26th Infantry "Yankee" Division



WWII Historical Re-enactment Group

Soldier Training

Corporal Test:

Must have a Minimum of 3 years in the organization, One year at the rank of PFC grade 6.

The requirement for all Corporal Candidates are to familiarize themselves with the FM 21-100, perform quarterly training, Squad Organization and Tactics as

applied to the WWII soldier.

Tests are given in three phases,

Phase-1, The historical fact relating to the Yankee Division from periods 1942-45. Found in Unit History

Phase-2, Military Drill & Ceremony and Manual of Arms (Instructing as well as performing). Found in FM 21-100

Phase-3, Technical Knowledge of equipment, weapons, tactics and basic leadership as required of junior non commissioned officers. Q&A Given by NCO Staff

Example:

- Dates the Yankee Division engaged the enemy, Command structure of the Division
- Deployment of squad members, title of squad members and positions.

Where to find Information,

A. The FM 21-100 soldiers Manual Dated 1941/42

The quarterly training consists of classes on and examples of all types of equipment as found in:

B. Henri-Paul Enjames "US Army European Theater of Operations Collectors Guide".

C. " US Army Uniforms of WWII" by Shelby Stanton.

D. A Practical application of Drill and Ceremony from the "NEW Infantry Drill Regulation" United States Army dated 1941.

E. A practical application with the unit weaponry on the rifle range. Consolidating live fire and weapons cleaning with all the weapons used by an "Infantry

Company" excluding the Rocket Launcher's (Bazooka) and Mortar's (60MM & 81MM). Troops are required to learn the weapons, disassemble / reassemble.

Our scope is to train and educate our Re-enactors just as the US Army National Guard has done from it inception through WWII.

.http://www.army.mil/cmh/books/wwii/7-8/7-8_21.htm#p520 for Required Historical Knowledge. This information will also apply to the Sergeants festing.

- 1. Rank and Grade testing during training events only:
- A. January Training Event's:

Testing for Corporal available for qualified Troops.

B. April Training Event's:

Testing for Sergeant (Assistant Squad Leader/ 1944 TO&E) Testing for Sergeant available for qualified Troops.

C. July Training Event's:

Testing for Staff Sergeant (Squad Leader / 1944 TO&E) Testing for Staff Sergeant Available for qualified Troops.

D. October Training Event's:

Testing for Private First Class, Required for all Privates with a minimum of 365 days in the Yankee Division Historical Re-enactment Group.

- 2. Technician Grades (T/3, T/4 & T/5) Testing Based upon Knowledge Skills and Abilities:
- A. WWII Military Vehicle Owner/Driver's January Training Events.
- B. Communications Equipment Owners and Operator's April Training Events
- C. Technical Operations & Preparations Specialties July Training Events
- D. Heavy Weapons Owner/Operator's October Training Events

Special Note:

The availability of Grades and Ranks within the organization is ultimately up to the unit Commander.

* Positions will be filled by the direction of the Unit Commander.

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