

**MUSKET PROFICIENCY OF OPERATION & SAFETY FORM
FIRST DIVISION, ANV**

Member Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Unit: _____
Battalion: _____

Provisions for certification:

Each recruit/member of their respective unit must exhibit a proficiency in basic safe musket handling, loading, firing, miss-fire procedures, and maintenance. These proficiencies must be witnessed from each of the normal firing positions encountered during drill and battle scenarios. This proficiency cannot be exhibited without firing a minimum of twenty (20) standard blank cartridge rounds in the following prescribed positions. Recruits/members may complete these in any order as directed by the supervising individual(s). It is suggested that, where possible, recruits/members be placed into rank and file and rotated. In this manner front and rear firings can occur together. ***The testing of these proficiencies must be completed on an annual basis. Recommended to be completed by the first event of the year for the recruit/member.***

Supervising individual will initial the blank beside each category as it is successfully completed by the unit's recruit/member.

1. _____ 2 rounds "Load in nine times" and fire from the Front Rank.
2. _____ 2 rounds "Load in nine times" and fire from the Rear Rank (observe appropriate foot and barrel placement).
3. _____ 2 rounds fire Front Rank - Left Oblique.
4. _____ 2 rounds fire Rear Rank - Left Oblique (observe appropriate foot and barrel/muzzle placement).
5. _____ 2 rounds fire Front Rank - Right Oblique
6. _____ 2 rounds fire Rear Rank - Right Oblique (observe appropriate foot and barrel/muzzle placement).
7. _____ 2 rounds Fire by File from the Front Rank
8. _____ 2 rounds Fire by File from the Rear Rank (observe appropriate foot and barrel/muzzle placement).
9. _____ 2 rounds Kneeling
10. _____ 2 rounds Prone (Optional)
11. _____ Does the individual know the appropriate action in case of miss-fire and repeated miss-fire?
12. _____ Would you as the certifying witness feel safe with this person firing over YOUR shoulder?

*Additional rounds may be expended at the direction of the certifying Officer/NCO. Please make a record of what positions and to what purpose on the rear of this form.

I, _____, have been instructed on and understand the safe procedure of basic musket handling, loading, firing, miss-fire procedures, and maintenance of the rifle musket as well as the importance of safety while using a firearm during drill, firing, or anytime in the presence of the public. Furthermore, I understand my responsibility and liability that are associated with the use of black powder firearms and all attachments that may be used with them.

Member's Signature **Date**

Parental Signature (Required for 16 thru 17 yrs of age) **Date**

This form is to be witnessed and completed by either the Unit's Commanding Officer or designee on site.

Certifying Officer/NCO: _____

Event Location: _____ **Date:** _____

Form is to be signed by Battalion Commander/Designee and copy on file with Adjutant. Adjutant must send a copy of the completed form to the Chief of Staff within 30 days of receiving the form.

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Battalion Commander/Designee: _____
Date:_____