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From: Chief of Naval Operations

Subj: NAVY MUNITIONS DISPOSITION POLICY

Ref: (a) DoD Instruction 5160.68
(b) CNO Memo Ser N457F/452-98 (NOTAL),
Implementing the Environmental Protection Agency
Military Munitions Rule
(c) OPNAVINST 5090.1B
(d) NAVSEA OP-4 Rev 8
(e) DoD 4160.21-M-1
(f) DoD 4160.21-M
(g) NAVSUP P-724 Rev 12
(h) NAVSEA OP-5 Vol. 1, Rev 7
(i) DoDI 4140.62
(j) NAVSUP P-801

1. Purpose. To define policy, authority and responsibility for management of the Navy disposition process for excess, obsolete, unserviceable, and waste military munitions generated or received at naval activities. The disposition process includes demilitarization (DEMIL), recycling, declassification and disposal. This instruction is a substantial revision and should be reviewed in its entirety.

2. Cancellation. OPNAVINST 8026.2A

3. Background.

a. The Department of Defense (DoD) assigns the disposition of all excess and surplus materials to the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) except for ships, military munitions, and material potentially presenting an explosive hazard (MPPEH) which has not been certified "SAFE". These materials are assigned to the Military Services.

b. Per reference (a), the Secretary of the Army is designated as the Single Manager for Conventional Ammunition (SMCA). SMCA is assigned responsibility for demilitarization,

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recycling, declassification and disposal of all munitions (SMCA and non-SMCA managed) except large strategic missile rocket motors.

c. Director, Strategic Systems Programs (DIRSSP) is responsible for Navy large strategic missile rocket motor demilitarization, reclamation, declassification and disposal. Close coordination between the Navy and SMCA is essential to assure optimal use of existing capabilities, eliminate unwarranted overlap or duplication, and maintain maximum efficiency.

d. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in Subpart M of 40 CFR Part 266, specifies requirements for the management of waste military munitions. Navy has delineated these requirements in reference (b).

4. Scope. This instruction applies to all U.S. Navy activities and commands and to United States Marine Corps (USMC) activities/commands that handle Navy munitions.

5. Definitions.

a. Designated Disposition Authority (DDA): The only personnel in DoD authorized to declare unused military munitions as waste military munitions except in the case of an explosives or munitions emergency, abandoned munitions, or a declaration by the Authorized Military Official (AMO). Each Service has at least one DDA and may elect to have more (e.g., a DDA for a particular program or command). SMCA is the single DDA at the DoD level. DDAs are responsible for evaluating munitions that are excess to current requirements or otherwise no longer part of the active inventory for safety, other uses, resource recovery and recycling (R3) possibilities, and treatment.

b. Military munitions: All ammunition products and components produced or used by or for the U.S. Department of Defense or the U.S. Armed Services for national defense and security, including military munitions under the control of the Department of Defense, the U.S. Coast Guard, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), and National Guard personnel.

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The term military munitions includes: confined gaseous, liquid, and solid propellants, explosives, pyrotechnics, chemical and riot control agents, smokes, and incendiaries used by DOD components, including bulk explosives and chemical warfare agents, chemical munitions, rockets, guided and ballistic missiles, bombs, warheads, mortar rounds, artillery ammunition, small arms ammunition, grenades, mines, torpedoes, depth charges, cluster munitions and dispensers, demolition charges, and devices and components thereof. Military munitions do not include wholly inert items, improvised explosive devices, and nuclear weapons, nuclear devices, and nuclear components thereof. However, the term does include non-nuclear components of nuclear devices, managed under DOE's nuclear weapons program, after all required sanitizing operations under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, have been completed. See 40 CFR 260.10.

6. Assignment. Commander, Naval Supply Systems Command (COMNAVSUPSYSCOM) is assigned authority for the worldwide management of demilitarization, recycling, declassification and disposal of excess, obsolete, unserviceable, and waste military and foreign munitions generated at naval activities with the exception of large strategic rocket motors. COMNAVSUPSYSCOM designated the Naval Operational Logistics Support Center - Ammo (NOLSC-Ammo) to perform these functions as they apply to naval conventional ordnance. DIRSSP is assigned authority for final disposition of all ordnance items under their cognizance including large strategic rocket motors.

7. Policy. Management of excess, obsolete, unserviceable, and waste military munitions must ensure asset visibility and enhance fleet readiness. Effective management performance includes timely identification, efficient and approved environmentally safe disposal, and accurate accountability.

a. Munitions determined to be excess, obsolete, unserviceable, and/or waste military munitions generated or received at Navy activities worldwide that is designated for demilitarization shall be shipped to one of the SMCA authorized DEMIL sites as directed by the Navy DDA for conventional ordnance.

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b. In accordance with references (c), and (d), ocean dumping is prohibited and may only be authorized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and on a case-by-case basis by Chief of Naval Operations (CNO), Fleet Readiness (N43).

8. Responsibility.

a. CNO (N41) shall provide overall policy and resources to COMNAVSUPSYSCOM for the Navy Munitions Demilitarization Program.

b. CNO (N41) shall ensure that all proposed changes to environmental or hazardous waste criteria, controls or processes, which could impact the Navy's Munitions Demilitarization Program, are coordinated with the Navy Munitions Demilitarization Program Manager, the Navy Large Strategic Missile Rocket Motor Program Manager, and the Navy DDAs.

c. COMNAVSUPSYSCOM shall:

(1) Develop, issue, and implement policies and procedures for worldwide management and operations of the Navy munitions demilitarization, recycling, declassification and disposal program.

(2) Develop and submit Navy worldwide Demilitarization Program Objective Memorandum (POM) and budget to manage and process excess, obsolete, unserviceable and waste military munitions at Navy activities. With the exception of those programs associated with large strategic rocket motors, NOLSC-Ammo shall manage program funds for field activities and technical organizations in support of program requirements, and evaluate and minimize program expenses.

(3) Review and approve demilitarization and disposal plans developed as part of the integrated logistics support plans for new, converted or modified Navy munitions. Development, review and approval of demilitarization plans shall be accomplished prior to Operational Test and Evaluation (OT&E) of all new, converted or modified munitions items.

(4) Maintain close liaison with SMCA regarding demilitarization and disposal issues.

(5) Maintain a centralized inventory management system for naval munitions demilitarization, recycling, declassification, and disposal actions. The Naval Ordnance

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Information System Wholesale (OIS-W) shall provide complete asset visibility with a transaction audit trail to ensure proper accountability, management and control.

(6) Identify and confirm excess Navy ammunition items via the annual ordnance stratification with program managers and their acquisition agents.

(a) Support program managers/acquisition agents in the development of a 5-year forecast of ammunition demilitarization/disposal requirements based on anticipated obsolescence and projected delivery of replacement ordnance.

(b) In accordance with reference (a), it is an annual requirement to provide a 'DEMIL 5 year forecast' to the SMCA and Joint Munitions Command (JMC).

(7) Screen items for which the Navy no longer has use through other services and Foreign Military Sales (FMS) program customers for potential use, recycling or reclamation, prior to requesting disposition from SMCA. Provide disposition instructions to munitions custodians.

(8) Assure demilitarization, recycling, declassification and disposal of munitions and related hazardous wastes is accomplished in accordance with applicable Federal (to include host nation), State, DoD, and Service explosives safety and environmental regulations, policies and directives and maximize efficiency and resource conservation. These processes shall emphasize reduction of waste, recovery of usable parts, components and precious metals as well as maximum reuse and recycling where possible. Program operating procedures will provide specific guidance and instructions to effectively promote this policy.

(9) Develop training programs for Navy Munitions Demilitarization Program personnel.

(10) Serve as the Navy coordinator for changes to references (e) and (f), and MILSTRIP/MILSTRAP regulations, and ensure that all proposed changes, which may affect excess munitions inventory management or processing, are coordinated with the Navy Munitions Demilitarization Program Manager, the Navy Large Strategic Missile Rocket Motor Program Manager, and the Navy DDAs.

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(11) Serve as the lead Navy DDA, and define procedures for all Navy DDAs to ensure consistency in management.

(12) Provide Transportation Account Codes (TAC) for the transportation of Navy and Marine Corps assets from Marine Corps activities to designated demilitarization sites in accordance with reference (g).

d. Naval Ordnance Safety and Security Activity (NOSSA) shall develop and promulgate in reference (h), criteria for management and disposition of MPPEH, to meet the requirements of reference (i).

e. Program Managers are responsible for development of new, converted or modified munitions items containing energetic or other hazardous materials. They shall:

(1) Ensure that demilitarization and disposal considerations, waste characterization of residual components in accordance with references (c) and (i), and design for recycling are incorporated as an integral part of the acquisition logistics planning, programming and budgetary decision-making processes for all new, converted or modified munitions items.

(2) Review all munitions items for which they have technical responsibility. Ensure that munitions items are properly catalogued for all demilitarization and declassification requirements. Ensure, through NOLSC-Ammo, that Defense Logistics Services Center records are kept updated.

(3) Screen munitions items under their cognizance that are identified as potential excess munitions by the inventory managers. Intra-Navy screening of end items, subassemblies, parts and components shall be accomplished prior to declaring items excess to requirements. Program managers shall identify all requirements, including recycling of parts or components, to the inventory manager or provide written certification that no requirement exists.

(4) Provide a 5-year forecast of anticipated DEMIL requirements along with associated Service Wide Transportation (SWT) DEMIL tonnage projections to NOLSC-Ammo.

f. DDAs are required by reference (b). NOLSC-Ammo is the DDA for naval conventional ordnance assets. The NOLSC-Ammo DDA is the approval authority for the demilitarization/disposal of

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naval conventional owned assets. Exceptions would be specific ordnance commodities for which applicable DDAs are as follows:

<u>Commodity</u>	<u>DDA Responsible Office</u>
TOMAHAWK Missile System	Program Executive Officer Cruise Missiles and Joint Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (PEO (CMPANDUAV))
CAD/PAD	Program Executive Officer Tactical Aircraft (PEO (TACAIR))
Strategic Missiles	Strategic Systems Program (SSP)

DDAs shall:

(1) Ensure adequate coordination, application and interpretation of defining criteria when munitions are classified as a waste military munitions through the evaluation process contained in reference (b).

(2) Provide munitions disposition instructions for excess, obsolete, unserviceable, and waste military munitions. Munitions disposition instructions will be coordinated with appropriate entities based on the disposition involved (e.g. excess, obsolete, unserviceable, or waste).

(3) Direct appropriate action (to include but not be limited to transportation, treatment, authorization to train, etc.) based on the type of instructions required.

g. Commander, Marine Corps Systems Command Program Manager for Ammunition (COMMARCORSYSCOM PMAM) shall:

(1) Serve as the DDA for Marine Corps owned ground munitions. The Marine Corps DDA shall comply with additional guidance provided by the Marine Corps.

(2) Provide disposition instructions for assets located at Navy installations and shall provide transportation funding for those assets as required. This transfer must be consistent with procedures established by NOLSC-Ammo. Navy unserviceable, obsolete, excess, and waste munitions generated at Marine Corps activities must be referred to NOLSC-Ammo for disposition instructions.

h. Fleet Commanders shall:

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(1) Ensure that all units generating potentially excess, obsolete, unserviceable, and waste military munitions obtain required coordinated disposition instructions from the appropriate DDA. Requests for disposition shall follow the process described in reference (g).

(2) Ensure that all munitions stored at Navy activities are managed in accordance with references (b) and (j).

i. Director, SSP shall manage and administer the demilitarization, recycling, and final disposition of ordnance items under its cognizance in accordance with applicable safety, environmental, and treaty requirements.

9. Action. All military members and civilian employees of the Department of the Navy shall comply with the regulations contained in this instruction and give this instruction the widest possible dissemination.



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