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MICHIGAN MILITIA CORPS, WOLVERINES (M.M.C.W.)
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MILITIA

An unorganized, well-regulated, and independent Citizen militia.

PURPOSE

To establish the historical and Constitutional precedent for the establishment of the Michigan Militia Corps, Wolverines. To explain its mission, goals and the organizational structure of the Wolverines.

“A well regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed.” [Amendment 2 of the united States Bill of Rights].

“Every person has a right to keep and bear arms for the defense of himself and the State.” [Article I, Section 6, Constitution of Michigan, Declaration of Rights].

MISSION

To defend the Constitution for “the State of Michigan” and the Constitution for these united States of America. To uphold and defend the Bill of Rights, seen as unalienable, given by God to free men that they remain free. To insure that all citizens regardless of race, color, religion, sex, physical characteristics, or national origin; shall have the right and opportunity to due process of law as established and guaranteed by the Great Documents that are intended to guide this once great nation.

HISTORY

Others have set the precedent for the Michigan Militia Corps, Wolverines generations ago. Therefore, it is up to us, the inheritors of the task begun more than two centuries ago, to seek and secure these same ideals in the face of the same threats expressed by Patrick Henry. To wit, that the organized government,
having removed it itself from the citizens, inter-se, had intended to dissolve the rights and liberties of free people. To that end, the mission of the Michigan Militia Corps, Wolverines is hereby set forth.

United States Code, Title 10, Section 311, page 95, defines militia:
(a) The militia of the United States consists of all able-bodied males at least 17 years of age and except as provided in section 313 of title 32, under 45 years of age who are, or who have made a declaration of intention to become, citizens of the United States and of female citizens of the United States who are commissioned officers of the National Guard.

(b) The classes of the militia are:
   (1) the organized militia, which consists of the National Guard and the Naval militia; and
   (2) the unorganized militia, which consists of the members of the militia who are not members of the National Guard or the Naval militia.

Section 312. Militia duty exemptions:

(a) The following persons are exempt from militia duty:
   (1) The Vice President
   (2) The Judicial and Executive officers of the United States, the several States and Territories, Puerto Rico.
   (3) Members of the armed forces, except members who are not on active duty.
   (4) Customhouse clerks.
   (5) Persons employed by the United States in the transmission of a mail.
   (6) Workers employed in armories, arsenals, and naval shipyards of the United States.
   (7) Pilots on navigable waters.
   (8) Mariners in the sea service of a citizen of, or a merchant in, the United States.

(b) A person who claims exemption because of religious belief is exempt from militia duty in a combatant capacity, if the conscientious holding of that belief is established under such regulations as the President may prescribe. However, such a person is not exempt from militia duty that the President determines to be noncombatant.

It is our understanding that Michigan Militia Corps, Wolverines constitutes and fulfills the roll of the Unorganized Militia for the State of Michigan.

Michigan Compiled Laws 32509: Organized militia; unorganized militia section 109 provides that:
-The organized militia of this State collective shall be known as the State Military establishment and constitutes the armed forces of this State. The organized militia consists of the Army National Guard, the Air National Guard, and the defense force when actually in existence as provided in this act.

-The unorganized militia consists of all other able-bodied citizens of this State who have or shall have declared their intent to become citizens of the United States who shall be age 17 or over and not more than age 60, and shall subject to State Military duty as provided in this act

GOALS

It shall be the goal of Michigan Militia Corps, Wolverines to:

1) Present itself to the inhabitants/Citizens of this region as a well-regulated, well-trained, well-equipped, and knowledgeable militia unit, comprised of ordinary inhabitants/Citizens rather than professional soldiers.

2) Establish a cohesive command structure able to instruct and to task as need arises.

3) Train its members in the many disciplines necessary to the function of the militia as a whole, and as members individually.

4) Educate its members in areas of history, law, and principle, through knowledge imparted by this country’s historical record.

5) Inform its members of local, national, and global events imperiling the Constitution, and impacting the direction of the state and/or country.

6) Encourage its members to fulfill their duty to stand against tyranny, and anyone or anything that threatens to undermine our form of government, or these united States of America.

7) Uphold the pure constitutional rule of law whereby all inhabitants/Citizens have the right to trial by jury of their peers in a court of law.
8) Seek the protection, wisdom, and leadership of Almighty God as we submit to Him to do His will in protecting the liberty and freedom that He has given to all.

**ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE**

While it is intended that the militia intrude as little as possible in the private lives of its members, it is also clear that individual members are duty-bound and must be ready to meet periodically and to deploy as the need arises. It shall be the objective of the staff to infringe as little as possible on the time of militia members, recognizing their responsibilities to their families and jobs, but also acknowledging the duty to protect their country by fulfilling their oath to the fullest extent.

Militia members are highly encouraged to live exemplary lives by following the examples of our forefathers. Blatant violation of fundamental law places the legitimacy of the MMCW at risk. Just one member can jeopardize the citizen militia by unlawful acts when those wishing to discredit us look for such opportunity.

Members may stand trial for flagrant violations of oath and such acts that would discredit the Wolverines or place the MMCW at risk. Therefore, in order to protect the body as a whole, militia membership shall be immediately suspended pending investigation by peers/leadership to hear the facts of the case before it. The accused will stand in his or her own defense. No charge will be brought to the member unless supported by at least two witnesses. The maximum penalty for any offense shall be permanent dismissal from the militia. After counsel the convened command staff shall vote on appropriate action which will result in either reinstatement or revocation of membership in the MMCW. Any militia member may voluntarily withdraw from the militia at any time without prejudice for reasons of conscience. In such case, all issued equipment must be returned.

It shall also be the right of each militia member to appeal to authority within the direct chain of command regarding grievances. If a militia member, for reason of conscience, feels impelled to disobey an order he feels is unlawful, he should immediately contact the next in the chain of command with his grievance.

The MMCW shall support and obey all laws that do not conflict with the Constitution for the State of
Michigan or the Constitution for the united States of America. It is of note, that the U.S. Supreme Court has stated that any law which conflicts with the Constitution is not a law at all, and may be freely ignored. (This is not legal advice; you are responsible for your own actions and the consequences thereof.)

There will be NO alcohol, NO illegal drugs, and NO illegal weapons allowed at ANY MMCW training or meeting. Anyone found to have, or suspected of having, any of the previously mentioned items on their person, in their possession or in their system will be asked to leave the training, meeting, or event.

**ASSEMBLY MEETINGS**

It is your duty as a Leader/Commander/member to attend meetings. Failure to attend meetings or to send a proxy voids any complaint later.

Periodic musters and assemblies are necessary and shall be called to achieve the overall goals of the militia unit. Members must discipline themselves to set aside a time for assembly.

MMCW state meetings are to be held no less than two (2) times per year. One of these meeting is to be held no more that 60 days prior to elections for MMCW Commanding Officer and MMCW Executive Officer. This is a time to question, meet, etc the new candidates so as to make an educated decision at the time of the elections. State meeting are to be centrally located. All members must be notified of place and date of any state meetings no less then 30 days prior.

All militia members will be required to provide information about them to their closest Brigade/Division Commander in order that their experience and background can be best utilized. Information provided shall be kept confidential and shall be used only for the functioning of the MMCW. Brigade Commanders are to contact their Division Commander at least once per month to update any changes. Division Commanders are to contact State Command once per month to relay and update any changes.

Even though every citizen has a duty to defend his state by his joining into civil society, under no circumstances are militia members to discredit the MMCW by pressuring citizens to join or contribute material or financial support. All material and financial contributions shall be accepted.
COMMAND AND RANK STRUCTURE

In order to achieve those goals, a command structure made up of a Commander and Command Staff has been created. Subordinate to Command Staff shall be support elements. Each element is to consist of subordinate units necessary to carry out the mission of the brigades and the MMCW as a whole. The organization shall be structured as follows:

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The Command structure shall be made up of commissioned officers elected, whenever possible, others may be appointed according to necessary skills required to perform duties needed (subject to dismissal for lawful reasons, fully agreed upon by CO and XO). Rank is associated with the office held. Once a person no longer holds a position, they no longer hold the rank of the vacated position.

Levels of readiness and abilities are set into qualification levels as follows.

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<td>Recon 1</td>
<td>Warrant Officer</td>
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<td>Five/Company Leader</td>
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Only the subdued versions of all enlisted ranks, officer positions, qualification pins and badges
are to be worn.

Once you are level one qualified, in any category, you are considered a militiaman/militiawoman.

MEMBERSHIP

Citizens, or those residents who have declared an intent to become citizens, who reside within Michigan, who are capable of bearing arms, may join the Michigan Militia Corps, Wolverines (MMCW) as members by fulfilling the following requirements:

1. **Age**: the minimum age for service in the MMCW is 18 years.
2. **Probation**: Each new/rejoining person is required to attend 3 FTXs (Field Training Exercise)/meetings at any level (Brigade, Division, State) to establish for themselves if this is what they want to do and to start acquiring their Level One gear.
3. **Rules and Regulations**: A copy of these rules and regulation along with a check list for Level One will be available to the new recruit on the website MMCW.org. The new recruit must read and accept both this manual and the MMCW handbook.
4. **Oath**: After probationary time has been fulfilled each member must take the militia member oath contained in these rules and regulations.
5. **Each member is required to have a prepared Squad Meal Kit**: The historical importance of this goes without saying. Keeping the team nourished in good times and bad is important. Keeping the meals simple and quick to prepare in any conditions is the challenge. A trip to Gordon’s Food Service generates a low-cost meal package for 15 people, which cost a little over $2 per meal. This will keep for a long time, and in a pinch, can be eaten without cooking.

What will be covered here are some ideas on what our brothers and sisters at Southeast Michigan Volunteer Militia (SMVM) use:
The boxes used are 13 inches x 13 inches x 13 inches. 1 - 6 lbs. can main course with meat, 1-6 lbs. can of vegetables, 1 - 6 lbs. can of diced potato’s and some kind of fruit or fruit cocktail, and one case of bottled water. You can choose what ever you like, just make sure what fits into the box. All canned foods are pre-cooked, this way, if time does not permit, you can serve the meal cold. With room left in the box, add 15 disposable food trays, disposable utensils, napkins, salt & pepper, mixing spoons, can opener, matches, and trash bags for clean up. (everything in this box is disposable, one box is totally self serving). Label box, list weight. If each member carried one box in their vehicle plus bottled water, together logistics will be improved.

6. **COPY OF THE US CONSTITUTION AND DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE**: Neither of these grant us any rights. It is far beyond the scope of a written document to bestow (or remove) a naturally occurring right. Instead, they seek to clarify and preserve our natural, fundamental human rights, none of which are dependent upon any mere document. A thorough understanding of how the Constitution was designed only to limit the government will lead you to
better grasp the nature of some of the threats that loom over our country today. We suggest that you become quite familiar with your Constitutions. There are many who would deny its validity: they are your enemy. If, for some reason, you do not have a copy of these important documents available, please contact your nearest militia unit and they can furnish you with one. You can also contact your Congressman or Senator and request a copy.

**MEMBER CLASSIFICATIONS**

1. **Reserve Member**: Anyone who has completed all points of the membership requirements stated above.

2. **Active Member**: Anyone who:
   a. Has completed the membership requirements stated above
   b. Has completed the qualification in any of the categories the MMCW currently offers
   c. Has made a minimum donation of $20 per calendar year to cover the cost of the website training expenses, campsites and other incurred expenses.
   d. Attendance to no less that 4 FTXs per calendar year, at any level (Brigade, Division, State), with the attendance of 1 State FTX/meeting per year highly recommended, but not required (mainly if location/distance to travel is unreasonable – especially for our brothers and sisters in the UP, who may be active, but not able to make a 7-8 hour drive to attend a state meeting).

At this level you are able to cast a vote in any changes to MMCW policy, this manual, how funds are utilized, state elections or any other changes to the MMCW.

**All militia members** will be required to take an oath contained in this manual, to uphold the Constitution for these united States and to protect it from all enemies without reservation and with the clear understanding that the unalienable rights of all shall be protected without reservation.

**UNIFORMS**

Any camouflage pattern (foreign or domestic). This is to include matching set of pants, blouse, and hat/head gear. During warm summer events the approved MMCW logo t-shirt may be worn in exchange for the camouflage blouse listed above.

Boots of some sort whether combat boots or hiking boots in natural colors. No steel-toed boots of any kind or cowboy boots.

**PATCH PLACEMENT**
MMCW standards are as follows: “Last name” above wearer’s right breast pocket, “M.M.C.W.” above wearers left breast pocket, a Michigan State flag (in subdued/OD green pattern) on wearer’s right shoulder, qualification nametape(s) under Michigan State flag on wearer’s right shoulder. Any specialist qualification badge is worn on wearer’s left breast pocket flap. Division and brigade patches are worn on wearer’s left shoulder. No other patches or insignias are permitted on your MMCW uniform. We are a State militia not a federal militia so the united States flag is not permitted.

LIMITATION OF AUTHORITY OF PERSONS ELECTED DURING PEACE TIME

1) ALL AUTHORITY WITHIN THE MMCW RESTS WITH THE BODY OF ITS MEMBERS, AS PRESENTED TO THE BODY BY THE BRIGADE COMMANDERS, AND AUTHORITY FLOWS FROM THE BOTTOM UP.

2) The delegated authority of Division Commanders and State Command, is limited to the collection and distribution of information.

3) Division Officers serve as administrative Liaison and serve as the public affairs officers of the division.

4) Divisional Commanders can appoint a contact person within a county that does not have a brigade.

5) Any rule or “law” that is to go forth throughout the organization will be put in writing, including changes to this manual. The directive will then be sent to all active members for review. Their ideas, comments and suggestions will be reviewed and taken into consideration. It will become official only after review and approved by at least 75% of the active members.

AUTHORITY OF PERSONS DURING WAR TIME

1) Unlike peacetime during war time all authority flows from the top down. From State Commander to Division CO’s to Brigade CO’s and downward.
2) Division Command and State Command have the authority, during wartime, to suspend or dismiss any brigade member, Brigade Commander or Division Commander, for reasons that may be found in the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) http://www.au.af.mil/au/awc/awcgate/ucmj.htm.

3) Division Officers serve as staff to the State commander. They also serve as administrative Liaison and serve as the public affairs officers of the division.

4) Divisional Commanders can appoint a contact person within a county that does not have a brigade.

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METHOD AND FREQUENCY OF STATE ELECTIONS AND DUTY TO ATTEND

1) Once per year elections shall be held for State Commanding Officer and State Executive Officer, date for elections is the 20th (twentieth) through the 30th (thirtieth) of March.

   A. Nomination will be taken February 15th (fifteenth) through February 28th (twenty-eighth). No nomination will be accepted after February 28th (twenty-eighth).
   B. Elections are held on the MMCW online forum. All active members must cast their vote during election time frame.
   C. Candidate with most votes becomes the MMCW Commanding Officer. The candidate with the second highest number of votes becomes the MMCW Executive Officer.

2) In the event a state commander is to be brought up to a vote of no confidence, all active MMCW militia members are to be informed. A vote of 2/3 of active members is needed to carry out a vote of no confidence.

5) If the MMCW C.O. position becomes vacant the X.O. has the option to fill that position or remain in their current position. If there is more than 3 months remaining in the term, a nomination period is to follow and an election for a replacement. If there is less than 3 months remaining in the term then the person
holding the C.O./X.O. position may appoint someone to fill the vacant position to finish out the remaining time. All replacement candidates must meet the prerequisites just as normal nominations and elections require.

Eligibility Requirements for State C.O. and X.O. nominees

There must be a minimum of two members that meet all the below requirements on the ballot to hold an election.

1) Have been an active member in good standing, of the MMCW for at least one (1) year.
2) Have a working knowledge of MMCW Manual/Bylaws.
3) Must be at least Level 1 qualified.

Responsibilities of State C.O. and X.O.

1) To decide on MMCW objectives.
2) To assess MMCW needs and compare those needs with actual available resources.
3) To assign responsibilities and goals to State Command Staff.
4) To deal with the press and civil authority, set press policy and ensure that the MMCW speaks with one voice.
5) To establish and maintain security and intelligence procedures.
6) To establish and maintain communications between State Command and Division Commands.
7) To organize logistics and administrative services.
8) To institute leadership training and educational programs required for promotion, qualification and advancement within the MMCW.
9) To encourage responsible recruiting.
10) Follow MMCW Manual/Bylaws and enforce them.
11) To coordinate with other civilian groups statewide, establish working relationships and parameters.

Eligibility Requirements for Division C.O. and X.O. nominees

1) Have been an active member in good standing, of the MMCW for at least one (1) year.
2) Have a working knowledge of MMCW Manual/Bylaws.
3) Must be at least Level 1 qualified.

Responsibilities of Division C.O. and X.O.

1) Establish and maintain division goals.
2) Assess division needs and compare those needs with resources available within the division.
3) Organize a qualified Division Command Staff of qualified officers and assign duties and responsibilities.
4) Establish and maintain good working relations with the Brigades comprising the division, the other active Divisions and State Command.
5) Establish Division security, intelligence and communications procedures.
6) Establish and maintain training and educational program for the Division.
7) Encourage responsible recruiting.
8) Assist in organizing structured, well-regulated, disciplined Brigades in each county.
9) Follow MMCW Manual/Bylaws and enforce them.
10) Serve personally or appoint a qualified officer from the Division to serve as Acting Commander of those counties in which there are no qualified officers until adequate personnel can be recruited & trained.

BRIGADE REQUIREMENTS

BRIGADE CLASSIFICATIONS

**Inactive** – No current members.
**Reserve** – Less than 3 current members but at least a contact person for that county.
**Active** – At least one 3-man team of current members.
**Ready** – At least one 3-man team, or more, of Militiamen/Militiawomen.

Brigades are to be coordinated at each corresponding level.

**Responsibilities of Brigade C.O. and X.O.**

1) Establish Brigade goals and objectives.
2) Assess Brigade needs and compare with available resources.
3) Establish and maintain a working relationship with contiguous active Brigades, with Division Command and with State Command.
4) Organize supply, logistical and administrative services.
5) Establish and maintain unit training, educational and leadership programs.
6) Establish contact with county Sheriffs and local governments.
7) Follow MMCW Manual/Bylaws and enforce them.

**WEAPONS**

The basic weapon of the brigade member shall be the rifle. It shall be required of all militia members to have his or her own rifle, ammunition, knife and rucksack, thus outfitted, will be kept available at all times for rapid deployment by the militia member.
Militia members are expected to carry military caliber firearms when attending militia duties. Acceptable firearms are the AR-15, AK-47, SKS, AK-74, Mini-30, or Mini-14. Preferred calibers are the 7.62x39, .223 or 5.45x39 for your MBR (Main battle rifle). Acceptable handguns calibers are the 9mm, .45 and .40. For high caliber rifles the standard is the .308 (7.62x51), 7.62x54R and the 30-06. Other military style rifles and handguns are accepted in bolt-action or semi-auto but not recommended.

TRAINING

Training is an important part of being in the militia. A person without adequate training puts the unit at risk.

Each brigade/division is to conduct or attend a minimum of 9 training exercise per year. No brigade training may interfere with any MMCW state training. Each member needs to be notified of training exercises at least 30 days prior to the actual exercise so as to prepare and make available time to attend. Each brigade/division shall provide an annual training schedule for all members, to enable members to train with other brigades/divisions.

The MMCW command staff will set up a state-wide training schedule for the entire militia with dates, times, locations and topic matter and present it to the whole militia no more then 30 days after the MMCW state elections. The MMCW Commanding Officer and Executive Officer together, or Training Officer if there is one appointed, will then design a detailed training exercise based on those topics to be covered, set by the MMCW command staff, and organize the exercise using the resources available. The MMCW will provide a minimum of 3 state wide training exercises. The state training exercises should alternate in different areas of the state, depending on resources and content to be covered, so that no brigade should have to consistently travel a long distance.

Subjects to be covered at FTX’s (Field Training Exercise’s) include, but are not limited to:

- Marksmanship
- Intelligence Gathering
- Field Tactical
- Survival Skills
- Physical Endurance/Strength Conditioning
- Weapons Safety
- CPR/First Aid
- Land Navigation
- CBRNe (Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive)
- Patrolling
To be considered an active member you must attend at least 4 FTXs per calendar year, at any level (Brigade, Division, State), with the attendance of 1 State FTX/meeting per year highly recommended.

MILITIA MEMBER OATH

Noncommissioned Members:

“I (name) do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution for “The state of Michigan” and for these united States of America against all enemies, both foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I pledge to my life, my fortunes, and my sacred honor; and that I will obey the orders of those appointed over me, for conscience sake; So Help Me God."

Commissioned Officers:

“I, (name), having been appointed an officer in the Michigan Militia Corps Wolverines, in the grade of (grade), do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution for “The state of Michigan” and for these united States of America against all enemies, both foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I pledge to my life, my fortunes, and my sacred honor; that I will take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter, So Help Me God."

CODE OF CONDUCT

I) I am an American serving with the citizen militia that guards my homeland, our Constitution, and our way of life. I am prepared to give my life in their defense.
2) I will never surrender of my own free will, if in command, I will never surrender the members of my command while they have the means to resist.

3) If am captured, I will continue to resist by all means possible. I will make every effort to escape and aid others to escape. I will accept neither parole nor special favors from the enemy.

4) If I become a prisoner of war, I will keep faith with my fellow prisoner. I will give no information or take part in any action that might be harmful to my comrades. If I am senior, I will take command. If not, I will obey the lawful orders of those appointed over me and will back them up in every way.

5) When questioned, should I become a prisoner of war, I am bound to give only name, rank and date of birth. I will make no oral or written statement disloyal to my beloved homeland and its citizens or harmful to their continued struggle for liberty and freedom as prescribed in the Constitution for these united States.

6) In all cases, I shall endeavor to instruct and to inform members of organized militia units, seeking to persuade them to join the Patriot struggle; urging them for justice and conscience-Sake to return America to the Constitutional Republic our forefathers envisioned.

7) I will never forget that I am an American, a citizen of the greatest nation on earth, lighting for freedom, responsible for my actions, and dedicated to the principles which made my country free. I will place my trust in Almighty God, the united States of America, and the goodness of her people.

**MILITIA PRAYER**

0 God, our Father, The Searcher of men’s hearts, help us to draw near to Thee in sincerity and truth. May our personal faith in Thee be filled with gladness and may our worship of Thee be natural and pure.

Strengthen and increase our admiration for honest dealing and clean thinking, and suffer not our hatred of hypocrisy and pretense ever to diminish. Encourage us in our endeavor to make us to choose the harder right instead of the easier wrong, and never be content with a half-truth when the whole can be won. Endow us with courage that is born of loyalty to all that is noble, honorable and worthy; that scorns to
compromise with
vise and injustice and knows no fear when truth and right are in jeopardy. Guide our new ties of
friendship
and new opportunities of service. Kindle our hearts in fellowship with those of a cheerful
countenance and
soften our hearts with sympathy for those who sorrow and suffer. Help us to maintain the honor
of the
Michigan Militia Corps Wolverines untarnished and unsullied, and to show forth in our lives the
ideals of this
nation's Constitution in doing our duty to Thee and to our fellow citizens. All of which we humbly
ask in the
Name of our Lord, our Great Friend and Defender, and Master of men. Amen.

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