

As Marines, we do not have the luxury of unlimited time to get ourselves ready to shoot, move and communicate across the battlefield as units, individuals and part of the total force. Our nation expects us to be ready to do those things now.

Our approach to readiness, which reflects that reality, includes many different components. Last month's focus was personal readiness. This month, we cover equipment readiness. The subject matter is different, but the philosophy is the same: equipment readiness is a collective effort. It is not just a job for maintainers. It is not just a job for unit leaders. It is a job for every Marine. Whether it is a multi-million dollar weapon system or basic issue, it is our responsibility as an organization to keep our gear ready at all times.

We succeed and we fail AS A TEAM. Is your gear squared away? Semper Fidelis.

BY THE NUMBERS

Total Select Reserve 39,167

Selected Marine Corps Reserve 30,734

> **Active Reserve** 2.268

> > **Trainees** 3.584

Individual Mobilization Augmentees 2,581

RESERVE SITES

Tenant Locations 133

> **Owned Sites** 27

Family Housing Sites

TOTAL MARINE CORPS RESERVE 102,755

Active Component End Strength 183,420

> U.S. Navy End Strength 1,455

Authorized SelRes End Strength 38,500

Individual Ready Reserve 63,588

Exercises: 12 Operations: 12 Total Deployed: 1,936

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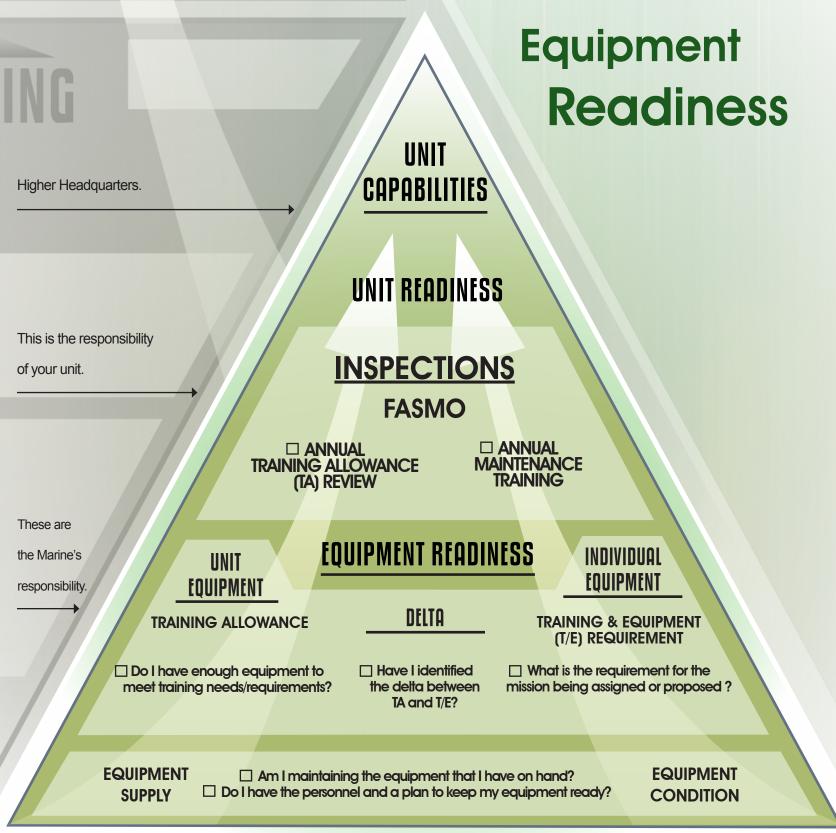


RESERVE READINESS SERIES

PART 3 Of 5

This is the third of five issues addressing what it means to be "Ready."

This month's issue will focus on:





Equipment readiness is a balance of what your unit needs to train and what your unit can maintain. You must strike the right balance to maximize the training opportunities yet be able to pay the price in maintenance requirements.

