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References: ATP 3-28, ATP 4-02.5, FM 4-01, FEMA POD Operations Guide

OPERATIONAL PLAN / ORDER #012 / CODE NAME: "HURRICANE DELTA POD OPS"

CADRE / OPFOR NOTES

Complexity: Moderate | **Recommended Phase:** WALK (Blocks 2-3), RUN (Day/Night Iterations)

Mission Summary: 1st Platoon is tasked to establish and operate a Point of Distribution (POD) at a designated location in Bay County to distribute emergency supplies to affected civilians in support of Hurricane DELTA relief operations.

Destination: Designated POD site in Bay County, FL (school parking lot, church, or similar large paved area).

Actions on Objective: Platoon will establish POD site, set up traffic flow pattern, distribute emergency supplies (water, ice, MREs, tarps) to affected civilians, maintain supply accountability, coordinate resupply, and transition or close POD on order.

Training Focus: This OPORD emphasizes logistics, crowd/traffic management, supply accountability, and interaction with distressed civilians. Tests leadership under sustained operations with continuous civilian contact. Good for static training iterations.

Evaluation Timeline: For evaluated iterations, candidates will receive this OPORD and have 75 minutes to complete TLP Steps 1-8 before SP. Execution window is 90 minutes (simulated). AAR is 15 minutes.

OPFOR/Training Wrinkles:

- Supplies running low before scheduled resupply (prioritization decisions).
- Aggressive or desperate civilians demanding more than allocation.
- Civilians without vehicles (walk-up distribution requests).
- Media presence requesting interviews or filming operations.
- Local officials requesting priority distribution for specific groups.
- Medical emergency at POD site (heat casualty, diabetic emergency, etc.).
- Requests exceeding distribution limits (large families, group homes).
- Language barriers with non-English speaking civilians.
- Rumors spreading about POD closure causing crowd surge.
- Vehicle breakdown in distribution lane blocking traffic flow.
- Power outage affecting any electronic tracking/communication.
- Other agencies (Red Cross, FEMA, church groups) arriving to coordinate or set up adjacent.
- Civilian complaints about wait times or distribution amounts.
- Suspected fraud (same vehicle returning for additional supplies).

NOTE: This is a DSCA operation. Security awareness is important due to high-value supplies and stressed civilian population, but there is no enemy threat.

See Also: DSCA Operations Overview

Time Zone Used Throughout the Plan/Order: EASTERN STANDARD TIME

Task Organization:

1st Platoon, A Co. 4th BN-211th INF (POD Element) Platoon Leader (Command Post) Platoon Sergeant (Distribution Point Supervisor) 1st Squad - Distribution Team #1 2nd Squad - Distribution Team #2 3rd Squad - Traffic Control/Security

Attached: 3x LMTV (supply transport), 1x HMMWV (command/control)

1. SITUATION

a. Area of Interest

Bay County, Florida. Hurricane DELTA made landfall 72-96 hours ago. Emergency supplies have arrived at the Bay County Staging Area. Points of Distribution are being established throughout the affected area to provide relief supplies directly to civilians.

b. Area of Operations

1. Terrain. The POD site is located at [designated location - school, church, or large parking area] in Bay County. The site features a large paved area suitable for vehicle traffic flow, with defined entry and exit points. Surrounding area includes residential neighborhoods and commercial areas affected by hurricane damage.

- **Key Terrain:** POD site (the decisive terrain), entry control point, distribution point, exit lane, staging area for supply vehicles, command post location.

2. Weather. Post-hurricane conditions: Clear to partly cloudy, temperature 80-90°F, humidity 70-80%. Heat casualties are a concern for both Soldiers and civilians. Ensure hydration and shade when possible.

c. Civil Considerations

Civilians in the area are stressed, without power, and in need of basic supplies. Many have been without adequate food, water, or ice for 3-4 days. Expect high demand and emotional civilians. Some may be aggressive or desperate. Others may be elderly, disabled, or have special needs. Media may be present. Other relief organizations may be operating nearby.

1. Population. POD is expected to serve approximately 500-1000 households during operational hours. Expect diverse population including elderly, families with children, disabled individuals, and non-English speakers.

2. Expectations. Civilians expect fair, efficient distribution. Long wait times or perceived unfairness may cause frustration. Clear communication about distribution limits and procedures is essential.

3. Special Needs. Some civilians may have medical conditions, mobility limitations, or language barriers. Be prepared to accommodate reasonable requests while maintaining fairness.

d. Friendly Forces

1. Higher Headquarters: A Co. 4th BN - 211th INF, supporting the Florida National Guard Joint Task Force - Hurricane DELTA.

2. Mission. A Company operates multiple POD sites in Bay County to distribute emergency relief supplies to affected civilians.

3. Commander's Intent. Distribute supplies fairly and efficiently to maximize the number of households served. Treat all civilians with dignity and respect. Maintain accountability of supplies. Coordinate with other agencies as needed. Report issues and needs to enable resupply and support.

e. Attachments and Detachments

None.

2. MISSION

1st Platoon establishes and operates a Point of Distribution at [designated location] in Bay County NLT ____ to distribute emergency relief supplies to affected civilians in support of Hurricane DELTA relief operations.

3. EXECUTION

a. Commander's Intent

1. Commander's Intent. 1st Platoon operates a fair, efficient POD that maximizes the number of households served while treating all civilians with dignity and respect.

2. Purpose. The purpose of this operation is to distribute emergency relief supplies to civilians affected by Hurricane DELTA, providing immediate assistance and demonstrating effective military support to civil authorities.

3. End State. POD is established and operational, supplies are distributed fairly and efficiently, supply accountability is maintained, and the platoon is prepared for continued operations or transition.

b. Concept of Operations

1st Platoon establishes a POD using the drive-through distribution method. Traffic control personnel manage vehicle entry and flow. Distribution teams issue supplies to each vehicle according to established limits. The command post coordinates operations, supply accountability, resupply requests, and reporting. The platoon operates the POD during designated hours, distributes supplies until depleted or ordered to close, and maintains security of supplies and personnel throughout.

c. POD Layout and Traffic Flow

- **Entry Control Point:** Single entry point with traffic control. Verify civilian vehicles, provide instructions.
- **Holding Area:** Vehicle queue lane leading to distribution point.
- **Distribution Point:** Supplies staged for rapid issue. 2 distribution teams operating simultaneously.
- **Exit Lane:** One-way exit to prevent return traffic.
- **Command Post:** Central location for coordination, accountability, and reporting.
- **Supply Staging Area:** Resupply vehicles stage here; supplies moved to distribution point as needed.
- **Walk-Up Area (if established):** Separate area for civilians without vehicles.

d. Scheme of Fires

Not applicable (DSCA operation).

e. Tasks to Subordinate Units

1. 1st Squad (Distribution Team #1):

- **TASK:** Operate distribution point lane #1, issue supplies to civilians according to established limits, maintain supply accountability using tally sheets, and report supply status to the command post.
- **PURPOSE:** Distribute supplies fairly and efficiently while maintaining accountability.

2. 2nd Squad (Distribution Team #2):

- **TASK:** Operate distribution point lane #2, issue supplies to civilians according to established limits, restock distribution point from staging area as needed, and assist with walk-up distribution if established.
- **PURPOSE:** Distribute supplies fairly and efficiently while maintaining continuous operations.

3. 3rd Squad (Traffic Control/Security):

- **TASK:** Manage traffic flow at entry control point and throughout POD site, maintain security of supply staging area, respond to disturbances or emergencies, and assist with crowd management as needed.
- **PURPOSE:** Ensure smooth traffic flow, maintain security, and respond to incidents.

f. Coordinating Instructions

1. Distribution Limits (per household):

- Water: 1 case (24 bottles)
- Ice: 2 bags (if available)
- MREs: 1 case (12 meals)
- Tarps: 1 per household (if available)

2. Distribution Procedures:

1. Greet civilian, verify household (no ID required, honor system).
2. Issue supplies according to limits.
3. Mark tally sheet for each distribution.
4. Direct civilian to exit lane.
5. If supplies depleted, inform civilian of other POD locations or next resupply time.

3. Special Situations:

- Large families (6+): May issue additional water and MREs (PL discretion).
- Group homes/shelters: Coordinate with PSG for bulk distribution.
- Walk-up civilians: Serve in separate area if established; otherwise, provide reduced allocation that can be carried.
- Returning vehicles: Note but do not confront; report pattern to PL.

4. Civilian Interaction Guidelines:

1. Be professional, courteous, and patient.
2. Explain distribution limits clearly.
3. Do not argue with civilians; refer complaints to PL/PSG.
4. If civilian becomes aggressive, do not escalate; call for assistance.
5. Treat all civilians with dignity regardless of behavior.

5. Media Interaction:

1. Be professional and continue duties.
2. Refer all interview requests to PL.
3. Do not speculate or provide unofficial information.
4. PL coordinates any media interaction with higher headquarters.

6. Medical Emergencies:

1. Stop distribution in affected area.
2. Provide first aid if trained.
3. Call 911 if available; request support from higher.
4. Designate Soldier to meet emergency responders.
5. Resume operations when safe.

7. Supply Accountability:

- Initial inventory upon receipt.
- Tally sheets maintained at each distribution point.
- Hourly supply status reports to command post.
- End of day inventory and report.

8. Reporting:

- **POD Operational Report:** Upon completing setup.
- **Hourly Status Report:** Distribution count, supply status, issues.
- **Incident Report:** Any security, medical, or significant events.
- **End of Day Report:** Total distributed, supplies remaining, issues, recommendations.

9. POD Operating Hours:

- Setup: NLT _____
- Distribution begins: _____
- Distribution ends: _____ (or when supplies depleted)
- Breakdown/transition: On order

10. This OPORD is effective immediately upon distribution.

4. SUSTAINMENT

a. Logistics

1. Supplies: Initial load delivered by LMTV convoy. Resupply coordinated through Company TOC.
2. Fuel: Vehicles maintain minimum half tank; refuel at staging area.
3. Meals: Soldiers eat MREs during breaks (not from distribution supplies).
4. Water: Soldiers maintain hydration from separate supply (not distribution stock).
5. Equipment: Tally sheets, markers, traffic cones, signs, tables.

b. Health System Support

1. First aid kit at command post.
 2. Combat lifesaver on site.
 3. Shade and water available for heat casualty prevention.
 4. Emergency: Stabilize, call 911, report to higher.
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5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

a. Command

1. Platoon Leader at command post (overall POD operations).
2. Platoon Sergeant supervises distribution point operations.
3. Succession of Command: PL, PSG, 1st SL, 2nd SL, 3rd SL.

b. Control

1. Command Post: Central location at POD site.

2. Report to Company TOC.

c. Signal

1. PACE Plan:

- Primary: Radio FH NET ID 601
- Alternate: Cell phone
- Contingency: Frequency 47000 single channel plain text
- Emergency: Runner

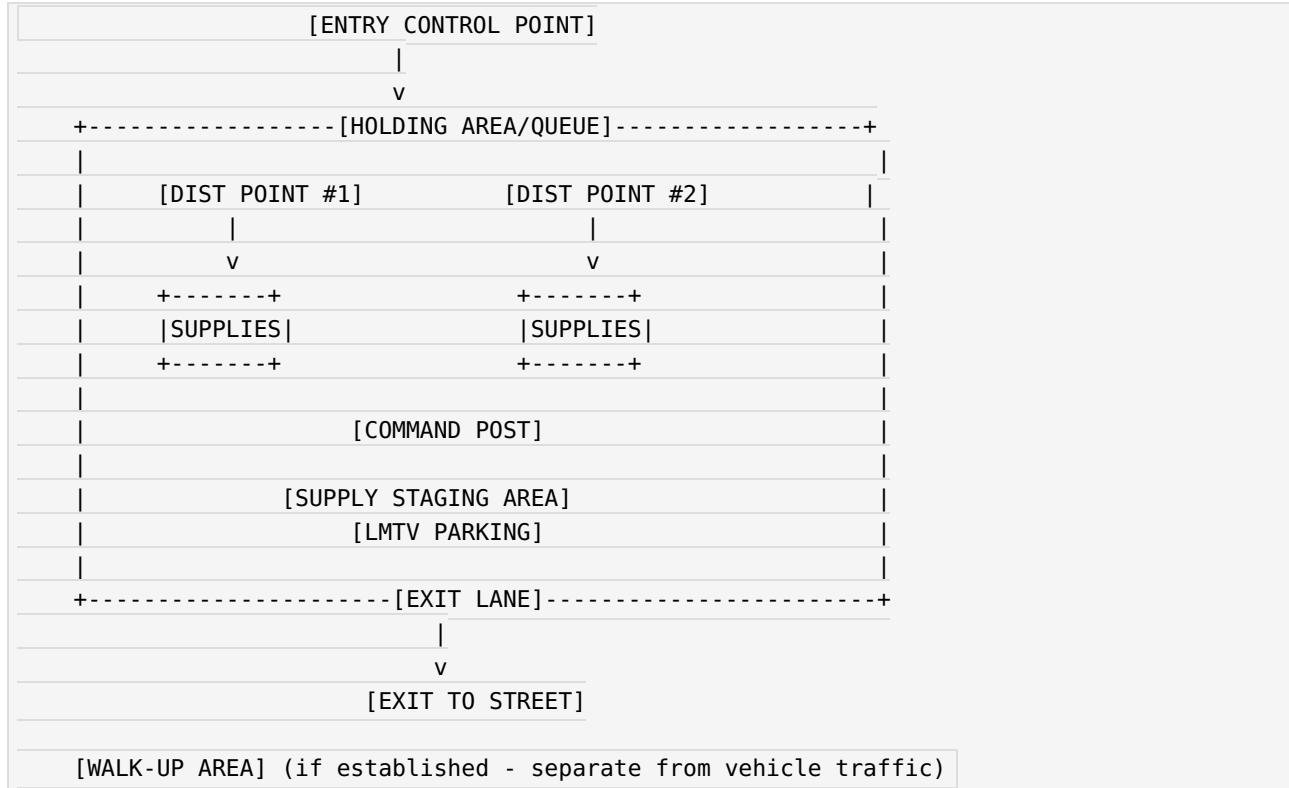
2. Call Signs:

- PL - Delta 1-6
- PSG - Delta 1-7
- Distribution Team #1 - Delta 1-1
- Distribution Team #2 - Delta 1-2
- Traffic Control - Delta 1-3

3. Internal POD Communications:

- Hand signals for traffic control.
- Whistle: 1 blast = attention; 3 blasts = emergency/stop operations.
- Runner for non-urgent coordination.

ANNEX A: POD SITE LAYOUT DIAGRAM



ANNEX B: POD TALLY SHEET

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Time	Water (cases)	Ice (bags)	MREs (cases)	Tarps	Notes

Hourly Totals:

- Hour 1: ____ households served
- Hour 2: ____ households served
- Hour 3: ____ households served

Daily Total: ____ households served

Supplies Remaining:

- Water: ____ cases
- Ice: ____ bags
- MREs: ____ cases
- Tarps: ____

Issues/Notes:

ANNEX C: POD SETUP CHECKLIST

1. Site Preparation:

- Entry point identified and marked
- Exit point identified and marked
- Queue lane established
- Distribution points established
- Command post established
- Supply staging area established
- Walk-up area established (if applicable)

2. Traffic Control:

- Traffic cones placed
- Signs posted (ENTRY, EXIT, POD OPEN, etc.)
- Traffic control personnel positioned
- Barriers/cones to prevent wrong-way traffic

3. Distribution Points:

- Tables/staging area set up
- Initial supplies staged
- Tally sheets and markers ready
- Distribution teams briefed on limits and procedures

4. Communications:

- Radio check completed
- Cell phones charged

- Contact information for higher headquarters current

5. Safety:

- First aid kit positioned
- Water and shade available for Soldiers
- Emergency procedures briefed
- 911 contact confirmed (if available)

6. Accountability:

- Initial supply inventory completed
 - Tally sheets prepared
 - Reporting schedule confirmed
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