catch at 'F'. Weapon lying on the ground.	1. Order the Cadet or CFAV to pick up the weapon. The Cadet/CFAV without further direction, is to: a. Adopt the prone position and take control of the weapon, put the safety catch to 'S'. b. Remove the magazine and check that the chamber, body and the face of the bolt are clear. 2. Order the Cadet or the CFAV to hand over the weapon. The Cadet/CFAV is to: a. Point the muzzle in a safe direction and carry out NSP's.	The Cadet/CFAV is to be awarded Fail if the actions are not carried out as listed.
2	Stripping, Cleaning and Assembling	Rifle with sling fitted, unloaded, cleaning kit (with combination tool out), flannelette and oil.	1. Order the Cadet or CFAV to strip the rifle as for daily cleaning. Ask the following questions: a. What size flannelette is used to clean the barrel? b. What size flannelette is used to oil the barrel? c. Show how you would remove any fouling or debris from the chamber. d. Show how you would examine the barrel for cleanliness. e. When should magazines be stripped? 2. Order the Cadet or CFAV to indicate the	Standard: Pass – 1-2 mistakes. Fail – More than 2 mistakes. Fail – If any mistake affects safety.

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			<p>parts of the combination tool that are used to clean the gas plug.</p> <p>3. Order the Cadet or CFAV to assemble the rifle and test the function of the weapon (The functions test is to be carried out from the prone position).</p>	
3	Magazine Filling	<p>Magazine with 10 loose drill rounds, stopwatch.</p> <p>Instructors Note: All ammunition is to be removed from the magazine and a magazine fitted with a penny depressor is to be used for the remaining tests.</p>	<p>1. On the command “Go” the Cadet or CFAV fills the magazine with 10 rounds by hand</p>	<p>Standard: Pass – Less than 20 seconds. Fail – Over 20 seconds.</p>
4	Loading Prone Position	<p>Rifle with sling fitted one magazine in pouch.</p> <p>Instructors Note: Load with a magazine fitted with a depressor.</p>	<p>1. Order “Adopt the Prone Position”, Cadet or CFAV to adopt the Prone Position.</p> <p>2. Give the command “With a magazine fitted with a penny depressor load”. Pouches must be refastened.</p> <p>Instructors Note: Leave weapon loaded for Test 5.</p>	<p>1. The Cadet/CFAV is to be told that no time limit is imposed but all actions should be carried out quickly and correctly.</p> <p>2. Standard: Pass – 1 mistake. Fail – More than 1 mistake. Fail – If any mistake affects safety.</p>

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5	Ready Drill	Rifle with sling fitted, loaded (from Test No.4), representative targets.	1. Once the Cadet or CFAV has aligned himself, on to the target order <i>“Ready”</i> .	1. The actions tested are those relating to the Ready Drill Only. 2. The Cadet/CFAV is to be told that no time limit is imposed but all actions should be carried out quickly and correctly. 3. Standard: Pass – 1 mistake. Fail – More than 1 mistake. Fail – If any mistake affects safety.
6	Making Safe	Rifle with sling fitted, loaded (from Test No.5), representative targets.	1. Order <i>“With a magazine fitted with a depressor make safe”</i> . 2. The Cadet or CFAV is to unload the weapon as taught and then place on a fresh magazine.	1. The Cadet/CFAV is to be told that no time limit is imposed but all actions should be carried out quickly and correctly. 2. Standard: Pass – 1 mistake. Fail – More than 1 mistake. Fail – If any mistake affects safety.
7	Stoppages Immediate Action (IA)	Rifle with sling fitted, loaded (from Test No.6), representative targets.	1. Order <i>“300”</i> and then <i>“Fire”</i> . 2. Order <i>“Rifle firing alright – rifle stops”</i> . Cadet or CFAV to carry out the IA drill, <i>“Cocking</i>	1. The actions tested are those relating to the (IA) Drill only. 2. The Cadet/CFAV is

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			<p>handle fully forward". Cadet or CFAV is to tap forward on the cocking handle and continue firing.</p> <p>3. Order "Rifle fires alright", "Stop".</p>	<p>to be told that no time limit is imposed but all actions should be carried out quickly and correctly.</p> <p>3. Standard: Pass – 1 mistake. Fail – More than 1 mistake. Fail – If any mistake affects safety.</p>
8	IA and Loose Magazine Drill	Rifle with sling fitted, loaded, representative targets.	<p>1. Order "Fire", then "Rifle firing alright – rifle stops". Cadet or CFAV to carry out the IA drill, "Cocking handle fully forward". Cadet or CFAV is to tap forward on the cocking handle and continue firing.</p> <p>2. Order "Rifle still fails to fire".</p> <p>3. On examination of the body and chamber order "Rounds in the magazine – chamber clear". Allow the Cadet or CFAV to complete the drill and fire.</p> <p>4. Order "Rifle fires alright", "Stop".</p>	<p>1. The actions tested are those relating to the Loose Magazine Drill only.</p> <p>2. The Cadet/CFAV is to be told that no time limit is imposed but all actions should be carried out quickly and correctly.</p> <p>3. Standard: Pass – 1 mistake. Fail – More than 1 mistake. Fail – If any mistake affects safety.</p>
9	IA and Obstruction Drill	Rifle with sling fitted, loaded, representative targets.	<p>1. Order "Fire", then "Rifle firing alright – rifle stops". Cadet or CFAV to carry out the IA drill, "Cocking handle NOT fully forward".</p> <p>2. On examination of the</p>	<p>1. The actions tested are those relating to the Obstruction Drill only.</p> <p>2. The Cadet/CFAV is</p>

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			<p>body and chamber order “Obstruction”.</p> <p>3. When the Cadet or CFAV has removed the magazine and attempts to clear the obstruction, order “Obstruction clear”.</p> <p>4. When the cadet or CFAV has visually inspected the chamber, order “Chamber clear”.</p> <p>5. The Cadet or CFAV is to then complete the obstruction drill.</p> <p>6. Order “Rifle fires alright”, “Stop”.</p>	<p>to be told that no time limit is imposed but all actions should be carried out quickly and correctly.</p> <p>3. Standard: Pass – 1 mistake. Fail – More than 1 mistake. Fail – If any mistake affects safety.</p>
10	IA and Empty Magazine Drill	Rifle with sling fitted, loaded, representative targets.	<p>1. Instruct the Cadet or CFAV to cock the weapon and apply the Holding Open Catch, with the working parts held to the rear, order “Test and adjust – Fire” “Rifle firing alright - rifle stops”.</p> <p>2. Cadet or CFAV to carry out IA Drill, order “Empty magazine”. Cadet or CFAV is to carry out the drill for an empty magazine.</p> <p>3. When the Cadet or CFAV has completed the drill and continues firing.</p> <p>4. Order “Rifle fires alright”, “Stop”.</p>	<p>1. The actions tested are those relating to the Empty Magazine Drill only.</p> <p>2. The Cadet/CFAV is to be told that no time limit is imposed but all actions should be carried out quickly and correctly.</p> <p>3. Standard: Pass – 1 mistake. Fail – More than 1 mistake. Fail – If any mistake affects safety.</p>
11	Unloading	Rifle with sling fitted, loaded and ready (from Test No.7).	<p>1. Order “Unload”.</p> <p>2. The test is not complete until the Cadet or CFAV has recovered the ejected round, replaced it in the</p>	<p>2. The Cadet/CFAV is to be told that no time limit is imposed but all actions should</p>

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			magazine and fastened the pouch.	be carried out quickly and correctly. 3. Standard: Pass – 1 mistake. Fail – More than 1 mistake. Fail – If any mistake affects safety.
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