

AMPHIBIOUS RECONNAISSANCE CORPSMAN



Amphibious Reconnaissance Corpsman (ARC):

COURSE MISSION STATEMENT: The Amphibious Reconnaissance Corpsman Course is designed to provide Fleet Marine Force (FMF) Corpsman, Navy Enlisted Classification Code (NEC) 8404, with basic instruction and training in effectively identifying diving casualties and performing medical functions as a recompression chamber inside tender. This course is part of the FMF Reconnaissance Corpsman (NEC 8427) training pipeline. FMF Corpsman (NEC 8404) are awarded the NEC 8427 upon successful completion of the five courses in the training pipeline: Basic Reconnaissance Training Company (BRTC), USMC Combatant Diver (MCD), Amphibious Reconnaissance Corpsman (ARC), Basic Airborne (JUMP), and FMF Reconnaissance Technician Special Operation Combat Medic (SOCM).

SCOPE:

The ARC course provides instruction in basic diving physics, advanced diving medicine, medical administration & medications, dangerous marine life, emergency recompression, hyperbaric medicine, human anatomy, patient evaluation, diagnostic testing, neurological examinations, and diagnosis & treatment of diving medical abnormalities.

The course will also provide refresher training to qualified Marine Combatant Divers.

After completion of Phase 1-6. Navy Corpsman holding the NEC 8404 will be awarded the NEC 8427. All other personnel will be able to perform as a qualified inside tender.

OCCUPATIONAL TRAINING PIPELINE:

1. NEC 8404 Fleet Marine School graduate
2. Basic Reconnaissance School MOS (0321) 9 WEEKS. All assigned

Marines and NEC 8404 must have graduated.

3. Marine Combatant Dive School 7 WEEKS.

4. Amphibious Reconnaissance Corpsman Course (6 weeks)

5. US Army Special Operations Combatant Medic 18D Short course 24 WEEKS.

6. US Army Basic Airborne School 3 WEEKS. Sailors possessing NEC 8404 Will be awarded NEC 8427.

7. US Army Special Operations Combat Medic 18D ADSOCM 24 WEEKS.

Sailors

holding the NEC 8427 will be awarded NEC 8403.

PREREQUISITES:

The ARC Candidate must be a volunteer and be recommended by their Commanding Officer. Candidate must be a graduate of The Basic Reconnaissance Course and Marine Combatant Dive School. Candidate must be physically qualified IAW Diving Advisory 13-03. Candidate must meet all applicable requirements IAW the Manual of the Medical Department Article 15-102, (NAVMED P-117) chapters 15-102 & 15-105, change 140, and MILPERSMAN 1220-100. Candidate must conform to Navy Physical Standards IAW OPNAVINST 6110.1 Series.

***NOTE:** Job Sheet 1.1, Navy Diver Physical Screening Test is required for NEW STUDENTS at NDSTC. Students who are attending Amphibious Reconnaissance Corpsman directly after attending Marine Combatant Diver are not required to complete Job Sheet 1.1.

Course Overview

- Daily Physical training to include completion of ARC Job Sheet DMMP-PT.1.1 and diver Screening Test, Job Sheet PT.1.1.
- Familiarization with anatomy, respiratory, circulatory systems, and physiology of the ears.
- Familiarization of diving disorders for barotraumas, vertigo, pulmonary overinflation syndromes, and decompression sickness.
- Perform neurological examinations.
- Familiarization of treatment tables.
- Diagnose diving related accidents and injuries.
- State the treatments of diving related accidents and injuries.
- Familiarization with recompression chambers.
- Operate Navy-approved recompression chambers.
- Familiarization with emergency procedures as inside tender for recompression chamber operations.
- Familiarization with neurological examinations.

NOTE: UNIFORMS For 8427 candidates see USMC Diver. For non 8427 candidates camouflage utilities and UDTs.

TAD Students:

a. Navy personnel are not allowed to attend the ARC course TAD. The only Navy personnel allowed to attend the course are Corpsman enrolled in the NEC 8427 training pipeline.

b. Personnel from other Department of Defense services or other Federal Government agencies wishing to attend the course should contact the following numbers for further information:

- 1) ARC Office: 850-636-6176
- 2) NDSTC Medical: 850-235-5218

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