LINEAGE
OF
5TH BATTALION, 11TH MARINES

1942 – 1947
ACTIVATED 1 MAY 1942 AT NEW RIVER, NORTH CAROLINA, AS 5TH BATTALION, 11TH MARINES, 1ST MARINE DIVISION, FLEET MARINE FORCE
DEPLOYED DURING JUNE-JULY 1942 TO WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND
REDESIGNATED 1 JANUARY 1943 AS 4TH BATTALION, 11TH MARINES, 1ST MARINE DIVISION, FLEET MARINE FORCE
PARTICIPATED IN THE FOLLOWING WORLD WAR II CAMPAIGNS
GUADALCANAL
EASTERN NEW GUINEA
NEW BRITAIN
PELELIU
OKINAWA
REDEPLOYED DURING SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 1945 TO TIENTSIN, CHINA
PARTICIPATED IN THE OCCUPATION OF NORTH CHINA, OCTOBER 1945 – JANUARY 1947
REASSIGNED DURING DECEMBER 1946 TO 7TH MARINES
RELOCATED DURING JANUARY 1947 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA, AND REASSIGNED TO 3D MARINE BRIGADE, FLEET MARINE FORCE
DEACTIVATED 17 FEBRUARY 1947

1950 – 1974
REACTIVATED 4 AUGUST 1950 AT CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA, AND ASSIGNED TO 1ST MARINE DIVISION, FLEET MARINE FORCE
DEPLOYED DURING AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 1950 TO KOBE, JAPAN
PARTICIPATED IN THE KOREAN WAR, SEPTEMBER 1950 – JULY 1953, OPERATING FROM
INCHON-SEOUL
CHOSIN RESERVOIR
EAST-CENTRAL FRONT
WESTERN FRONT
PARTICIPATED IN THE OCCUPATION OF THE KOREAN DEMILITARIZED ZONE, AUGUST 1953 – MARCH 1955
REDEPLOYED DURING MARCH 1955 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA
RELOCATED DURING JUNE 1962 TO TWENTYNINE PALMS, CALIFORNIA, AND REASSIGNED TO FORCE TROOPS,
FLEET MARINE FORCE

DEPLOYED DURING FEBRUARY 1966 TO REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, AND REASSIGNED TO 1ST MARINE DIVISION, FLEET MARINE FORCE

PARTICIPATED IN THE WAR IN VIETNAM, JANUARY 1966 – OCTOBER 1970, OPERATING FROM

CHU LAI
DA NANG

REDEPLOYED DURING OCTOBER 1970 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA, AND REASSIGNED TO FORCE TROOPS,
FLEET MARINE FORCE

DEACTIVATED 15 NOVEMBER 1974

1979 – 2002

REACTIVATED 15 FEBRUARY 1979 AT TWENTYNINE PALMS, CALIFORNIA, AS 4TH BATTALION, 11TH MARINES, 1ST MARINE DIVISION,
FLEET MARINE FORCE, FROM UNITS COMPRISING THE 1ST FIELD ARTILLERY GROUP, FORCE TROOPS, FLEET MARINE FORCE

REDESIGNATED 1 OCTOBER 1984 AS 5TH BATTALION, 11TH MARINES, 1ST MARINE DIVISION, FLEET MARINE FORCE

REASSIGNED 5 MAY 1988 AS 5TH BATTALION, 11TH MARINES, 7TH MARINE EXPEDITIONARY BRIGADE, FLEET MARINE FORCE

REASSIGNED DURING JANUARY 1990 TO 1ST MARINE DIVISION

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

REDEPLOYED DURING AUGUST 1992 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

PARTICIPATED IN FIRE-FIGHTING EFFORTS IN THE WESTERN UNITED STATES, JULY-AUGUST 1994

2003 – 2015

DEPLOYED DURING JANUARY 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, MAY 2004 – DECEMBER 2008

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, AFGHANISTAN,

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, AFGHANISTAN, MAY 2009 – APRIL 2010

14 SEPTEMBER 2015

DATE

COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS
HONORS

AWARDED

5TH BATTALION, 11TH MARINES

PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION STREAMER WITH ONE SILVER AND FOUR BRONZE STARS

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

KOREA
1950
1950
1951

VIETNAM
1966 – 1967
1967 – 1968

IRAQ
2003

AFGHANISTAN
2009 – 2010

NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS

WORLD WAR II
CAPE GLOUCESTER – 1943 – 1944

KOREA
1952 – 1953

SOUTHWEST ASIA
1990 – 1991

MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER
1994
CHINA SERVICE STREAMER

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH ONE SILVER STAR

WORLD WAR II VICTORY STREAMER

NAVY OCCUPATION SERVICE STREAMER WITH "ASIA"

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

KOREAN SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO SILVER STARS

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

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