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MULTI-CALIBRE SNIPER WEAPON SYSTEM

MANDATORY TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS



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1. **SCOPE**

1.1. **Objective**

This document defines the mandatory technical requirements for the C21 Multi-Calibre Sniper Weapon (MCSW) System.

1.2. **Acronyms**

AECTP Allied Environmental Conditions Test Publication

FED-STD Federal Standard

GFE Government Furnished Equipment

IAW In Accordance With

MOA Minute of Angle

MPI Mean Point of Impact

NATO North Atlantic Treaty Organization

OEM Original Equipment Manufacturer

MCSW Multi-Calibre Sniper Weapon

STANAG Standardization Agreement

TA Technical Authority

1.3. **Definitions**

“3 O’clock NATO Accessory Rail” (STANAG 4694 Rail) is defined as the rail located on the right side of the weapon forestock, from the shooter’s perspective, when holding the weapon in a shooting position.

“6 O’clock NATO Accessory Rail” (STANAG 4694 Rail) is defined as the rail located on the bottom of the weapon forestock, from the shooter’s perspective, when holding the weapon in a shooting position.

“9 O’clock NATO Accessory Rail” (STANAG 4694 Rail) is defined as the rail located on the left side of the weapon forestock, from the shooter’s perspective, when holding the weapon in a shooting position.

“12 O’clock NATO Accessory Rail” (STANAG 4694 Rail) is defined as the rail located on the top of the weapon forestock, from the shooter’s perspective, when holding the weapon in a shooting position.

“Ambidextrous” is defined as the capability to operate switches and controls with either hand, without reconfiguration of the weapon.

“Length of Pull” is defined as the distance from the middle of the trigger to the end of the Rifle’s buttstock.

“MCSW” is defined as the Rifle and all its accessories that are required to fire the weapon: All Magazines, Suppressor, Muzzle Brake, Sling, Bi-pod and Optical Scope System as illustrated in Figure 1.

“MCSW System” is defined as the complete C21 weapon system consisting of the MCSW, Transit Case, Maintenance Items and Documentation as illustrated in Figure 1.

“Mean Point of Impact (MPI)” is defined as the point whose coordinates are the arithmetic means of the coordinates of the separate points of impact of a series of projectiles fired at the same aiming point.

“Minute of Angle (MOA)” is as an angular measurement defined as 1/60th of a degree.

“Monopod accessory rail” (STANAG 4694 Rail) is defined as the rail located at the bottom of the weapon buttstock / stock, from the shooter’s perspective, when holding the weapon in a shooting position.

“Optical Scope System” is defined as the complete rifle mounted optical sighting system consisting of soft storage bag, operator tools, kill flash honeycomb filter (aka anti reflection device), sunshade, scope and scope rings.

“Rifle” is defined as the C21 Multi-Caliber rifle equipped with all STANAG rails, but not including the Magazine, Sling, Suppressor or Muzzle Brake.

“Two-Stage Trigger” is defined as a trigger mechanism that releases the hammer (firing the weapon) after two distinct amounts of spring and mechanical resistance are overcome by the trigger finger. The initial stage is light and relatively long, and the second stage has noticeable greater resistance but over a shorter distance.

“Weapon Related Stoppage” is a stoppage that is caused by a malfunction in the weapon. Any stoppage that is caused by a deficiency in the cartridge used is not considered a weapon related stoppage.

1.4. MCSW System Equipment Breakdown Chart

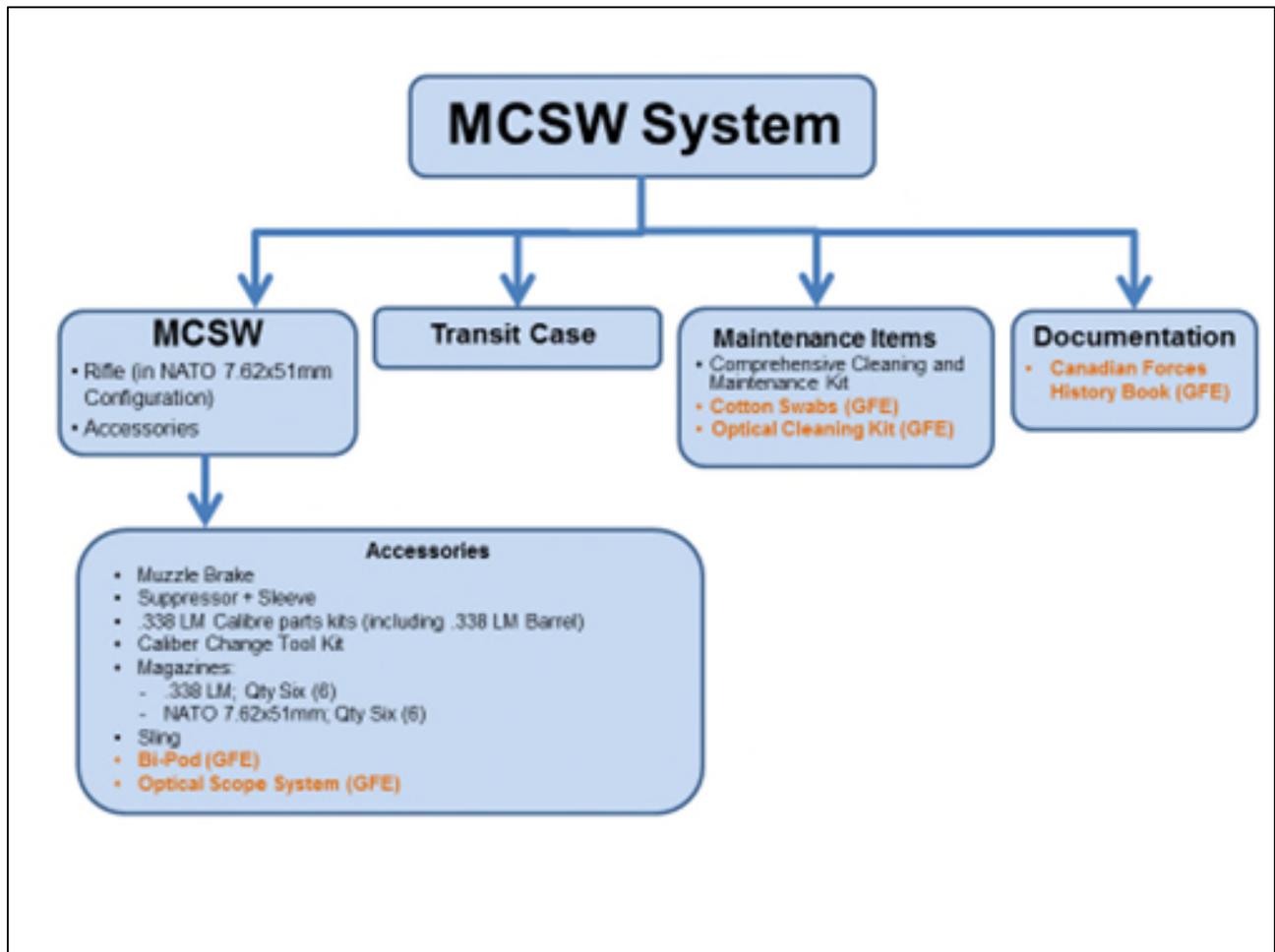


Figure 1: MCSW System Equipment Breakdown Chart

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Applicable Documents

The following documents form part of this specification to the extent specified and are supportive of the specified when referenced; all other document references are to be considered supplemental information only. In the event of a conflict between the documents referenced and the contents of the specification, then the contents of the specification must take precedence.

AECTP 200: Environmental Conditions;

AECTP 230: Climatic Conditions;

AECTP 300: Climatic Environmental Tests;

AECTP 400: Mechanical Environmental Tests;

STANAG AC/225 (LG/3-SG/1) D/14: Evaluation Procedures for Future NATO Small Arms Weapon Systems;

STANAG 2310: Small Arms Ammunition (7.62mm); and

STANAG 4694: NATO Accessory Rail.

3. Technical Requirements

SERIAL	REQUIREMENT
3.1	Rifle
3.1.1	General Rifle
3.1.1.1	The Rifle must be a Multi-Calibre, right-handed bolt operated precision weapon.
3.1.1.2	The Rifle must be compatible with NATO 7.62 x 51mm ammunition in one configuration, and with .338 Lapua Magnum ammunition in another configuration.
3.1.1.3	The Rifle's magazine location must be forward of the trigger.
3.1.1.4	The Rifle must have a manually applied safety.
3.1.1.5	The Rifle must have an ambidextrous magazine release.
3.1.1.6	The Rifle must have a pistol grip.
3.1.1.7	The mass of the Rifle, with an empty magazine, in any calibre configuration, must be less than or equal to 7 kg.
3.1.1.8	The external surfaces of the Rifle must have a CERAKOTE ELITE finish.
3.1.1.9	The colour of the external surfaces of the chassis and barrel must be Coyote M17 Tan E-170. All other components of the rifle can be either black or the same color as the chassis/barrel.
3.1.1.10	The Rifle must have ambidextrous sling mounting points on the butt stock or on the rear portion of the chassis that accommodates the sling specified in para. 3.3.2.
3.1.1.11	The Rifle must have an ambidextrous sling mounting point at the front, that is rail mounted and removable, and that accommodates the specified sling in para. 3.3.2.
3.1.1.12	With an empty magazine inserted into the Rifle slot, the Rifle design must allow for a single round to be inserted directly into the Rifle chamber and cocked without having to insert the round into the magazine.
3.1.1.13	The bolt must be taken apart for cleaning by the Operator without the need for tools.
3.1.2	Rifle Stock
3.1.2.1	The Rifle stock must be foldable and lockable in place without affecting installed accessories.
3.1.2.2	The Rifle stock must fold on the bolt handle side of the rifle.
3.1.2.3	The Rifle stock must be adjustable in length of pull without the use of tools and have an adjustment range of at least 38 mm.

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3.1.2.4	The Rifle stock length of pull must have at least 4 lockable adjustment positions unless fully adjustable.
3.1.2.5	The Rifle stock cheek rest and recoil pad must allow both right handed and left handed users to maintain the proper sight picture.
3.1.2.6	The Rifle stock cheek rest must be adjustable vertically without the use of tools.
3.1.2.7	The Rifle length, with stock unfolded and collapsed to the minimal length of pull and without the muzzle brake must be less than or equal to 1270 mm in both calibre configurations.
3.1.2.8	The Rifle length, with stock folded and collapsed to the minimal length of pull and without the muzzle brake must be less than or equal to 1020 mm in both calibre configuration.
3.1.3	NATO Accessory Rails
3.1.3.1	The MCSW must be equipped with removable NATO accessory rails installed at the 3, 6 and 9 O'clock positions on the Rifle fore-end.
3.1.3.2	The 3 and 9 O'clock NATO accessory rails must be at least 75 mm long each.
3.1.3.3	The 6 O'clock NATO accessory rail must be at least 125 mm long.
3.1.3.4	The 3, 6 and 9 O'clock NATO accessory rails must be able to be mounted at various positions along the length of the Rifle forestock.
3.1.3.5	The 3, 6 and 9 O'clock NATO accessory rails must be interchangeable between each other.
3.1.3.6	The MCSW must be equipped with a removable NATO rail installed at the 12 O'clock position of the Rifle Chassis.
3.1.3.7	The 12 O'clock NATO rail must have a usable mounting space of 533mm or more.
3.1.3.8	The 12 O'clock NATO rail must have a 40 MOA slanted angle, sloping down towards the front of the Rifle.
3.1.3.9	The MCSW must be equipped with a removable NATO rail at the bottom of the Rifle stock to be used for a monopod.
3.1.3.10	The 3, 6, 9, 12 O'clock and monopod NATO rails must be IAW STANAG 4694.
3.1.4	Trigger Mechanism
3.1.4.1	The trigger mechanism must be a Two-Stage Trigger.
3.1.4.2	The trigger must automatically return to its normal forward position upon release after partial or complete trigger pull.
3.1.4.3	The trigger second stage pull force must be adjustable and include a pull force range of 13.3 N to 15.6 N (3 lb to 3.5 lb).
3.1.5	Safety

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3.1.5.1	The Rifle design must prevent the bolt from being disengaged from the cocked position while the safety is in the "SAFE" position, in both configurations.
3.1.5.2	The Rifle design must prevent a bullet from being fired while the safety is in the "SAFE" position.
3.1.5.3	The state of the Rifle Safety mechanism must be verifiable by both sight and touch.
3.1.5.4	When the safety is in the "FIRE" position and the bolt is not fully engaged, the Rifle design must prevent the bolt from disengaging upon a trigger pull.
3.2	Transit Case
3.2.1	The Transit Case must be a rigid case equipped with molded custom inserts.
3.2.2	The Transit Case must store the entire MCSW System.
3.2.3	The Transit Case must store the Rifle with the optical scope, muzzle brake and bipod mounted, and with all recoil pad spacers mounted and cheek piece fixed in a user-required position.
3.2.4	The Transit Case must store the Rifle with the 12 O'clock NATO Accessory Rail facing the Transit Case handle.
3.2.5	The colour of the Transit Case must be Tan or Black.
3.2.6	The Transit Case must be provided with a hinged cover.
3.2.7	The Transit Case must be equipped with hinged latches to securely close the case.
3.2.8	The Transit Case must be provided with a padlock locking point to secure the contents.
3.2.9	The Transit Case must be provided with a folding handle on its long side for carrying by hand.
3.2.10	The Transit Case must be provided with wheels located on one of the short edges for pulling the case.
3.2.11	The Transit Case must be provided with a folding handle, or integrated handle on the opposite end to the wheels for pulling the case.
3.2.12	The Transit Case must be equipped with a pressure release valve.
3.2.13	The Transit Case must operate without physical damage and without degradation of performance in all low temperature environments associated with the C0, C1, C2 (-46°C min) climatic regions as described in STANAG 4370, AECTP 200, AECTP 230, Leaflet 2311/1 and Leaflet 2311/2.

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	AECTP 300, Ed 3, Method 303, Procedure II and III, C2 Cold, or Equivalent Test Method, is a sufficient means to demonstrate compliance to this requirement.
3.2.14	<p>The Transit Case, fully loaded with the MCSW System, must protect the contents from damage when dropped from a height of 1.5 m onto a concrete backed 5cm thick plywood surface at uncontrolled ambient conditions in the following orientations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Bottom side; b. Hinge side; c. One end; and d. One corner. <p>Note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The drops may be spread over two cases. <p>AECTP 400, Method 414, Procedure I, or Equivalent Test Method, is a sufficient means to demonstrate compliance to this requirement.</p>
3.2.15	<p>The Transit Case must not show any signs of leakage or water penetration into the interior where the equipment is being stored when submersed in 1 m of water for 30 minutes.</p> <p>AECTP 300, Method 307, or Equivalent Test Method, is a sufficient means to demonstrate compliance to this requirement.</p>
3.3	Accessories
3.3.1	Magazines
3.3.1.1	The MCSW must have a detachable magazine for the .338LM configuration that holds no less than five .338LM cartridges.
3.3.1.2	The MCSW must have a detachable, double-stacked magazine for the 7.62 x 51mm NATO configuration that holds no less than ten NATO 7.62 x 51mm cartridges.
3.3.1.3	The Magazines must self-align, be inserted with one hand and lock firmly on the Rifle.
3.3.2	Sling
3.3.2.1	The Sling must be the Tab Pinnacle Rifle Sling, part number PRS,E,C,F, NSN 1005-01-664-0176.
3.3.3	Suppressor
3.3.3.1	The MCSW must be provided with one Suppressor that is compatible for both calibre configurations. Canada will accept either a suppressor mounted directly to the barrel or one mounted to the muzzle brake.

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3.3.3.2	The Suppressor must attenuate the sound of the Rifle by a minimum of 20 dB when measured 1 m to the left of the muzzle, in both Calibre configurations.
3.3.3.3	The Suppressor must maintain the specified sound attenuation of 20 dB or more throughout a service life of 4,000 rounds in .338 configuration.
3.3.3.4	The Suppressor must maintain the specified sound attenuation of 20 dB or more throughout a service life of 8,000 rounds in 7.62mm configuration.
3.3.3.5	The Suppressor must attach and disconnect from the rifle without the use of tools.
3.3.3.6	The Suppressor must not add more than 175 mm to the length of the Rifle past the end of the barrel.
3.3.3.7	The external surfaces of the Suppressor must have a CERAKOTE ELITE finish.
3.3.3.8	The colour of the external surfaces of the Suppressor must be Coyote M17 Tan E-170.
3.3.3.9	The outer diameter of the Suppressor must be equal to or less than 51mm (2.0 in).
3.3.3.10	The Suppressor must not become loose when firing a 5 round grouping in both calibre configurations.
3.3.3.11	The Suppressor must be fitted with a MANTA suppressor sleeve to help reduce mirage.
3.3.4	Muzzle Brake
3.3.4.1	The MCSW must be provided with one Muzzle Brake that is compatible for both calibre configurations.
3.3.4.2	The Muzzle Brake must not become loose when firing a 5 round grouping in both calibre configurations.
3.4	Comprehensive Cleaning and Maintenance Kit
3.4.1	The Comprehensive Cleaning and Maintenance Kit must contain all items required to fully clean and maintain the MCSW as well as tools and accessories to change calibres.

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3.4.2	<p>The Comprehensive Cleaning and Maintenance Kit must contain one (1) each of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Cleaning Rod - DEWEY# 30C44; b. 7.62mm Brass Jag - DEWEY# 30J; c. .338 Brass Jag - DEWEY# 338J; d. Rifle Bore Guide; e. 7.62mm Bronze Bore Brush - DEWEY# B-30; f. .338 Bronze Bore Brush - DEWEY# B-338; g. 7.62mm Nylon Bore Brush - DEWEY# B-30N; h. .338 calibre Nylon Bore Brush - DEWEY# B-338N; i. .338 Lapua Bronze Chamber Brush - DEWEY# CH-338L; j. One hundred (100) .30-.35 calibre Cotton Patches; k. Curved Cleaning Pick for cleaning barrel extension locking lugs; l. Bore Reflector; m. Brass Chamber Brush - DEWEY# CH-308; and n. Appropriate Carbon removal Scraper Tools.
3.5	Performance
3.5.1	Precision
3.5.1.1	<p>The MCSW in the NATO 7.62 x 51mm configuration, with the Suppressor attached, must achieve an Average Mean Radius of 1.2cm or less for 5 groupings of 5 rounds at a range of 100m.</p>
3.5.1.2	<p>The MCSW in .338 Lapua Magnum configuration, with the Suppressor attached, must achieve an Average Mean Radius of 1.2cm or less for 5 groupings of 5 rounds at a range of 100m.</p>
3.5.2	Safety Drop
3.5.2.1	<p>The Rifle with Magazine inserted must not discharge the round in the chamber when dropped at a height of 1.5m in each calibre configuration, onto a concrete surface covered with 2mm thick layer of rubber surfacing at uncontrolled ambient conditions in the following rifle orientations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Rifle vertical, with Muzzle facing impact surface; b. Rifle vertical, with Butt stock facing impact surface; c. Rifle angled forward at 45° to impact surface; d. Rifle angled backwards at 45° to impact surface; and e. Rifle in shooting position and parallel to impact surface. <p>Note: Drops to be conducted with the safety mechanism in the SAFE and FIRE positions, and 2nd stage trigger pull set to lowest specified trigger second stage pull force.</p>

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	AECTP 400, Method 414, Procedure I, or Equivalent Test Method, is a sufficient means to demonstrate compliance to this requirement.
3.5.3	High Pressure Test
3.5.3.1	Every assembled Rifle must be proof tested IAW AC/225(LG/3-SG/1)D/14, para 2.1.4.2 in each calibre configuration, inspected, and have proof marks on all pressure bearing components.
3.5.4	Service Life
3.5.4.1	The NATO 7.62 x 51mm barrel service life must be no less than 8,000 rounds while maintaining an Average Mean Radius of 1.2cm or less for 5 groupings of 5 rounds, at a range of 100 m.
3.5.4.2	The .338 Lapua Magnum barrel service life must be no less than 4,000 rounds while maintaining an Average Mean Radius of 1.2cm or less for 5 groupings of 5 rounds, at a range of 100 m.
3.5.5	Reliability
3.5.5.1	The MCSW in the NATO 7.62 x 51mm configuration must be capable of firing 8,000 rounds with no more than five weapon related stoppages.
3.5.5.2	The MCSW in the .338LM configuration must be capable of firing 4,000 rounds with no more than five weapon related stoppages.
3.5.6	Accuracy
3.5.6.1	The MCSW in the NATO 7.62 x 51mm configuration must achieve a MPI shift of no more than 29.1mm at a range of 100m between two groupings of five rounds, where the first grouping of 5 rounds is fired with the suppressor attached, and the second grouping is fired after removing and re-attaching the barrel, without removing the suppressor.
3.5.6.2	The MCSW in the .338LM configuration must achieve a MPI shift of no more than 29.1mm at a range of 100m between two groupings of five rounds, where the first grouping of 5 rounds is fired with the suppressor attached, and the second grouping is fired after removing and re-attaching the barrel, without removing the suppressor.
3.5.6.3	The MCSW in the NATO 7.62 x 51mm configuration must achieve a MPI shift of no more than 29.1mm at a range of 100m between two groupings of five rounds, where the first grouping of 5 rounds is fired with the suppressor attached, and the second grouping is fired after removing and re-attaching the suppressor.

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3.5.6.4	The MCSW in the .338LM configuration must achieve a MPI shift of no more than 29.1mm at a range of 100m between two groupings of five rounds, where the first grouping of 5 rounds is fired with the suppressor attached, and the second grouping is fired after removing and re-attaching the suppressor.
3.5.7	Calibre Change
3.5.7.1	The duration to change from one calibre to another must be less than or equal to 5 min using tools provided with the weapon system.
3.6	Interchangeability
3.6.1	All assemblies and sub-assemblies of the MCSW with identical part numbers must be completely interchangeable for the service life of the weapon without affecting fit, form, function, precision and safety, for both calibre configurations.
3.7	Operational Environments
3.7.1	<p>The MCSW in each calibre configuration must operate without physical damage and without degradation of performance in all low temperature environments associated with the C0, C1, C2 (-46°C min) climatic regions as described in STANAG 4370, AECTP 200, AECTP 230, Leaflet 2311/1 and Leaflet 2311/2.</p> <p>Note: Performance requirements to be assessed while firing a full magazine with no more than one weapon related stoppage in each configuration.</p> <p>AECTP 300, Ed 3, Method 303, Procedure II and III, C2 Cold, or Equivalent Test Method, is a sufficient means to demonstrate compliance to this requirement.</p>
3.7.2	<p>The MCSW in each calibre configuration must operate without physical damage and without degradation of performance in all high temperature environments associated with the A3, A2 and A1 (+49°C max) climatic regions as described in STANAG 4370, AECTP 200, AECTP 230, Leaflet 2311/1 and Leaflet 2311/2.</p> <p>Note: Performance requirements to be assessed while firing a full magazine with no more than one weapon related stoppage in each configuration.</p> <p>AECTP 300, Ed 3, Method 302, High Temperature Operation (constant temperature), Procedure II, or Equivalent Test Method, is a sufficient means to demonstrate compliance to this requirement.</p>
3.8	Markings

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3.8.1	The serial number for the suppressor must be visible when the mirage mitigation cover is attached.