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OPNAV INSTRUCTION 8000.16E

From: Chief of Naval Operations

Subj: NAVAL ORDNANCE MANAGEMENT POLICY

Ref: (a) OPNAV M-8000.16 of April 2012

1. Purpose. To establish responsibilities and implement policy for naval ordnance management. This revision removes detailed program management policy, responsibilities, and information which has been incorporated into reference (a). This instruction is a complete revision and should be reviewed in its entirety.
2. Cancellation. OPNAVINST 8000.16D.
3. Applicability. This instruction and reference (a) are applicable to all Navy and Marine Corps activities (with the exception of U.S. Marine Corps activities responsible for Marine Corps ground ammunition (cognizant code OT)) concerned with the acquisition and life-cycle management of Department of Defense Class V ammunition and associated equipment.
4. Background. The naval ordnance management policy is designed to achieve operational readiness and inventory management objectives, as established by the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) while promoting safety and ensuring the optimum use of manpower, facilities, material, and funds. This is accomplished through policy guidance, technical direction, and the administration of specific programs necessary to provide the naval force with those weapons and materials required to fulfill the CNO's and the Commandant of the Marine Corps' role in supporting the applicable combatant commander offensive and defensive combat capability.
5. Policy
 - a. This instruction implements reference (a), which contains Navy and Marine Corps policies, guidelines, procedures, and responsibilities for naval ordnance management. It also outlines the command, administrative, and management relationships that exist within the naval ordnance supply chain.
 - b. Reference (a) is the governing authority for the management of naval ordnance and will be the prevailing document when in conflict with other issuances.

6. Responsibilities. All echelons of command must comply with reference (a). Additionally, they are directed to develop and issue amplifying guidance and instructions as necessary to ensure personnel, materials, training programs, and facilities assigned in support of naval ordnance management are per their assigned responsibilities.

7. Records Management

a. Records created as a result of this instruction, regardless of format or media, must be maintained and dispositioned for the standard subject identification codes 1000 through 13000 series per the records disposition schedules located on the Department of the Navy/Assistant for Administration (DON/AA), Directives and Records Management Division (DRMD) portal page at <https://portal.secnav.navy.mil/orgs/DUSNM/DONAA/DRM/Records-and-Information-Management/Approved%20Record%20Schedules/Forms/AllItems.aspx>.

b. For questions concerning the management of records related to this instruction or the records disposition schedules, please contact the local records manager or the DON/AA DRMD program office.

8. Review and Effective Date. Per the OPNAVINST 5215.17A, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Ordnance Programs and Policy (OPNAV N411) will review this instruction annually on the anniversary of its issuance date to ensure applicability, currency, and consistency with Federal, Department of Defense, Secretary of the Navy, and Navy policy and statutory authority using OPNAV 5215/40 Review of Instruction. This instruction will be in effect for 10 years, unless revised or cancelled in the interim, and will be reissued by the 10-year anniversary date if it is still required, unless it meets one of the exceptions in OPNAVINST 5215.17A, paragraph 9. Otherwise, if the instruction is no longer required, it will be processed for cancellation as soon as the need for cancellation is known following the guidance in OPNAV Manual 5215.1 of May 2016.

9. Forms and Information Management Control. Forms and information collection requirements are provided in reference (a) which may be obtained from <https://www.secnav.navy.mil/doni/manuals-opnav.aspx>.



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