	Marching to the Rea

INFORMATION

The next movement, which I will name, explain, have demonstrated, and which you will conduct practical work on, is marching to the rear. This movement is used to change the direction of a marching element 180 degrees in a uniform manner. The command for this movement is Rear, MARCH. Rear, MARCH is a two-part command. Rear is the preparatory command and MARCH is the command of execution. When given, this command is as follows: **Rear, MARCH.**

Demonstrator, POST. I will use the STEP-BY-STEP method of instruction.

NOTE: I have posted my demonstrator in the forward march position as this movement can only be executed while marching forward with a 30-inch step.

The preparatory command Rear of Rear, MARCH, is given as the right foot strikes the marching surface. The command of execution MARCH of Rear, MARCH, is given the next time the right foot strikes the marching surface.

On the command of execution STEP of Ready, STEP, execute a 30-inch step forward with the trail foot. When that foot strikes the marching surface, the demonstrator will receive the preparatory command Rear of Rear, MARCH. Ready, STEP. Rear.

On the command of execution STEP of Ready, STEP, execute a 30-inch step forward with the trail foot. This is the intermediate step required between the preparatory command and the command of execution. **Ready, STEP.**

On the command of execution STEP of Ready, STEP, execute a 30-inch step forward with the trail foot. When that foot strikes the marching surface, the demonstrator will receive the command of execution MARCH of Rear, MARCH. Ready, STEP. MARCH.

On the command of execution STEP of Ready, STEP, execute a 30-inch step forward with the trail foot. This is the additional step required after the command of execution. **Ready, STEP.**

On the command of execution STEP of Ready, STEP, pivot 180 degrees to the right on the balls of both feet, and step off in the new direction taking a 30-inch step with the trail foot. Do not allow the arms to swing outward while turning. **Ready, STEP.**

For instructional purposes, on the command of execution STEP of Ready, STEP, bring the trail foot alongside the lead foot and assume the position of attention. **Ready, STEP. RE-FORM.**

At normal cadence, this movement would look as follows: Forward, MARCH. Rear, MARCH. Demonstrator, HALT. AT EASE.

What are your questions pertaining to this movement when executed at normal cadence or using the STEP-BY-STEP method of instruction?

Demonstrator, ATTENTION. You will now become my assistant instructor. FALL OUT.

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