1ST COMBAT ENGINEER BATTALION

1941 – 1949

ACTIVATED 24 FEBRUARY 1941 AT GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA, AS 1ST ENGINEER BATTALION, 1ST MARINE DIVISION

RELOCATED DURING APRIL 1941 TO PARRIS ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA

RELOCATED DURING SEPTEMBER 1941 TO NEW RIVER, NORTH CAROLINA

DEPLOYED DURING JUNE 1942 TO WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND

REDESIGNATED 12 JANUARY 1943 AS 1ST BATTALION, 17TH MARINES, 1ST MARINE DIVISION

REDESIGNATED 30 JUNE 1944 AS 1ST ENGINEER BATTALION, 1ST MARINE DIVISION

PARTICIPATED IN THE FOLLOWING WORLD WAR II CAMPAIGNS

GUADALCANAL
EASTERN NEW GUINEA
NEW BRITAIN
PELELIU
OKINAWA

DEPLOYED DURING SEPTEMBER 1945 TO TIENTSIN, CHINA

RELOCATED DURING JUNE 1947 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA
1950 – 1964

DEPLOYED DURING AUGUST 1950 TO KOBE, JAPAN, AND REASSIGNED TO 1ST PROVISIONAL MARINE BRIGADE

REDEPLOYED DURING SEPTEMBER 1950 TO INCHON, KOREA, AND REASSIGNED TO 1ST MARINE DIVISION

PARTICIPATED IN THE KOREAN WAR, SEPTEMBER 1950 – JULY 1953, OPERATING FROM

PUSAN PERIMETER
INCHON-SEOUL
CHOSIN RESERVOIR
EAST-CENTRAL FRONT
WESTERN FRONT

PARTICIPATED IN THE DEFENSE OF THE KOREAN DEMILITARIZED ZONE, AUGUST 1953 – APRIL 1955

RELOCATED DURING APRIL 1955 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

REDESIGNATED 1 MAY 1957 AS 1ST PIONEER BATTALION, 1ST MARINE DIVISION

REDESIGNATED 1 MAY 1963 AS 1ST ENGINEER BATTALION, 1ST MARINE DIVISION

1965 – 1989

REDEPLOYED DURING SEPTEMBER 1965 TO CAMP HANSEN, OKINAWA, JAPAN

REDEPLOYED DURING JANUARY 1966 TO CHU LAI, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

PARTICIPATED IN THE WAR IN VIETNAM, JANUARY 1966 – APRIL 1971, OPERATING FROM

CHU LAI
DA NANG

RELOCATED DURING APRIL 1971 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION NEW ARRIVALS, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA, APRIL-NOVEMBER 1975

REDESIGNATED 31 MARCH 1976 AS 1ST COMBAT ENGINEER BATTALION, 1ST DIVISION SUPPORT GROUP

REASSIGNED DURING MAY 1978 TO 1ST MARINE DIVISION
1990 – 2015

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD AND DESERT STORM, SOUTHWEST ASIA, AUGUST 1990 – MARCH 1991

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION RESTORE HOPE, SOMALIA, JANUARY-FEBRUARY 1993

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN FIRE-FIGHTING EFFORTS, WESTERN UNITED STATES, AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 1994

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION VIGILANT WARRIOR, KUWAIT, OCTOBER-NOVEMBER 1994

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION DETERMINED RESPONSE, YEMEN, OCTOBER 2000

DEPLOYED DURING JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2003 TO KUWAIT IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQ, MARCH-MAY 2003

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQ, 2004 – 2009


ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, AFGHANISTAN, JANUARY-SEPTEMBER 2010
HONORS
AWARDED
1ST COMBAT ENGINEER BATTALION

PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION WITH ONE SILVER AND FOUR BRONZE STARS

WORLD WAR II
GUADALCANAL – 1942
PELELIU – 1944
OKINAWA – 1945

KOREA
1950
1950
1951

VIETNAM
1966 – 1967
1967 – 1968

IRAQ
2003

AFGHANISTAN
2009

JOINT MERITORIOUS UNIT AWARD STREAMER

SOMALIA
1993

NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS

KOREA
1952 – 1953

SOUTHWEST ASIA
1990 – 1991

AFGHANISTAN
2009
MERITORIOUS UNIT CITATION WITH ONE BRONZE STAR
VIETNAM
1969 – 1970
1986 – 1988

AMERICAN DEFENSE SERVICE STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR
ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH ONE SILVER AND ONE BRONZE STAR
WORLD WAR II VICTORY STREAMER
NAVY OCCUPATION SERVICE STREAMER WITH "ASIA"
CHINA SERVICE STREAMER
NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS
KOREAN SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO SILVER STARS
ARMED FORCES EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER
VIETNAM SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO SILVER AND TWO BRONZE STARS
SOUTHWEST ASIA SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS
AFGHANISTAN CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS
IRAQ CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR
GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER
GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE STREAMER
KOREAN PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION STREAMER
VIETNAM CROSS OF GALLANTRY WITH PALM STREAMER
VIETNAM MERITORIOUS UNIT CITATION CIVIL ACTIONS STREAMER