

Close Quarters Battle Pistol

[Marine Corps Times](#) has released on their website information concerning the **United States Marine Corps Close Quarter Battle Pistol or CQBP**. According to the report **Colt Manufacturing and Springfield Arms** are in the competition with [Karl Lippard Designs](#) 400 yard accurate pistol made of S7 solid billet tool steel.



10 CQBP's were specially made for USMC to test. Not made in this configuration they are in limited quantities. Here shown is a pre camouflaged pistol. They can come with a 3 micron flat chrome finish for zero rust and wear to look like this.

Karl Lippard Designs, is “competing” *they say* with **Colt's 1911 A1** which it has been reported to have a frame made off shore as with Springfield Arms. We have answered numerous emails in general protest and can state only that it was our understanding that **Colt** made its frames and slides in Hartford, CT. out of forgings; and that Springfield Arms we have been told are made in Brazil from castings.

The “Competition” says the pistol of choice must be made in the USA or as much as 75% like with beef to be called “Beef.” But I think those emails concerning the

interchangeability of components and parts is the most valid. Certainly castings are troublesome under stress of cold and heat. So is the issue of material used such as 4340 and worse 8620. With a **Rockwell hardness of 26** the new 1911 A1's may be made today but fall to the same problems as in **1910**; they just do not wear and have to be put in a vice to tighten them up. It suggests nothing is being presented different than 100 years ago. But they DO have glow in the dark sights!!! Wow!!

But, one would have to say *maybe* that is what the **Marine Corps** wants; something less expensive with wear and greater accuracy not part of the objective; kind of a throw away gun. Certainly "**Close Quarter Battle Pistol**" suggests they want something "close" to use and they don't anticipate a further mission for the gun in question. That's valid. But I don't think the men that have to defend with a pistol shares that view.....

Can we talk? Let's talk about this business of Close Quarter Battle.

Well the business comes down to **who lives and who dies on a battlefield**. It comes down to how many men in a unit can **defend or engage an enemy** when armed only with a pistol; and if engaged, **how many men are going to die** with the issue pistol as their only protection.....Be there, done that!

As a **Marine Corps Hand to Hand Combat Instructor** let's look at the problem for a second. **A man with a knife can close and kill you within 12 feet** before you can draw and fire assuming you HAVE a round in the chamber of your pistol. 12 feet got that? **Beyond 25 yards a pistol heretofore has been just about worthless we agree?** Then we can say that a man armed with his **M9 is dead meat** (as they say) to a rifle shooting at him, even if a .22 pump beyond 25 yards. **If this is so, then the CQBP has a useful defense from 12 feet to 25 yards; and if the enemy has a knife at 12 feet or a rifle further than 25 yards, you've got trouble if not, in fact, a dead man.Really?**

Is **THAT CQBP** what you want to be armed with or a .22 automatic Browning Woodsman!! As the Sgt. Major said, "Give me the .22."

So we are back to the **Combat NCO .45** ah la dressed down to a CQBP in wolf clothing; what does it do?

Well it's not a 25 yard weapon for starters. And it is NOT Defensive in nature that's a good sign. It has a "**Defensive**" range of 2 feet and an "**Offensive**" range from 2 feet to 400 yards. It can provide cover fire to 650 yards without sight adjustment. (Official Army Military specification instructs the Extreme Range of a 1911 A1 .45 acp is 1,600 yards) I have personally shot a .45 acp in combat further than 1100 yards. Didn't hit anyone as I could see them in the clear but I will tell you that unit of VC moved out of my impact zone quick! (The Warriors United States Marines page 122 fired from that location)

Let's bring you up to speed a little. **What IS THIS 2 feet Defensive business you ask?** **The Rear Sight of a Combat NCO is a weapon by design.** It can be used in a "Defensive

pistol” mode good at 2 feet. It means that it was **designed** to kill a man silent or in Hand to Hand combat danger close. **The weapon NCO Sight is designed to kill you simple as that.** I wonder what **John Browning** would have thought about that shooting “at” rabbits in Utah with his model 1911?

And what then is this “**Offensive**” business? **It means that from 2 feet to 400 yards a man with an NCO can engage and enemy; take the Offensive against him even if he HAS a rifle. The Combat NCO pushes BACK the battlefield from 20-25 yards to a range that makes you equal in combat. The AK 47 “V” notch sight is an EVEN match for a Combat NCO on the side of a Military Marksman qualified shooter.**

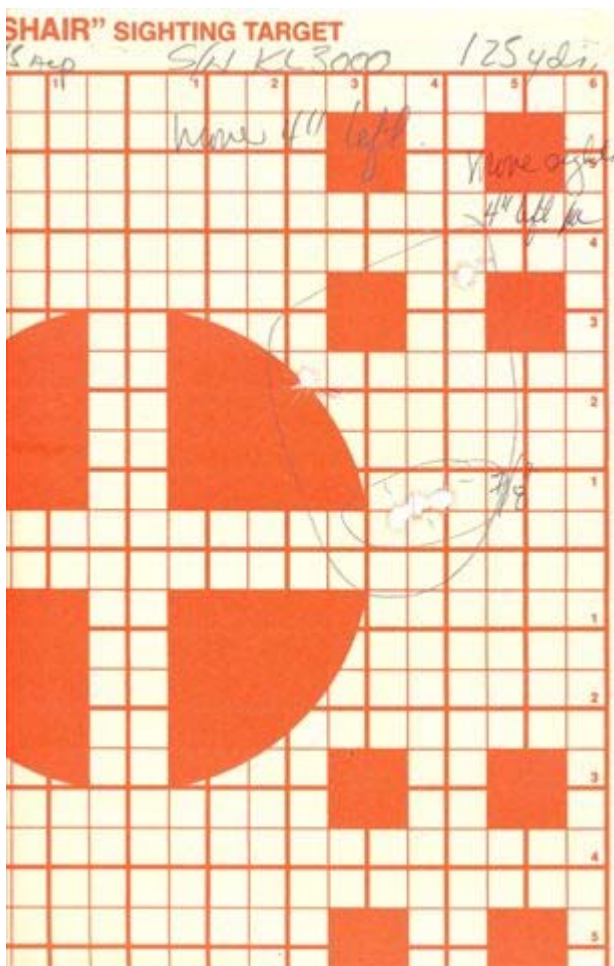


“You came at me with your AK47 at Cam Ne. I saw the shock on your face when the .45 took you down in dust. It wasn’t the best gun to have but all I had to use..” Cam Ne, Vietnam. It is where the Combat NCO was born.

So objectively speaking “Is THERE a competition” for the next **Marine Corps** hand gun? No, there never was. **There IS NO COMPETITION. The Combat NCO** pistol rules the battlefield. Let me be **REAL clear here** to there is no misunderstanding. **The most dangerous man on this earth with a pistol is the one holding a Combat NCO.** There is no pistol on this earth that can stand its ground down range of it; **PERIOD.**

Let me show you something. Here we have Karl Lippard, a 65 year old man shooting serial number KL3000 *Combat NCO* with 3,000 rounds already through it, (a borrowed gun) in front of **Wallace Bridwell, filmed on VHS tape** from a hand rest using 825 pfs cheap ammo, **in a 20 mph plus quartering wind, deliver a five shot group at 125 yd. laser measured distance. 2.9 inches five shot group with three rounds measuring 0.561" center to center.** That's open sight with Remington 230 grain FMJ ammo....Luck you say? Hummmm?

And what do you think Wally Bridwell said sitting in his truck seeing a man shoot from the kneeling position off the tailgate of his truck at **400 Laser measured yards hitting a 20" target?.....** "If three men were standing at 400 yards, one would have dropped every time you pulled the trigger." Hummmm?



No test rounds. At 125 Laser measured yards a used Combat NCO in the hands of a 65 year old Marine Shot a 2.91" five shot group Texhoma, TX 6/10/2010 off a tailgate of a truck. Witness Wally Bridwell.

You now have been educated on what a pistol **IS** and what it **Is NOT**. The **Combat NCO** rules the battlefield surely and the first pistol to do so in history. **BUT**, its parts will **bring back online all existing military 1911's** and many that were hereto thought to be unserviceable with "**NCO**" *interchangeable parts, Frames and Slides*" saving **YOU** the taxpayer **hundreds of millions of dollars**. It will allow our men and women to **take the fight to the enemy**, to give us the security of **proper protection** on our hip, allow them to **extend to safety; and bring them home, ALIVE**. The lives saved in wounded and dead **makes the *Combat NCO* a free weapon. It's freeeeeeeee!!!**



This is Serial Number KL3000 Combat NCO that at 3,000 rounds shot 400 yards open sight. At 5,000 rounds using bulk ammo shot 13" at 200 yards in a Ransom Rest shown elsewhere on this website under Testing. A borrowed gun.

If **NOT** the **Combat NCO** in military selection, bring a weapon to meet its criteria. Give us the **BEST** weapon America has to offer. Our men and women in combat understand what has been said here and that **Marine Sgt. Karl Lippard leads the way; he WAS a Combat NCO**. UUUraah! And, Semper FI!

(Factoid: The Frame and Slide of the Combat NCO is 11 times stronger than the BARREL of a WWII 1911 A1. 318,000 psi! No pistol or rifle ever MADE is stronger than a Combat NCO frame and slide.)



A home photo of Wally Bridwell's Combat NCO "Officers Dress" model. They are all hand finished classic pistols. The finest pistols on this earth