

**California Cadet Corps  
Organizational Colors and  
Guidons**

State of California Military Department  
Joint Force Headquarters  
Sacramento, California  
17 November 2018

**UNCLASSIFIED**

# ***SUMMARY of CHANGE***

CR 1-12

California Cadet Corps Organizational Colors and Guidons

\*This is a minor revision of a previously published regulation. It includes the redesignation of 10th Corps from 10th Brigade, and adds a graphic depiction of the logo that goes on the guidon.

---

## CALIFORNIA CADET CORPS ORGANIZATIONAL COLORS AND GUIDON

---

DAVID S. BALDWIN  
*Major General*  
*The Adjutant General*

Official:



GRACE E. EDINBORO  
*Colonel, CACC*  
*Executive Officer*

---

**History.** This regulation is a minor revision to a previously published regulation.

**Summary.** This regulation describes the design and use of organizational colors and guidons for brigades, regiments, and units of the California Cadet Corps (CACC).

**Applicability.** This regulation applies to all schools currently maintaining membership in the CACC.

**Proponent and exception authority.** The proponent of this regulation is the Executive Officer, CACC. The proponent has the authority to approve exceptions or waivers to this regulation that are consistent with controlling law and regulations. The

proponent may delegate this approval authority, in writing, to a field-grade man- day staff officer or State Projects Officer. Activities or units may request a waiver to this regulation by providing full justification that includes a full analysis of the expected benefits. All waiver requests will be endorsed by the senior commandant officer of the requesting activity or unit and forwarded through their higher headquarters to the policy proponent.

**Supplementation.** Supplementation of this regulation and establishment of command and local forms are prohibited without prior approval, in writing, from the Executive Officer, California Cadet Corps. Send a draft copy of each supplement to – Youth Programs, California Cadet Corps, ATTN: Executive Officer, Building 1301, Camp San Luis Obispo, CA.

**Suggested improvements.** Users are invited to send comments and suggested improvements in memorandum form directly to the address listed above.

**Distribution.** This publication is available in electronic media only and is intended for all levels of the California Cadet Corps organization and is authorized for public distribution. Printed copies of this publication may be provided, within budget limitations, at the discretion of the Joint Force Headquarters.

---

**Table of Contents** (Listed by paragraph and page number)

**Chapter 1**

- 1-1. Authority, *page 1*
- 1-2. Organizational Colors Defined, *page 1*
- 1-3. Guidon Defined, *page 1*
- 1-4. Responsibility, *page 1*
- 1-5. Use of Organizational Colors, *page 1*
- 1-6. Use of the Guidon, *page 2*
- 1-7. Specifications for the CACC Organizational Colors, *page 2*
- 1-8. Specifications for the CACC Guidon and Streamers, *page 3*
- 1-9. Summer Camp / 10<sup>th</sup> Corps Unit Guidons, *page 3*

# **CHAPTER 1**

## **GENERAL**

### **1-1. AUTHORITY.**

a. Section 510 of the California Military and Veterans Code says in part that “The Adjutant General may issue to the California Cadet Corps necessary cap and collar ornaments and chevrons, training aids, insignia of rank and of the California Cadet Corps, awards and decoration, flags, colors, guidons, standards, slings and carrying devices, canteens and covers, belts, first aid packets, mess kits, shelter halves, haversacks, and such other military property or equipment in the control of the Adjutant General as may not be required for the National Guard or other state military forces or other military purposes.

b. AR 840-10 specifies the policies for the use of flags and guidons. Nothing in this regulation should be construed to be in conflict with the provisions of that regulation.

### **1-2. ORGANIZATIONAL COLORS DEFINED.**

The California Cadet Corps Organizational Colors refers to the official flag of the California Cadet Corps. It is symbolic of the spirit and tradition of the California Cadet Corps. Only the official design of the flag is authorized.

### **1-3. GUIDON DEFINED.**

A guidon is a unit identification marker approved by the Headquarters of the California Cadet Corps. Guidons are authorized for platoons, companies, battalions, and the headquarters company of a regiment or brigade. Only guidons in accordance with the design provisions of this regulation are authorized.

### **1-4. RESPONSIBILITY.**

Headquarters, California Cadet Corps, will, within budgetary limitations, provide an organizational color with ferule (pole) and spear finial (flagstaff head) to each Brigade. As additional funds permit, each school will receive an organizational color with ferule and spear finial. Headquarters, California Cadet Corps, will, within budgetary limitations, provide a guidon, ferule, and spear finial to each school, regimental headquarters, and brigade headquarters. Individual schools are responsible for purchase of additional company or platoon guidons, ferules, and spear finials.

### **1-5. USE OF ORGANIZATIONAL COLORS.**

a. The CACC Organizational Colors may be displayed at official meetings and on ceremonial occasions and in the offices of the CACC Headquarters, Brigade, Regimental or school-level Headquarters.

b. The CACC Organizational Colors may be displayed in the classroom(s) where CACC instruction takes place.

c. The CACC Organizational Colors may be carried as part of a four-person Color Guard with the CACC Colors to the marching left of the National Color.

d. The CACC Organizational Colors may be carried as part of a five-person Color Guard with the CACC Colors to the marching left of the National Color and the California Colors.

e. The CACC Organizational Colors may be displayed against a wall or in an auditorium, meeting hall, or chapel in a position to the left of the speaker or chaplain (as the speaker or chaplain is facing the

audience). It shall always be displayed to the left of the California flag if the National Color, California Colors, and CACC Colors are displayed simultaneously.

f. Unserviceable CACC Colors should be destroyed, preferably by burning.

g. The CACC Organizational Colors may not be used for other than official purposes nor may they be used in any manner which shows irreverence or disrespect to the flag or the California Cadet Corps.

#### **1-6. USE OF THE GUIDON.**

a. CACC guidons will be carried in accordance with FM 3-21.5, Appendix H. Whenever practical, it will be present at all unit formations.

b. Guidons will be carried by units in parades and reviews and displayed near places of instruction and official functions as directed by the cadet commander.

c. Streamers recognizing Superior Unit and Unit Community Service Awards may be attached below the spearhead to the flagstaff. Units at the brigade or lower echelon may adopt streamer designs in accordance with the specifications of this regulation. Such streamers are authorized to recognize achievements at the subordinate unit and may either be permanent or “rotating award” streamers.

#### **1-7. SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE CACC ORGANIZATIONAL COLORS.**

The CACC Organizational Colors shall meet the following specifications.

a. The flag is alike on both sides. Design elements appear on both sides of the flag and show on the opposite side as if printed through the material, except that letters and numerals will read from left to right on both side.

b. Flags will be made of rayon banner cloth or heavyweight nylon with yellow-gold rayon fringe on three sides when used for indoor display or parades. When used primarily for outdoor display, flags will be made of nylon-wool or heavyweight nylon without fringe.

c. Flags will either be four-foot four-inch hoist by five-foot 6-inch fly OR three-foot hoist by 4-foot fly. CACC organizational colors should never be displayed or carried with National or State Colors that are larger in dimension.

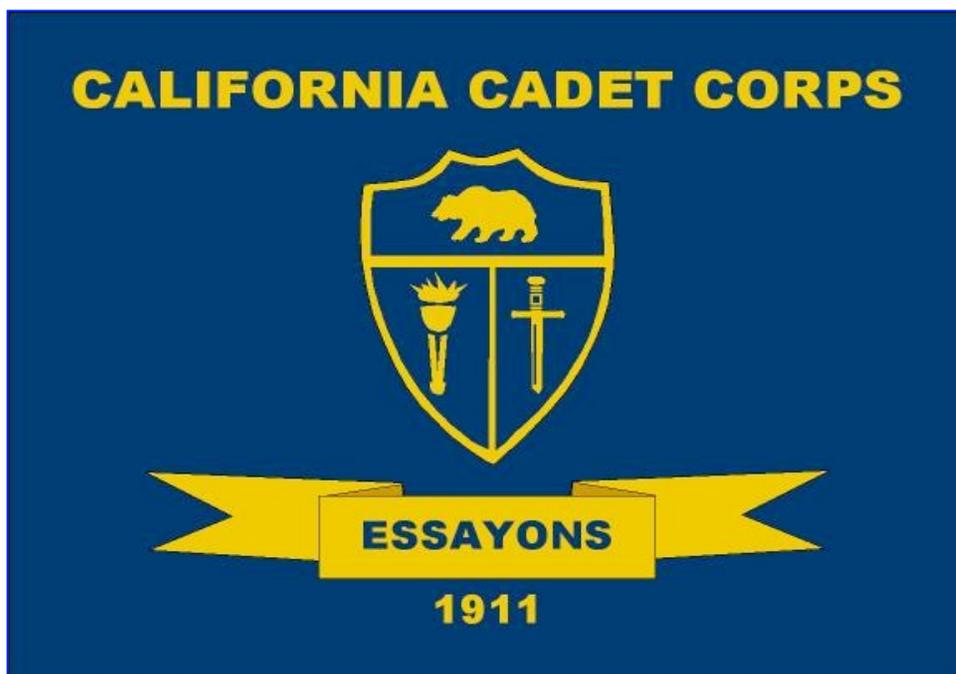


Figure 1: CACC Organizational Color Design

d. A gold cord 8-foot 6-inch in length with a tassel at each end is attached at the center of the cord below the finial on the staff of the four-foot four-inch by five-foot six inch CACC Organizational Colors only. Such cord is only attached when both the National and State Colors also have cords and tassels attached.

e. The CACC Organizational Color is blue with the CACC distinctive unit insignia (DUI) is centered thereon. A yellow-gold scroll inscribed in royal blue lettering, "ESSAYONS" is centered beneath the DUI and the yellow-gold numerals "1911." The words, "CALIFORNIA CADET CORPS" in yellow-gold are centered between the DUI and the top of the flag. (See figure 1)

f. Streamers are never attached to the finial of the CACC Organizational Colors.

g. The blue color is Pantone Matching System (PMS) Color 282 (or similar color approved by HQCACC). The yellow gold color is PMS Color 116 (or similar color approved by HQCACC).

## 1-8. SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE CACC GUIDON AND STREAMERS.

The CACC Guidons shall meet the following specifications.

a. The guidon is a swallow-tailed unit marker, 20-inch hoist by a 27-inch fly, the swallow-tail end forked ten inches. Fringe is not used on guidons. The guidon is navy blue (PMS Color 282 or similar color approved by HQCACC) with gold lettering and insignia (PMS Color 116 or similar color approved by HQCACC).

b. Guidons are made of bunting cloth or nylon.

c. The ferule (flagstaff) is 8 feet and the spearhead is the only permissible finial.

d. The CACC "Corps" (branch) insignia (10" x 11") will be centered vertically and centered horizontally between the left edge and the point of the cut out). The insignia will appear on the opposite side as if printed through the material. Letters and numerals will read from left to right on each side of the guidon. Letters and numbers are 2 ½ inches high. This insignia is depicted in Figure 2.

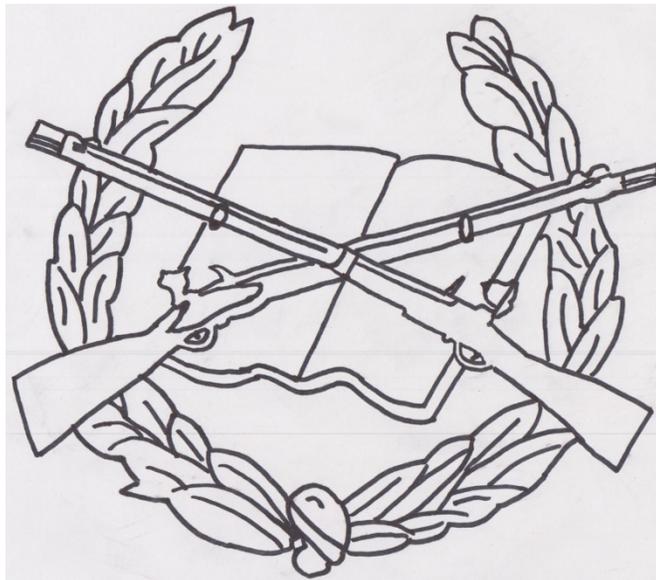


Figure 2: CACC "Corps" (branch) Insignia

e. Brigade or regimental numbers will appear in the top right of the swallow-tail. Battalion numbers will appear centered above the "Corps" (branch) insignia. Company letters will appear centered below the "Corps" (branch) insignia). Platoon numbers or the letters HHC to denote a brigade or regimental headquarters company will appear at the bottom right of the swallow-tail. In general, CACC guidons will be read from top right counter clockwise, with brigade or regiment number in the top right, battalion number at top center, company letter at bottom center, and platoon number at bottom right.

f. See figures below for examples of Brigade, Regimental, Battalion, Company, and Platoon guidons.  
g. Brigades and regiments may opt for guidons at Brigade Events with lettered or numbered unit identifiers (for instance OCS, 2nd platoon). See figure 9 for an example of a Brigade or Regimental event unit guidon.

h. Superior Unit, Unit Community Service and other streamers for guidons are one and three-eighths inch hoist by two-foot fly. Letters and numerals are 5/8 inch high. In even numbered school years, Superior Unit Streamers will be yellow-gold with royal blue lettering. In odd numbered school years, Superior Unit Streamers will be royal blue with yellow-gold lettering (using PMS colors specified in 1-7(g) above). In even numbered school years, Unit Community Service Streamers will be scarlet (PMS Color 186) with white lettering. In odd numbered school years, Unit Community Service Streamers will be white with scarlet (PMS Color 186) lettering.

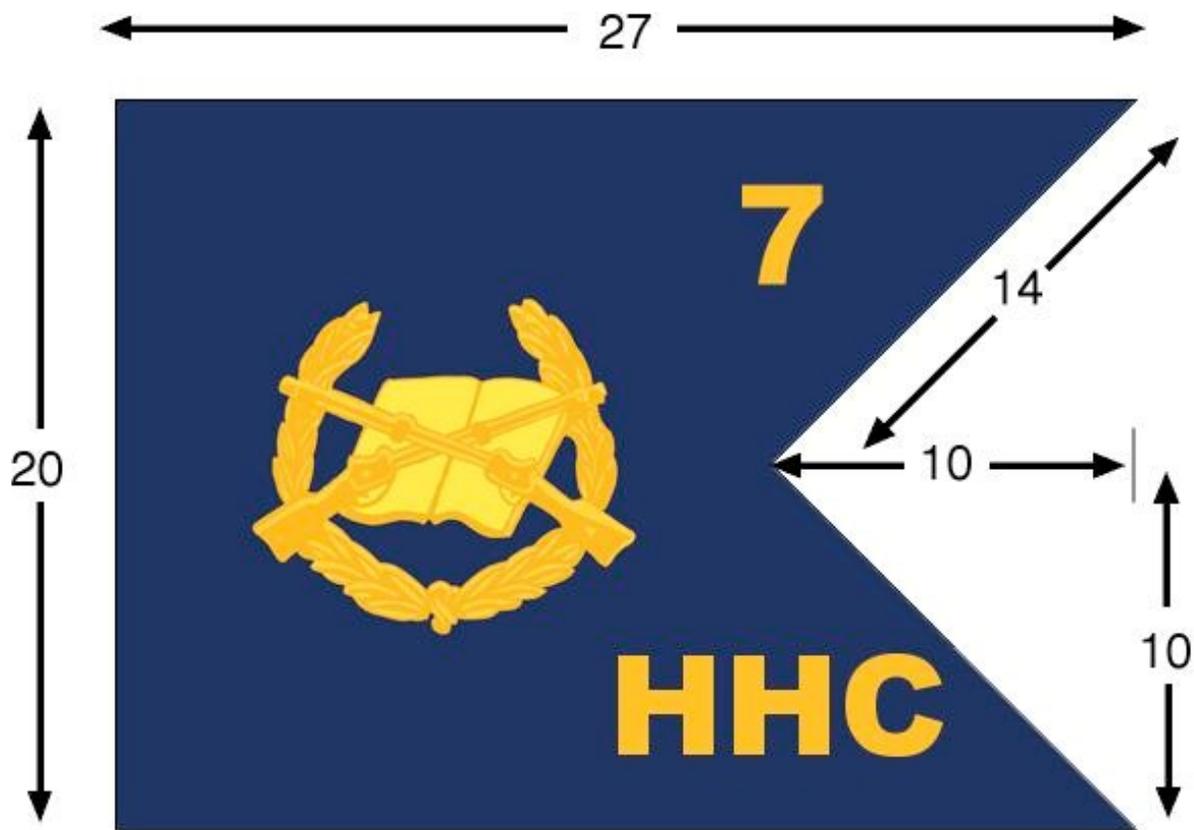


Figure 3: 7th Brigade Headquarters Company Guidon

### 1-9. SUMMER CAMP/10<sup>TH</sup> CORPS UNIT GUIDONS.

Summer Camp and 10<sup>th</sup> Corps Unit guidons may be developed in a variety of colors which include the “Corps” insignia and are based on Summer Camp Standard Operating Procedures.

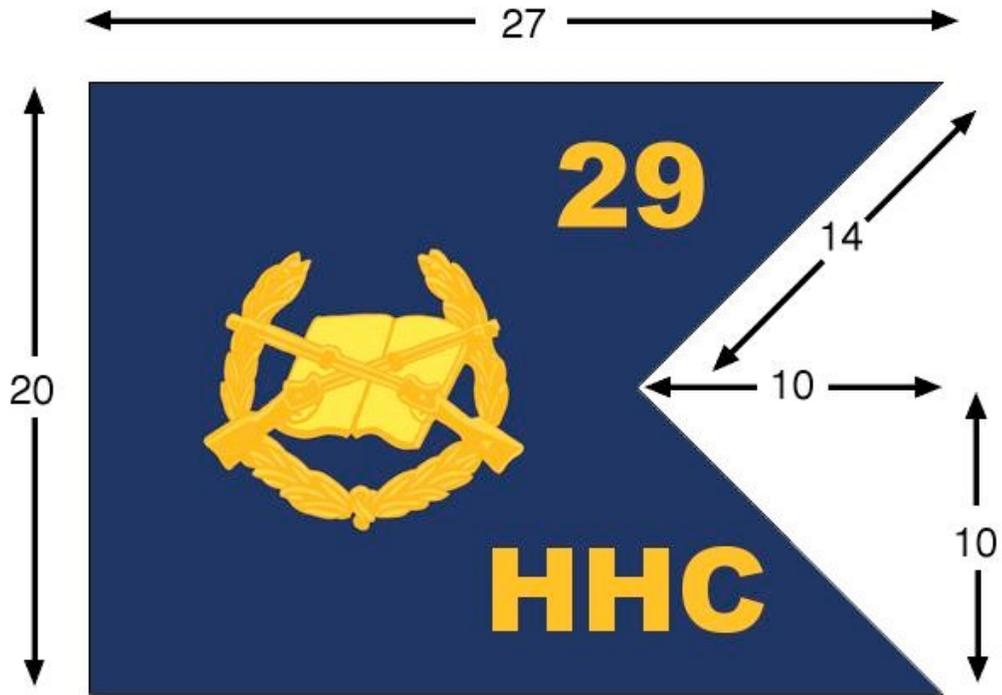


Figure 4: 29th Regimental Headquarters Company Guidon

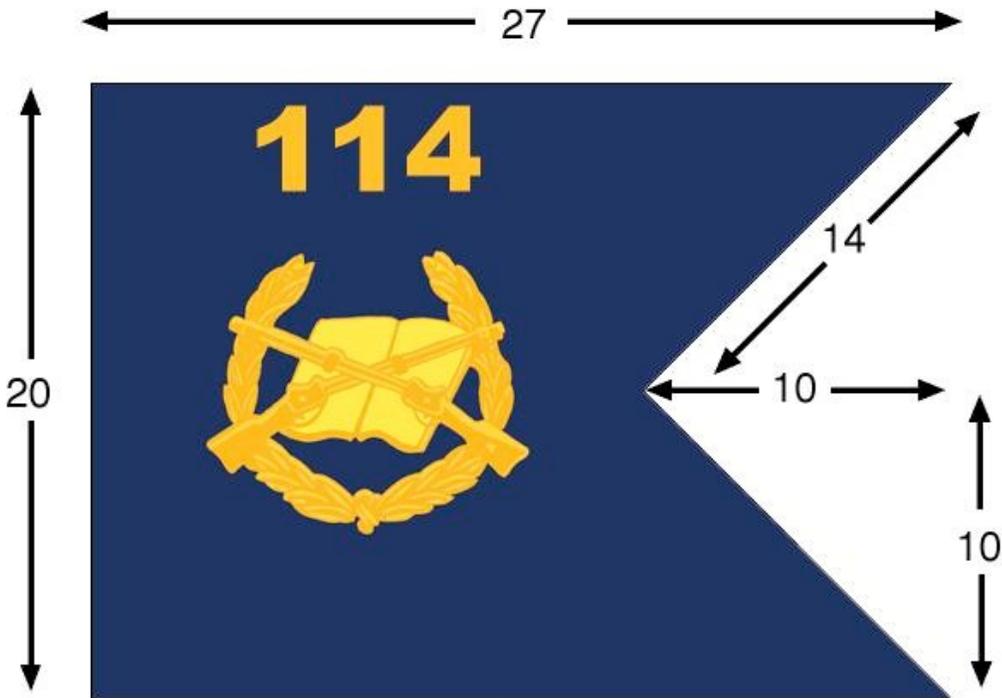


Figure 5: 114th Battalion Headquarters Guidon

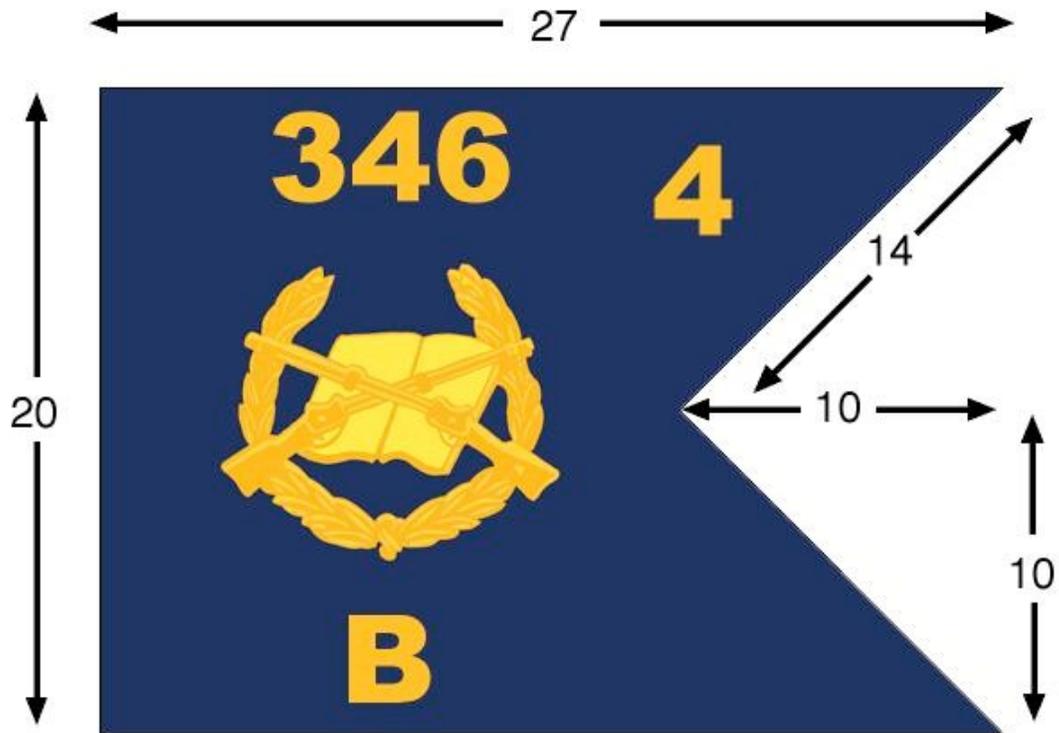


Figure 6: 346th Battalion, Bravo Company Guidon (with 4th Brigade identifier included)

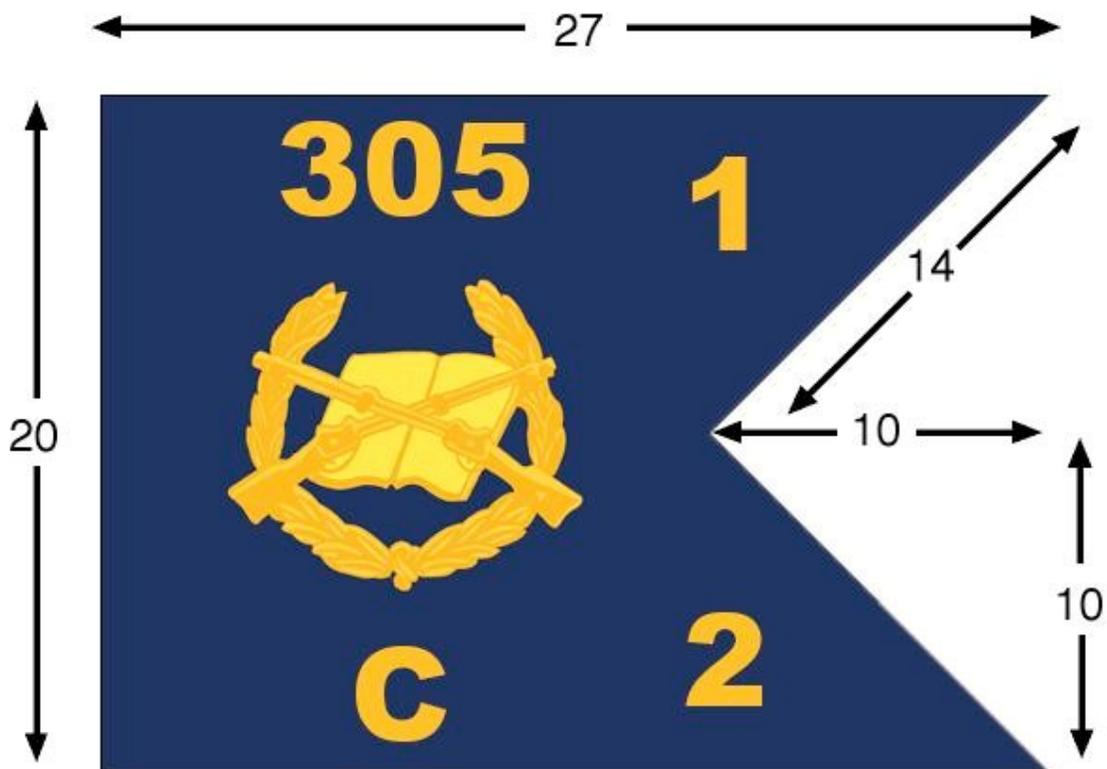


Figure 7: 305th Battalion, Charlie Company, 2nd Platoon (with 1st Brigade identifier included)

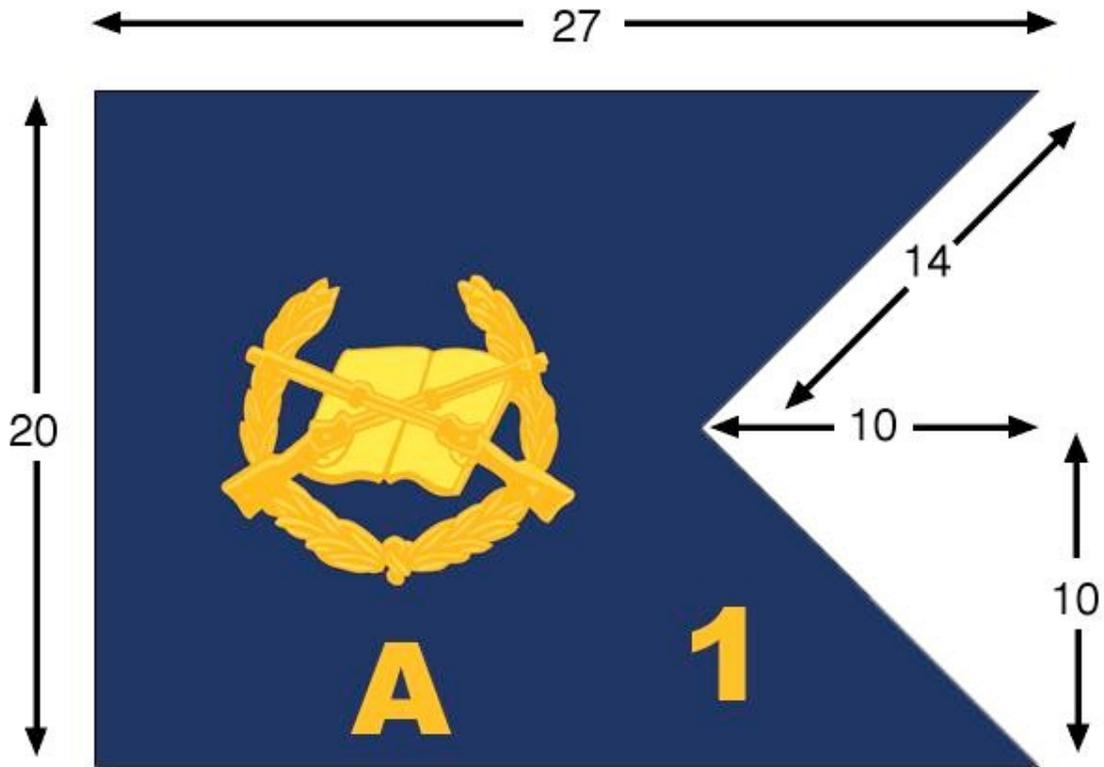


Figure 8: Generic Alpha Company, 1st Platoon Guidon

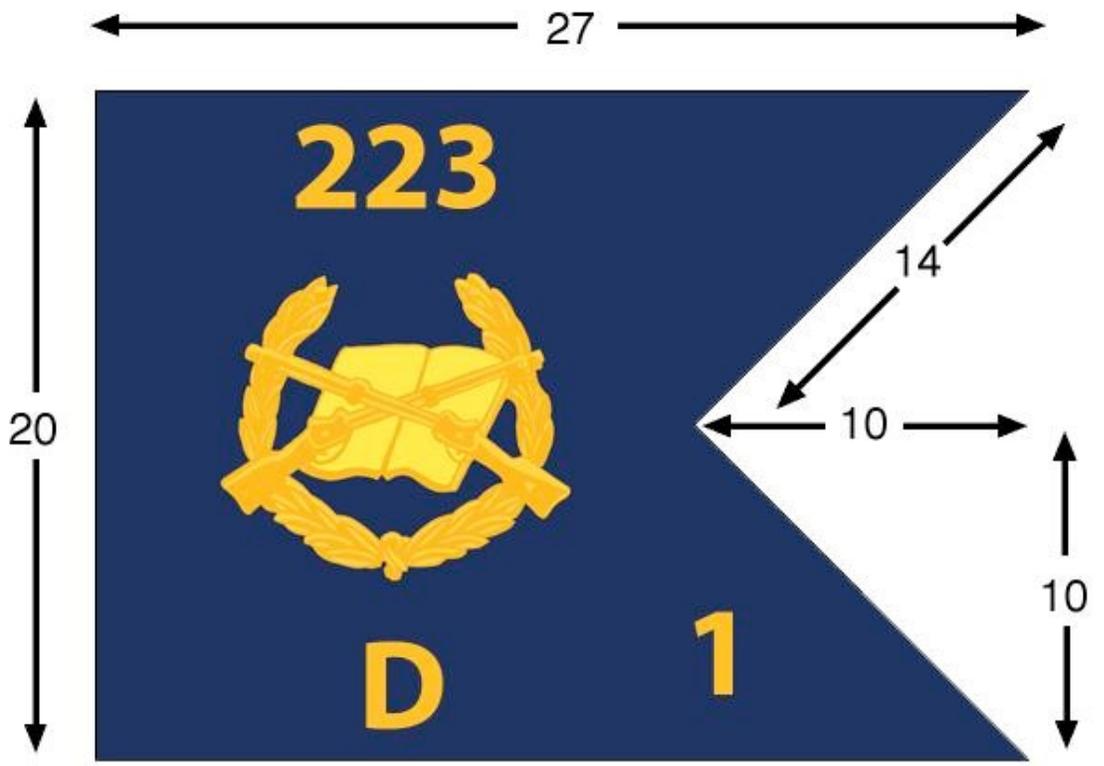


Figure 9: 223rd Battalion, Delta Company, 1st Platoon Guidon

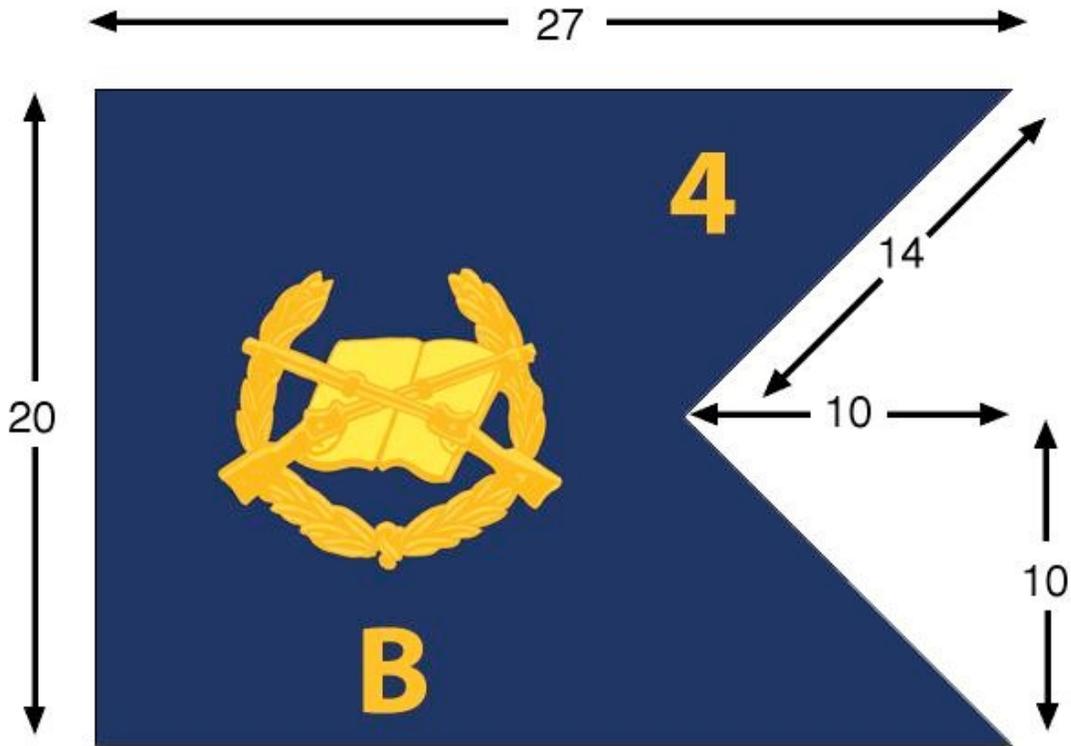


Figure 10: 4<sup>th</sup> Brigade Event Company Level Unit Guidon for Bravo Company