

**ACTIVATION OF REVISED OFFICER BLOCK 2 (OB2) AND ENLISTED BLOCK 3 (EB3)
CULTURE COURSES FOR THE REGIONAL, CULTURE, AND LANGUAGE
FAMILIARIZATION (RCLF) PROGRAM**

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REF/A/DOC/MROC DM 38-2012//

REF/B/DOC/MCSCP, SIGNED 21 MAY 2014//

REF/C/DOC/MARINE CORPS LREC STRATEGY 2016-2020, SIGNED DEC 2015//

REF/D/MARADMIN/232332ZOCT12//

REF/E/MARADMIN/091921ZAPR13//

REF/F/MARADMIN/091817ZMAY14//

NARR/REF A ESTABLISHED RCLF AS A RECOGNIZED MARINE CORPS PROGRAM.
REF B DIRECTS THE REGIONAL ORIENTATION OF THE OPERATING FORCES. REF
C DIRECTS DEVELOPING A LANGUAGE, REGIONAL EXPERTISE, AND CULTURE
(LREC) CAPABILITY FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSE FORCE. REF D ANNOUNCED THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RCLF PROGRAM. REF E ANNOUNCED THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RCLF PROGRAM FOR THE RESERVE COMPONENT. REF F
ANNOUNCED THE ACTIVATION OF THE INITIAL SUITE OF HEADSTART2 LANGUAGE
PROGRAMS.//

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GENTEXT/REMARKS/1. Background. The Regional, Culture, and Language
Familiarization (RCLF) Program is the Marine Corps career long
distance learning program for developing a Language, Regional
Expertise, and Culture capability in the general purpose force. The
RCLF Program was established by reference A, further supported by
references B and C, with administrative requirements as outlined in
references D, E, and F.

2. Curriculum Update.

2.A. The Officer Block 2 (OB2) and Enlisted Block 3 (EB3) curriculum have been updated and will be activated on MarineNet on 30 September 2016. Marines currently enrolled in any regions OB2 or EB3 curriculum should receive an automated notice via email from MarineNet and will have until 30 September 2016 to finish the old curriculum before being automatically disenrolled. Alternatively, Marines may individually disenroll from the old curriculum to reenroll in the updated curriculum. Partial completion of the old OB2 or EB3 curriculum will not be transferred towards completing the new curriculum. Marines who already completed the old version of the OB2 or EB3 RCLF curriculum will still be considered as RCLF complete in grade without having to complete the newly updated curriculum, though will have the option to access the updated materials if they so choose.

2.B. The updated curriculum has a different format with downloadable files: a read me document with guiding questions to aid study, an Operational Culture General reading, and regional readings in PDF, ePub, and Mobi formats. There is also a short, computer based training called Reading the Cultural Landscape.

2.C. Student Assessments: The updated OB2 and EB3 curricula have three separate sub-tests. The first covers Operational Culture General and reading the Cultural Landscape, the second with questions covering chapters 1 through 5 of the regional reading, and the third covering chapters 6 and 7 of the regional reading.

2.D. End of Course Evaluation: Completing a course survey is required before MarineNet will note the course as complete in the Marine Corps Total Force System and the Basic Information Record (BIR).

3. Assignments. An individual Marines RCLF assignment code can be found in MOL on the BIR under Service Information. Marines who are responsible for completing RCLF courseware but do not have a RCLF region assigned should contact the POC to request regional assignment. Marines who wish to request consideration for a change of regional assignment should do so by submitting a RCLF Region Change Request form, found on the Center for Advanced Operational Culture Learning (CAOCL) public website at [HTTPS\(COLON\)\(DOUBLEBACKSLASH\) WWw.MCU.USMC.MIL/CAOCL/SITEPAGES/RCLF.ASPX](https://www.marines.mil/CAOCL/SITEPAGES/RCLF.ASPX), to

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4. Additional Information and Contacts.

4.A. CAOCL, 2076 South Street, Bldg 711, Quantico, VA 22134, (703) 432-1504

4.B. Frequently asked questions at:

[HTTPS://WWW.MCU.USMC.MIL/CAOCL/SITEPAGES/FAQ.ASPX](https://www.mcu.usmc.mil/caocl/sitepages/faq.aspx)

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