



Thank you for registering for the 2015 Department of Defense Warrior Games! We appreciate your interest in covering this event. A member of the Warrior Games Public Affairs staff will contact you if we have any questions or there is information missing from your registration. If you have any questions or special requirements, please contact the Warrior Games Public Affairs staff at <u>WWR_PAO@usmc.mil</u>.

Below are a list of instructions and special considerations.

Directions: Marine Corps Base Quantico is located off Interstate 95 in Virginia, 36 miles south of Washington D.C. and 20 miles north of Fredericksburg. Please enter through the main gate on the day of your arrival.

From I-95: Take exit 150, Quantico/Triangle. Take route 619 east to the entrance of the base. Proper identification, such as a state driver's license, and a valid identification card will be required to get onto the base. Please have a copy of your event registration confirmation available as well.

All media personnel are required to check in at the Joint Information Bureau (JIB), which is located at Geiger Hall, Expeditionary Warfare School, to pick up your credentials. Geiger Hall is located at 2077 Geiger Road. From the main gate, proceed east on Fuller Road for approximately 2 miles. Continue past the golf course and turn left at Geiger Road. Geiger Hall is at the top of the hill on your right.

Parking: Parking is extremely limited aboard Marine Corps Base Quantico and therefore you will not be able to drive to the event sites. Parking is available inside the parking garage at Marine Corps University (MCU). Transportation from MCU to the event sites will be provided on a looping bus route. If you have additional requirements, please coordinate with the JIB in advance by contacting us at <u>WWR_PAO@usmc.mil</u>.

Prohibited Items: The following items are prohibited from all 2015 DoD Warrior Games venues: Firearms, Knives, Weapons, Explosives, Firecrackers, Pepper Spray, Mace, Alcoholic beverages, Narcotics, and Drug paraphernalia. Exceptions to the prohibited list may be allowed for medical reasons (i.e. syringes, inhalers, etc.). Firearm concealed-carry permits are not recognized on MCB Quantico (which includes the National Museum of the Marine Corps). Backpacks, gym bags, camera bags, coolers, etc. are allowed at WG venues, but will be searched prior to being allowed into a venue.

For more information on this event, please visit www.defense.gov/warriorgames or www.facebook.com/warriorgames.

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2015 Department of Defense Warrior Games // Event Overview:

The 2015 DoD Warrior Games represent the culmination of participation in structured adaptive sports activities, providing an opportunity for service members and veterans to renew their experience of support and camaraderie within the team environment, contribute to team success and demonstrate the "warrior ethos" in a competitive environment. The 2015 DoD Warrior Games promote athletic reconditioning of wounded, ill and injured service members and veterans by encouraging participation in physical and cognitive activities, inspiring physical fitness, mental strength, peer support and encouraging new opportunities for growth and achievement.

- The 2015 DoD Warrior Games embody the spirit of the members of the United States Armed Forces and are a testament to their strength, personal courage and inspirational attitude.
- Adaptive sports and reconditioning activities help enable healing through a holistic approach throughout the recovery and reintegration process: mentally, emotionally, spiritually, physically and most importantly socially as service members and veterans share and learn through their common experiences.
- Supporters of the DoD Warrior Games include those family members, friends, peers and community leaders who have stood by the service member through their recovery and reconditioning process to cheer on their athlete. These supporters share in the achievement demonstrated in the DoD Warrior Games in a unique and special way.
- Wounded, ill and injured service members can compete in the games because of the ability of the military medical departments to quickly and efficiently move a wounded service member from the battlefield to overseas or stateside military hospitals in record time.
- The 2015 DoD Warrior Games symbolize to all wounded, ill and injured service members and veterans across the nation and around the world that individuals can recover from serious injury or illness and lead fulfilling, productive and inspiring lives.
- The games are an opportunity for families and caregivers of wounded, ill and injured service members to share common experiences and celebrate the accomplishments of their service members and families overcoming adversity and thriving. DoD recognizes that the recovery of these warriors can also be attributed in part to the support they receive from their families, friends and communities.





2015 Department of Defense Warrior Games // Media Ground Rules:

- All media must register via CVENT and receive official credentialing from the Director, Media Relations, Task Force Warrior Games, in order to obtain access to Warrior Games competition venues and activities.
- Media must display official credentials at all times while covering the 2015 Department of Defense Warrior Games.
- Credentialed members of the media pool will be provided access to all desired Warrior Games locations and facilities. Media will not attempt to enter any restricted areas on Marine Corps Base Quantico without a military escort.
- Media are responsible for their own transportation to/from marshalling areas on Marine Corps Base Quantico. Members of the media are responsible for their own professional equipment at all times.
- Media are required to follow applicable Marine Corps Base Quantico policies and procedures at all times while covering the Warrior Games.
- Media are responsible for checking in with the Task Force Warrior Games Joint Information Bureau upon arrival at Marine Corps Base Quantico to facilitate access to all event locations.
- All interviews with service members, veterans, families and staff will be on the record. Security of information will be the responsibility of the interviewee; however the member must be informed by the media when he/she is in an interview situation. All individuals retain the right to decline interviews.
- Media are expected to be self-sufficient with respect to filing product. However, media will have
 access to several locations with commercial wireless internet that will be reserved for use by
 credentialed media. When such access is required requests may be made to any available media
 escort for accommodation.
- Media are expected to follow the instructions of media escorts at all times.
- Due to the limited space available at certain events throughout the course of the Warrior Games, members of the media may be requested to pool resource including but not limited to live video feeds.







Schedule of Events

Thu, June 18	0800-1600	Warrior and Family Transition Fair	Lejeune Field Tent
Fri, June 19	1100-1200	Opening Ceremony	NMMC
Sat, June 20	0700-1900	Wheelchair Basketball Seeded Games	Barber Gym
	*No specto	ator seating, please watch live from Lejeune F	ield Tent
Sun, June 21	0800-1200	Cycling Competition and Medals	Lejeune Hall Lot
	1700-2000	Wheelchair Basketball Playoffs	Barber Gym
Mon, June 22	0800-1600	Archery Competition and Medals	Lejeune Field Tent
	1800-2100	Wheelchair Basketball Playoffs	Barber Gym
Tues, June 23	0800-1200	Field Competition and Medals	Barnett Field
	1330-1530	Wheelchair Basketball Finals and Medals	Barber Gym
	1600-2100	Track Competition and Medals	Butler Stadium
Wed, June 24	Capitol Hill Day		Washington, DC
Thu, June 25	0700-1900	Sitting Volleyball Seeded Matches	Barber Gym
	*Limited sp	ectator seating, please watch live from Lejeu	ne Field Tent
Fri, June 26	0800-1700	Shooting Competition and Medals	Lejeune Field Tent
	1800-2100	Sitting Volleyball Playoffs	Barber Gym
Sat, June 27	0800-1300	Swimming Competition and Medals	Freedom Aquatics
	1500-1800	Sitting Volleyball Playoffs	Barber Gym



Sun, June 280900-1100Wheelchair Rugby Exhibition1300-1500Sitting Volleyball Finals and Medals1700-1800Closing Ceremony

Barber Gym Barber Gym Butler Stadium

LOCATION REFERENCES

- Lejeune Hall Lot : Rear of Building 3520, MCB Quantico, VA
- Lejeune Field Tent : Front of Building 3520, MCB Quantico, VA
- Barber Gym: Barber Physical Activity Center, Building 2073, MCB Quantico, VA
- Barnett Field: Located by the Car Wash Office, Building 3056, MCB Quantico, VA
- NMMC: National Museum of the Marine Corps, Building 1775, Triangle, VA
- Freedom Aquatics Center: 9100 Freedom Center Blvd, Manassas, VA

Sporting Event Information:

The 2015 DoD Warrior Games feature eight adaptive sports: archery, cycling, field, shooting, sitting volleyball, swimming, track, and wheelchair basketball. Additionally, on the final day of the games, athletes from each team will be invited to participate in a Wheelchair Rugby Exhibition.

Wounded, ill, and injured service members and veterans qualified for the 2015 DoD Warrior Games by participating in structured camps, clinics, trials, and daily adaptive sports activities that were executed nationwide with support from the DoD Office of Warrior Care Policy Military Adaptive Sports Program (MASP).

Archery

Archery is composed of four categories: Individual Compound Open, Individual Recurve Open, Team Compound, and Team Recurve. Participants may only compete in one individual category, but may shoot from standing or sitting position. The top eight athletes in each individual event will move to the elimination rounds, which are single elimination. During these rounds, they compete against one other athlete to qualify for the next round. The team competition is comprised of three archers who compete to shoot six arrows in two minutes on the same shooting line.

A recurve bow consists of a handle and two curved limbs with a single string connecting the tips of the limbs. As the archer increases the draw, the bow continues to increase in pressure or draw weight. A compound bow is drawn mechanically by a system of pulleys and/or cams that are located on the upper and lower limbs of the bow. At full draw, when the bow is completely pulled back, a



compound bow relaxes, whereby a person shooting a 50-pound bow may only hold about 20 pounds (9.1 kg) at full draw.

Cycling

Cycling competition includes hand, recumbent, upright, and tandem (recumbent and upright) bicycles. All handcyclists, tandem recumbent cyclists and women's recumbent cyclists race a distance of 10 kilometers, men's recumbent cyclists and women's upright cyclists race a distance of 20 kilometers, men's upright cyclists and tandem upright cyclists race a distance of 30 kilometers.

Most handcycles are tricycle in form, with two coasting rear wheels and one steerable powered front wheel. Handcycles come in a variety of styles, making them accessible to people with a wide variety of disabilities. A recumbent bicycle is a bicycle that places the rider in a laid-back reclining position. Recumbents can be categorized by their wheelbase, wheel sizes, steering system, faired or un-faired, and front-wheel or rear-wheel drive. Athletes who have visual impairments ride tandem bicycles with a guide, either upright or recumbent. Upright cyclists are athletes who can ride a standard bicycle.

Field

Field is composed of seated shot put, standing shot up, seated discus, and standing discus. The men's shot weight is 6 kilograms for standing and 4 kilograms for seated. The women's shot weight is 3 kilograms for standing and seated. The men's discus weight is 1.5 kilograms for standing and 1 kilogram for seated. The women's discus weight is 1 kilogram for standing and seated.

Shooting

The sport of shooting is a challenge of accuracy and control, in which competitors use air pistols or rifles to fire a series of shots at a stationary target. Shooting is composed of air pistol, air rifle standing, and air rifle prone at a distance of 10 meters. Shooters are categorized as SH1, SH2 and open. SH2 athletes are authorized assistance in loading the pellets into their weapons. Targets are electronic to increase accuracy of scoring. At the 2015 DoD Warrior Games, competitors will use only precision air rifles and pistols that issue 177 cal. pellets. This year, blind shooters will be able to compete utilizing a headset that makes a varying pitch tone when they are close to the center of the target.

Sitting Volleyball

Sitting volleyball, like volleyball, is played with six athletes on the court per team plus substitutions. The courts and nets are modified from standard volleyball. Each game includes at least two matches to determine the winner (three matches in case of a tie). The 2015 DoD Warrior Games will feature six teams, representing the Army, Marine Corps, Navy/Coast Guard, Air Force, SOCOM, and the British Armed Forces. Teams will play in a round-robin tournament, before moving on to the seeded games. Once seeded, teams will play a five team double elimination tournament according to bracket.





Swimming

Swimming is composed of the 50 meter freestyle, 100 meter freestyle, 50 meter backstroke, and 50 meter breaststroke in both men's and women's categories. There are also two combined 200 meter freestyle relays. Visually impaired swimmers wear black out goggles. At the end of their race, someone will use an implement to tap them to ensure that they do not collide with the wall.

Official 2015 Department of Defense Warrior Games // Social Media Information:



2015 DoD Warrior Games

Website: <u>www.defense.gov/warriorgames</u> Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/warriorgames</u> Twitter: @WarriorGames DVIDS: <u>www.dvidshub.net/feature/WarriorGames2015</u> Hashtag: #WarriorGames #BeyondInjury

Army Warrior Transition Command (WTC)



Website: <u>www.WTC.army.mil</u> Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/armyWTC</u> Twitter: @ArmyWTC YouTube: <u>www.youtube.com/WarriorCareCom</u> Flickr: www.flickr.com/photos/armywtc Hashtag: #ArmyWTC



Air Force Wounded Warrior

Website: <u>www.woundedwarrior.af.mil</u> Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/AirForceWoundedWarrior</u> Twitter: @AFW2 You Tube: <u>www.youtube.com/AirForceWoundedWarrior</u> Hashtag: #AFW2



USMC Wounded Warrior Regiment (WWR)

Website: <u>www.woundedwarriorregiment.org</u> Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/wwr.usmc</u> Twitter: @USMCWWR You Tube: <u>www.youtube.com/USMCWWCC</u> Hashtag: #Marines





Navy Wounded Warrior – Safe Harbor

Website: http://safeharbor.navylive.dodlive.mil Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/navysafeharbor</u> Twitter: @NavySafeHarbor YouTube: <u>www.youtube.com/navysafeharbor1</u> Hashtag: #TeamNavy



Special Operations Command Care Coalition

Website: www.socom.mil/carecoalition Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/ussocom</u> Hashtag: #TeamSOCOM



British Armed Forces – Help for Heroes U.K.

Website/Blog: www.helpforheroes.org.uk/sports-recovery Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/HelpforHeroesOfficial Twitter: @H4H_SR and @helpforheroes Hashtag: #BritishTeam



Office of Warrior Care Policy (WCP)

Website/Blog: www.WarriorCare.dodlive.mil Facebook: www.facebook.com/WarriorCare Twitter: @WarriorCare YouTube: www.youtube.com/WarriorCare Hashtag: #WarriorCare



Military Health System (MHS)

Website/Blog: www.health.mil Facebook: www.facebook.com/MilitaryHealth Twitter: @MilitaryHealth YouTube: www.youtube.com/MilitaryHealth Flickr: www.flickr.com/MilitaryHealth Pinterest: www.pinterest.com/HealthDotMil



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2015 Department of Defense Warrior Games // Opening Ceremony Information:

The Opening Ceremony for the 2015 Department of Defense Warrior Games will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, June 19, 2015 at the National Museum of the Marine Corps located at 18900 Jefferson Davis Hwy, Triangle, VA 22172.

This historic Opening Ceremony will mark the commencement of the first Department of defense-led Warrior Games competition. The event will include opening remarks from Secretary of Defense Ashton Carter and will be attended by senior military and government leadership from across the National Capitol Region. The opening ceremony will be live- streamed at <u>http://defensetv.tv/</u>.

The Warrior Games, including the opening ceremony, is open to the public. However, access to the event will be limited and registration is required through CVENT at: <u>www.cvent.com/d/6rq2x3/6X</u>. It is recommended that all spectators, guests and media representatives arrive at least two hours prior to the event in order to ensure timely access to the event site.

The 2015 Department of Defense Warrior Games will showcase the resiliency and fighting spirit of our service members and veterans. The Warrior Games will highlight 270 of the finest athletes from all military branches and our partners in the British Armed Forces, as well as the faithful support of their caregivers, families and the Military Adaptive Sports Program.

Please note: on June 19, 2015 the National Museum of the Marine Corps will be operating with a delayed opening of 1 p.m. in order to provide dedicated support to this historic event.

For more information about the 2015 Department of Defense Warrior Games please visit: <u>http://www.defense.gov/warriorgames</u>.

Additional information may be requested by email at <u>WWR_PAO@usmc.mil</u> or by contacting Captain James Ferguson, USMC at (571)-465-6659.