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1. SGS LOG:	2. IN SGS:	3. OUT SGS:	4. DATE PREPARED:
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5. SUBJECT:
Request for Waiver of DA PAM 385-63 Provisions (Platoon Live Fire Range Waiver)

6. ACTION OFFICER/OFFICE SYMBOL/PHONE NUMBER:	7. DIRECTOR'S/COMMANDER'S SIGNATURE:
CPT Mercado, Christopher, L., ATSH-TPT/706-545-5504	JOHN M. GRANTZ, LTC, IN, Commanding

SIGNATURE APPROVAL INFORMATION

SGS DEP CofS Garrison CSM USAIS CSM USAARMS CSM MCOE CSM CDID
 GC CofS SA Comdt, IN School Comdt, AR School CG

1. PURPOSE: 2d Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment requests that the Commanding General approval and sign the range safety waiver of DA PAM 385-63 provision for 2/11's Platoon Live Fire.

2. RECOMMENDATION: All enclosed waiver requests to provisions of DA PAM 385-63 are approved for the period of one year.

3. DISCUSSION:
 2/11 requests waiver to maneuver within a small portion of the surface danger zone (area W) of a direct fire weapon system, allowing the assault element to maneuver under realistic conditions to enhance battlefield effects and integrate realism into the training scenario.
 Specific justification for this waiver is counted within the attached packet.
 In addition to specific safety measures for this waiver, the Fort Benning Range Division will continue to review the specific live fire scenario for safety on a yearly base.

SIR: Recommend approve. Fully staffed & coordinated. No issues - recurring annual waiver.

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POC: CPT DOTTIS, 545-0145 OR MAJ SMITH

8. COORDINATION/APPROVAL

9. MON/1 OCT 13

OFFICE	ACTION	NAME AND DATE	OFFICE	ACTION	NAME AND DATE
Post Safety	Concur w/ CMT	Full EGO 1 Oct 13			
Range Cont	CONCUR	Boysen 18 SEP 13			
DPTMS	CONCUR	Kathryn 10/3/13			
G3	CONCUR	LTC HILMES 10/3/13			
G370	Concur	Stanger 1 Oct 13			

STAFF REMARKS: (Command Group Use Only)

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APPROVAL AUTHORITY

APPROVED:

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REPLY TO
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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, PLANS, TRAINING, MOBILIZATION AND
SECURITY, U.S. ARMY GARRISON, FORT BENNING, GA 31905

SUBJECT: Waiver for Infantry BOLC Platoon Live Fire SDZ Deviation on Galloway Range

1. REFERENCES:

- a. Army Regulation 385-63, Range Safety, 30 Jan 2012.
- b. DA Pamphlet 385-63, Range Safety, 30 Jan 2012.
- c. TRADOC Regulation 385-2, TRADOC Safety Program, 23 January 2009.
- d. MCoE Regulation 350-19, Mar 2013.
- e. MCoE Policy Memorandum 385-63-7, 27 Mar 2013.

2. Training to be conducted: Infantry BOLC Platoon Live Fire Exercise (LFX) on Galloway Range.

3. Area to be waived: Surface Danger Zone (SDZ) area to allow troops to maneuver inside the overlapping SDZ of the Support by Fire (SBF) element. Troops are approved to maneuver up to 100 m inside area W of the approved SDZ.

4. Background: Recent changes to DA PAM 385-63 now mandate that on any range where there is fire and maneuver, a SDZ must be applied to both movement boxes and stationary firing positions. A cone shaped SDZ was used for the SBF element which fires from a static position, never moves, and clears their weapons systems upon cease fire of the SBF. When the SDZ is applied, it forces the SBF element to cease fire while the assault is still over 400m away from the objective and still has reached a point where they can successfully accomplish a flanking movement or battle hand off, and assault onto the final objective.

5. Controlling Factors: Controlling factors for this waiver includes but is not limited to: clear fields of fire and line of site from the SBF to the target, reducing the chance of a ricochets into area W of the approved SDZ; Cadre maintain their own PACE plan to confirm shift and cease fire via MACOM, MBITER radio, and alternate signals to further ensure safety of all students during fire and movement; crew-served machine guns are on tri-pods prior to initiation of fires; while shooting the crew-served machine guns remain on tri-pod and do not move; and once the

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PL gives the command for the SBF element to cease fire, the Cadre supervise the students in clearing all weapons. Once the Platoon is complete with the LFX, the unit moves back to the AAR area. Cadre, up to the Battalion Commander, will certify all students in dry and blank fire scenarios prior to execution of LFX.

6. Composite Risk Management factors were considered in the development of the Range Safety Waiver. Units are responsible for having the Composite Risk Management Worksheet for this range completed, signed by appropriate personnel, and submitted to Range Operations prior to firing on this range.

7. This waiver is valid for the period of one year when used in conjunction with live fire range scenario and risk management worksheet. In the event of an accident arising from the use of the waived condition, this waiver is invalid until reinstated by this headquarters.

8. The point of contact for this action is Mr. Brad Tesch, Operations Officer, Range Operations Division, Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security, 544-6385.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. R. McMaster', with a large, stylized flourish extending to the right.

H. R. MCMASTER
Major General, USA
Commanding General