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GENTEXT/REMARKS/1. Purpose. The Deputy Commandant for Combat Development and Integration (DC, CD&I), and the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Warfighting Requirements and Capabilities (DCNO, N9) are pleased to solicit nominations for the annual Expeditionary Warfare Excellence Awards (EWEA).

The EWEA recognizes those Marines and Sailors who have distinguished themselves through exceptional performance while serving in an expeditionary warfare assignment and have significantly influenced the future of naval expeditionary warfare and amphibious capabilities, doctrine and training through innovative concepts, leadership, and teamwork.

The EWEA ceremony will take place at the 2025 Marine Corps Association Combat Development Dinner on or around 21 August 2025.

1.a. Inclusive dates for the awards are 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024.

1.b. The EWEA features four awards: Marine Corps Expeditionary Warfare Officer of the Year (CWO3-CWO4, O3-O4), Marine Corps Expeditionary Warfare Staff Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year (E6-E7), Navy Expeditionary Warfare Officer of the Year (CWO3-CWO4, O3-O4), and Navy Expeditionary Warfare Enlisted Sailor of the Year (E6-E7). This awards program is applicable to the Active and Reserve components of the United States Marine Corps and the United States Navy.

1.c. An awards board convened by CD&I and OPNAV N9 will recommend eminently qualified packages for DC, CD&I approval. The award winners will be announced via NAVADMIN.

2. Action

2.a. Commands with personnel meeting the criteria are highly encouraged to submit nominations via the first O-6 in the chain of command to the POC listed in this message.

2.b. Nomination packages must be received no later than 11 April 2025.

2.c. Nomination packages shall be sent electronically via email and will include one file in Microsoft Word format and one file in Portable Document Format (PDF) per nominee. The subject line should read: "Calendar Year 2024 EWEA ICO Rank/Name", nomination packages will include the following:

2.c.1. A nomination letter from the first O-6, at a minimum, in the chain of command.

2.c.2. Unit point of contact to include phone number and email address.

2.c.3. Phone number and email address for each nominee.

2.c.4. A summary of performance that provides a concise resume of qualifications, including the billet description and significant contributions, not to exceed two pages using 12-pitch courier new font.

2.c.5. A biography of the nominee.

2.c.6. A proposed citation not to exceed 10 typewritten lines using 12-pitch courier new font.

3. CD&I will fund travel for the individual awardee while the Marine Corps Association will fund travel for one guest per award winner to attend the Combat Development Dinner for the presentation of the award. Every effort shall be made by local commanders to ensure the presence of the awardee at the ceremony. Individuals other than the awardee and their guest who desire to attend must do so at their own expense.

4. Ensure widest dissemination of the contents of this message.

5. Release authorized by Vice Admiral James E. Pitts, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Warfighting Requirements and Capabilities.//

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