PERFORMANCE MEASURES: Left Shoulder Arms From Order Arms and Order Arms From Left Shoulder Arms

INFORM ATION

The next movements, which I will name, explain, have demonstrated, and which you will conduct practical work on are left shoulder arms from order arms and order arms from left shoulder arms. Left shoulder arms is used as an alternate carry position for the carbine. Order arms is used to return the carbine to the position of order arms. The commands for these movements are Left Shoulder, ARMS and Order, ARMS.

Left Shoulder, ARMS and Order, ARMS are two part commands. Left Shoulder and Order are the preparatory commands. ARMS is the command of execution. When given, these commands are as follows: Left Shoulder, ARMS. Order, ARMS.

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

Left shoulder arms from order arms is a four count movement. On the command of execution ARMS of Left Shoulder, ARMS, execute Port Arms in two counts. By-the-numbers, Left Shoulder, ARMS. Ready, TWO.

On count three, release the grasp of the left hand and without moving the head, place the carbine on the left shoulder with the right hand with the sights up, keeping the right elbow down. At the same time, regrasp the carbine with the left hand with the heel of the butt between the first two fingers and with the thumb and forefinger touching. The left forearm is horizontal, and the left upper arm is against the side and on line with the back. **Ready, THREE.**

On count four, move the right hand to the right side as in the Position of Attention. Ready, FOUR.

Order arms from left shoulder arms is a four count movement. On the command of execution ARMS of Order, ARMS, this being count one, move the right hand up and across the body and grasp the small of the stock, keeping the right elbow down. **Order**, **ARMS**.

On count two without moving the head, release the grasp of the left hand and, with the right hand, move the carbine diagonally across the body, sights up, about 4 inches from the waist. At the same time, regrasp the handguard just forward of the slip ring with the left hand, and resume Port Arms. **Ready, TWO.**

Counts three and four are executed the same as from Port Arms. Ready, THREE. Ready, FOUR. Left Shoulder, ARMS. Ready, TWO. Ready, THREE. Ready, FOUR. Order, ARMS. Ready, TWO. Ready, THREE. Ready, FOUR.

At normal cadence, these movements would look as follows: Without-the-numbers, Left Shoulder, ARMS. Order, ARMS. AT EASE.

What are your questions pertaining to these movements when executed at normal cadence or using the BY-THE-NUMBERS method of instruction?

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