

## 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 normally 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 called a Navy Model to look like this.**

**It has been published that Karl Lippard Designs, was “competing” *they say* with Colt’s 1911 A1. We have answered numerous emails in general to say we do not MAKE a 1911 A1 pistol. We make a patented 1911 A2 therefore no competition could exist.**

The “Competition” says the pistol of choice must be made in the USA or as much as 75%. But I think those emails concerning the interchangeability of components and parts is the most valid argument. Others do not. Certainly castings are troublesome under stress

of cold and heat. A low tech pistol. We can do that and it is appropriately called a Government model. The issue is of material used such as 4340 and worse 8620 case hardened steel from the 1800's. With a **Rockwell hardness of 26** the new 1911 A1's may be made today but fall to the same problems as those made in **1910**. They just do not wear and have to be put in a vice from time to time to tighten them up. The military would suggest nothing is being presented different than **100 years ago**. But the new spec 1911 A1's, they DO have glow in the dark sights! Glow at least for 1 minute or so.

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. They don't anticipate a further mission for the gun in question. That's valid criteria. However, I don't think the men that have to defend with a pistol share that view against a rifle.....

## **Can we talk a minute? Let's talk about this *business* of Close Quarter Battle.**

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 their issue pistol as their only protection.....and 25% of every unit is armed with a PISTOL!

As a former 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 1911 pistol heretofore has been just about worthless do we agree?** Then we can say that a man armed with his **M9 9mm 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 are a dead man standing. ....**Really? Why is that an appropriate handgun?**

Is a **CQBP** what you want to be armed with? Or wouldn't a better choice be .22 automatic **Browning Colt Woodsman!!** As a 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 600 yards without sight adjustment. (Official Army Military specification instructs the Extreme Range of a 1911 A1 .45 acp to be 1,600 yards) I have personally shot a .45 acp in combat further than 1100 yards. Didn't hit anyone. I could see the enemy in a clearing when I fire and 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 Combat NCO "2 feet Defensive distance" you ask?

**The Rear Sight of a Combat NCO is an offensive weapon by design.** It can be used in a "Defensive pistol" mode at 2 feet. It means that it was **designed** to kill a man silent or in Hand to Hand combat danger close unloaded at that distance. The weapon's NCO Rear Sight is designed to kill you; simple as that. I wonder what **John Browning** would have thought about that statement when shooting "at" rabbits in Utah with his model 1911? I don't think it ever entered his mind.

And what then is this "**Offensive**" term business?

It means that from 2 feet to 400 yards a man with an NCO can engage an enemy; take the Offensive against him even if the enemy HAS a rifle. The Combat NCO **pushes BACK the battlefield** from 20-25 yards to a range that makes you equally armed in combat. The AK 47 "V" notch sight is **an EVEN match for a Combat NCO close**. Beyond 75 yards a Combat NCO military *Marksman* has the advantage.



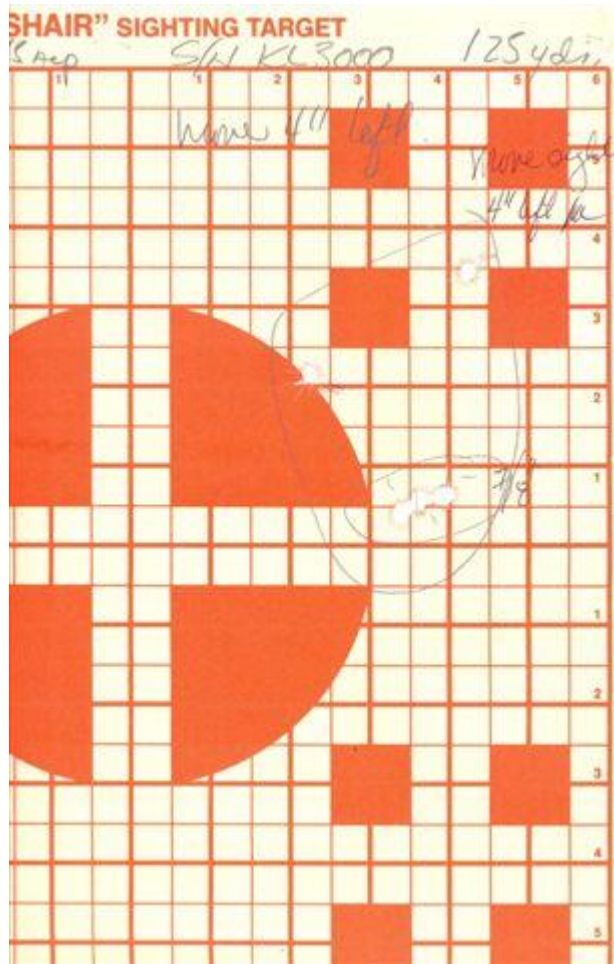
**“You came at me with your AK47 at Cam Ne. I saw the shock on your face when the .45 took you down in the dust. A 1911 wasn’t the best gun to have, but all I had to use...Get them in close. Get them in close!” Cam Ne, Vietnam 1965.**

**It was where the Combat NCO was born.**

So objectively speaking “is THERE really a competition” for the next **Marine Corps** hand gun? No, I say there never was. There IS NO COMPETITION. The Combat NCO pistol rules the battlefield. Let me be **REAL** clear here so there is no misunderstanding. **The most dangerous man on this earth is one holding a pistol. A Combat NCO pistol.** Most will not be fortunate enough to identify it unless the first round is a miss. Only a fool waits for a second round. For only one pistol shoots that far.

Let me show you something. Here we have Karl Lippard, a 65 year old man at the time shooting serial number KL3000 *Combat NCO* with 3,000 rounds already through it, (a borrowed gun) in front of Wallace Bridwell of Texhoma, Texas; from a hand rest using 825 pfs cheap ammo, **in a 25 mph plus quartering wind, deliver a five shot group at 125 laser measured yards. 2.9 inch five shot group with three rounds measuring 0.561” center to center.** That’s open sight with Remington 230 grain FMJ ammo. Luck?

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



**(With 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 in Texhoma, TX 6/10/2010 off a tailgate of a truck. Three can be seen touching. Witness Wally Bridwell.**

You now have been educated on what a pistol **IS** and what a 1911 A1 **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 thought to be unserviceable with "**NCO**" *interchangeable parts*," 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 men **to** extend to safety; **and bring them home, ALIVE**. The lives saved in wounded and dead **makes the Combat NCO, a free weapon**. It never wears out, never depreciates.

**For our men in uniform, buy or lease one today. We'll finance over your tour of duty. Sell it back to us when you're done. We will welcome you both home.**





**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 website under “Testing.” It was a borrowed gun.**

If NOT the **Combat NCO** for our military selection, buy a weapon to meet NCO criteria. Give us the BEST weapon America has to offer. Our men and women in combat understand what has been said here. A Marine, Sgt. Karl Lippard, has demonstrated its capability and 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.)**



Combat NCO's can come with 5", 4.2" and 3 ½" interchangeable slide upper units. It can also can have a 5" caliber .22 HV Slide upper unit for practice or tactical use. Configuration change can be as little as 30 seconds.

Combat NCO 1911 A2 hold world records for fixed open sights at 500, 600 and 1,000 yards. Sgt. Karl C. Lippard, shooter.