



Small Craft Company

Headquarters Battalion
Second Marine Division



PURPOSE

- Mission
- Who and What we are
- Equipment
- Theater Support
- Unit Strengths
- Unit Challenges



MISSION/METL

Small Craft Company Mission

- Provide direct fire support, logistics support, troop lift, and limited command & control in support of mobile riverine force operations, and to support LF6F MEU(SOC) deployments.
- Provide Riverine Combat Support for Division Operations.





MOBILE RIVERINE FORCE

A MRF is a combined arms MAGTF, potentially reinforced with USA, USN, and USCG forces, that is specially manned, equipped and trained to introduce and maintain conventional forces into a riverine or coastal area environment.



ORGANIZATION



Small Craft
Company
10/251/3

Small Craft Company is the Marine Corps only operational unit dedicated to supporting conventional operations in a Riverine Environment.

Maintenance
Plt

RAC Plt
7 RAC's x 2

Lift Plt
65 RRC's
(Inf Bn (-) Lift)

LF6F
Support
Plt

Small Craft
Maintenance

Comm/Nav
Maintenance

Command/
Logistics
Element

Raider Section
21 RRC's x 3

MEU Det.
20 CRRC's
40 Engines



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Task Organization (1984H)

Officers:	10
Staff NCO's:	21
Enlisted:	188
Navy Enlisted:	2
Totals:	10/209/2

12 Separate MOS's



Riverine Assault Craft (RAC)



Mission: To provide direct fire support and limited Command & Control.

Length: 34 ft. 11 in. **Width:** 9 ft. 3 in. **Weight:** 16,500 lbs

Max Payload: 5,000 lbs

Draft: 9 in. when planning (On step)

Engine: (2) 300 hp Cummins turbo-charged diesel engines with twin Hamilton pump jets.

Range: 200 + Nautical Miles **Speed:** 35 - 40 Knots

Comm: VHF/UHF/HF/SATCOM/Marine Band



Total Number of Craft

17

(with Trailers)



Rigid Raiding Craft (RRC)



Mission: To provide troop lift & logistical support.
Length: 18 ft. 6 in. Width: 7 ft. Weight: 3,100 lbs
Max Payload: 3,010 lbs
Max Personnel: 10
Draft: 18 - 21 in. when planning (On step)
Engine: Twin 70 hp Johnson Outboards
Range: 70 Nautical Miles Speed: 25 Knots
Comm: VHF(Man pack)



Total Number of Craft

65

(with Trailers)



Combat Rubber Reconnaissance Craft (CRRC)



Mission:	To provide over the horizon clandestine insertion of reconnaissance raid and landing forces.
Length:	15 ft. 5 in. Width: 6 ft. 3 in. Height: 23 in.
Max Payload:	2,500 lbs
Max Personnel:	8 (2 Coxswains, 6 Combat loaded Marines)
Engine:	Single 55 hp Small Craft Propulsion System (SCPS) Outboards
Range:	36 Nautical Miles Speed: 12 Knots (Fully loaded)



Total Number of Craft
100



VEHICLE ASSETS

M998 HMMWV

Purpose: Transport personnel, equipment, and material.

Performance: Fully loaded - climb road grades as steep as 60% (31 deg) and traverse a side slope up to 42% (22deg).

Range: 337 miles (Cruising speed)



Company Strength: 12



VEHICLE ASSETS

MK23 7-Ton

Purpose: Transport troops, equipment, cargo payloads, and pull trailers of up to 28,000 lbs.

Performance: Fully loaded - achieves a max speed of 55 mph cross country, 63 mph hwy. Capable of fording 60 inches of water.

Range: Loaded and with a loaded trailer in tow: 400 miles



Company Strength: 12



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SUPPORT TO THEATER COMMANDERS



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Deployment Support

USTRANSCOM

- C-5/C-17/C-141

MEF Assets

- C-130

“Standard” detachment (~55 Marines)

- (6) RRC, (4) RAC, (4) Trucks
- 2x C-5, 4x C-17



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SOUTHERN COMMAND

UNITAS Deployments

- (5) CRRCs/(5) RRCs
- (3-5) personnel

CinC sponsored Bilateral Training Exercises

- Argentina
- Paraguay/Bolivia



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SOUTHERN COMMAND

Counter-Drug (CD) Programs:

(Personnel Augmentation)

- Riverine Training Teams (RTT's)
- Joint Planning Assistance Teams (JPAT's)

II MEF Force Provider for USSOUTHCOM



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EUROPEAN COMMAND

LF6F Support:

- 20 CRRC's to each MEU(SOC)
- 7 Marines
- Coxswain/Mechanical expertise to BLT Raid Company



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MPF Off-load/Force Protection Capability

- Port Security
- Harbor Security



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ATLANTIC COMMAND

Cooperative Osprey

Quarterly JTFEX's

Unified Endeavor/Fuertas Defensas

Bi-Lateral Training: RNLMC; RMC



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Unit Strengths

- Self Sustaining Structure
- Operational Experience through RTT's, DFT's and Det's.
- SOTG/SCCo Relationship



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Unit Challenges

- Maintenance
 - Logistical support
 - Mechanics per number of boats
- Personnel
 - Lack of experienced coxswains (ie...EAS/PCS/PCA)
 - T/O implementation