

MARINE CORPS RECRUITING COMMAND TATTOO SCREENING FORM

NAME (Last, First, MI)	LAST 4 SSN or EDIPI	DATE

PART I. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this form is to ensure that you tell us the full extent of your tattoos, brands and/or body ornamentation. Refusal to complete the form will result in termination of your enlistment processing.

1. Does the applicant currently have, or ever had any tattoos, brands, body markings, or body ornamentation, or has the applicant ever had a tattoo, brand or body ornamentation **removed, concealed, covered or altered?**

YES	NO*

**NOTE: If the answer to question 1 is NO; move on to the Part III Certification block of this form. Questions 2-8 are not required. If the answer to question 1 is YES; move on to question 2. The MEPS Liaison may endorse the TSF as the reviewing officer when the applicant has NO tattoos or body markings.*

2. Does applicant currently have, or ever had body markings of any type that are exposed or partially exposed while wearing the standard warm weather PT uniform (shorts & shirt)?

YES	NO*

**NOTE: If the answer to question 2 is NO; move on to questions 5-8. If the answer to question 2 is YES; complete questions 3-8.*

3. Are any of the tattoos, brands or markings:

a. on head or neck (above collarbone in front, above seventh [C7] cervical [last] vertebrae in back or otherwise visible in open collar short sleeve khaki shirt with white undershirt or inside the mouth?

b. on hands, elbows, knees, or fingers (with exception of wedding band tattoo-not to exceed 3/8 of an inch), or within 2 inches of the wrists?

YES	NO

4. Are any tattoos, markings or ornamentations exposed while wearing the standard PT uniform:

a. Larger than the individual wearers hand with fingers extended and joined?

b. Band Tattoos, (cannot exceed 3 inches or the width of the individual's four fingers extended and joined, whichever is greater)?

c. Single band tattoo on one finger (greater than 3/8 of an inch)?

d. Excessive Tattoos (combined coverage must be covered by the individual wearers hand with their fingers extended and joined)?

YES	NO

5. Do any of the tattoos, markings etc., depict nudity, are they racist, eccentric, offensive in nature, or express an association with conduct or substances prohibited by the Marine Corps Drug policy, the UCMJ, to include tattoos associated with illegal drugs, drug usage or paraphernalia?

YES	NO

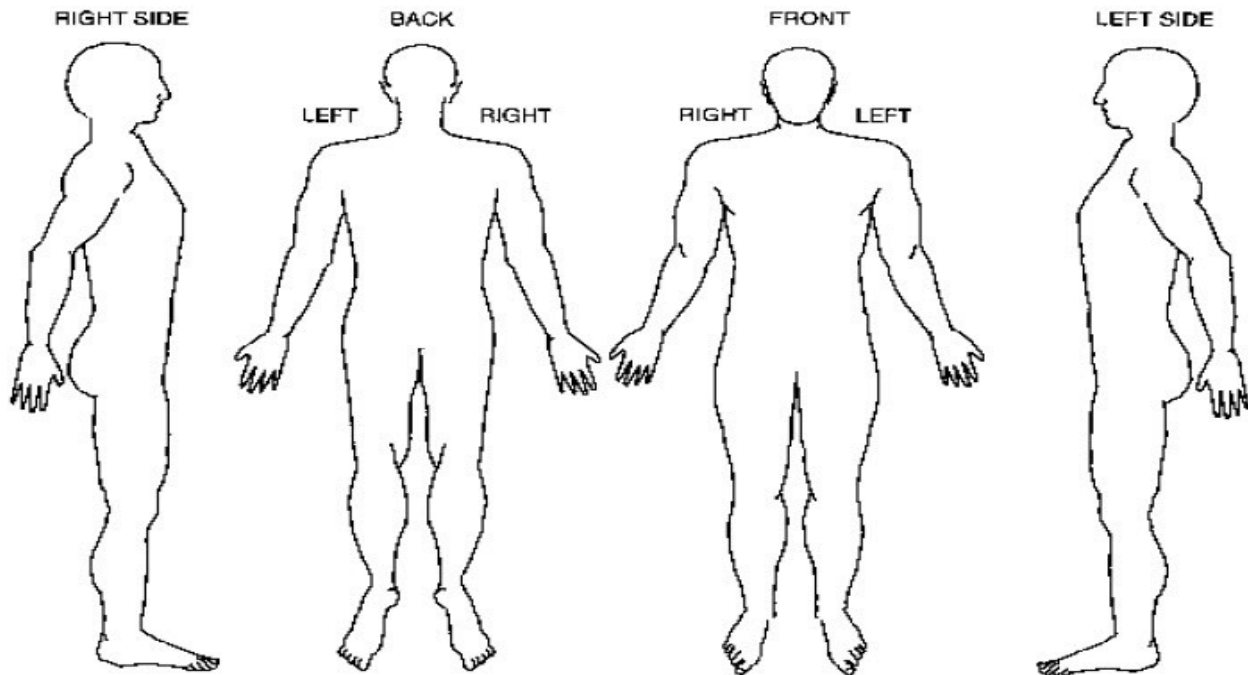
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6. Do any of the tattoos, brands or body ornamentation represent a gang membership or extremist group, advocate racial, ethnic, or religious discrimination, obscene, prejudicial to good order and discipline/morale or of a nature to discredit to the Marine Corps?	YES	NO	
7. Are any of the tattoos a result of a specific activity? (i.e. activity for membership initiation, or as the result of any violation of law(s)?	YES	NO	
8. Are there any body markings, ornamentation or mutilation (i.e. Tongue Splitting, etc), Ornamental Body Piercing(s), Holes in Ear Lobes (large enough for light to pass through opening), or Ornamental Implantations, (silicone implants on face, horns on the forehead, etc).	YES*	NO	

**NOTE: Remind applicants or officer candidates that all body piercings must be removed prior to shipment to Recruit Training Depots or Officer Candidate School.*

Location(s) of applicant's current, removed, concealed, covered, or altered tattoos, brands, markings, or ornamentation and applicant's statements will be documented in Part II of this Screening Form. Removed, concealed, covered or altered tattoos need to be annotated as such (i.e. removed) with full description of the original marking.

PART II. DOCUMENTATION

The section below will be used to document any tattoo identified as a "YES" in section I. Identify the location of the tattoo by placing the tattoo number on the body silhouette below. Standard full body photos in green on green along with the tattoo photo(s) are required and can be inserted by clicking in the square provided and selecting the appropriate photo. If additional space is needed use the addendum to this form.



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FRONT PROFILE	REAR PROFILE	
LEFT PROFILE	RIGHT PROFILE	

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TATTOO NUMBER ONE		TATTOO NUMBER TWO					
					Size (in inches)		
					Description		
					Location		
					Reason for review		
TATTOO NUMBER THREE		TATTOO NUMBER FOUR					
					Size (in inches)		
					Description		
					Location		
					Reason for review		

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Applicant Personal Statement for each tattoo identified above:
**NOTE: Each statement will identify the corresponding tattoo number above and answer the following questions in the applicants own words:*

What does the tattoo look like (detailed description)?
When, Where, and Why did you get this tattoo?
What does this tattoo personally mean to you?

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PAR III. CERTIFICATION		
I certify that I have completely disclosed the full extent of my tattoos, brands or body ornamentation to include those removed or altered.		
Printed Name of Applicant or Candidate	Signature of Applicant or Candidate	Date
Printed Name of Recruiting Rep or Certifying Officer	Signature of Recruiting Rep or Certifying Officer	Date
PART IV. REVIEW		
This section to be filled out for all Non-Prior service and Prior service enlisted and officer applicants.		
<p>(1) If the applicant responded "Yes" to question 1 and/or 2, the tattoo must be reviewed to determine eligibility and proper level of review. If the applicant responded "Yes" to questions 3 through 8, the applicant is ineligible (with the exception to the band tattoo authorized on one finger) for enlistment or commission without a Region CG or MCRC CG level adjudication review.</p> <p>(2) Digital photos are required for all reviews. Photos are not required of applicants with upper or lower torso tattoos covered by the standard warm weather physical training uniform (green on green) as it lies naturally on the body. Applicants will hand draw pictures of upper and lower torso tattoos indicating size, content and location. Under no circumstances will any applicant be photographed in less clothing than the green on green uniform.</p> <p>(3) All questionable body markings in regards to content, size, number or location (current or removed) will be forwarded to the appropriate authority for approval and review. Check appropriate review authority:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Recruiting District</u>: Review tattoos for applicants applying for PLC, OCC, and Four Year NROTC Scholarship programs.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Marine Corps Recruiting Command</u>: Review tattoos for applicants applying for all other commissioning and Warrant Officer programs.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>RS review</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Region CG adjudication required</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>OIC or above review (PSR)</u></p>		
Commissioned Officer's Reviewing Comments:		
NAME/SIGNATURE OF COMMISSIONED OFFICER	RANK	BILLET
ALL QUESTIONABLE BODY MARKINGS REGARDING CONTENT, SIZE, NUMBER OR LOCATION WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE APPROPRIATE DECISIONING AUTHORITY FOR APPROVAL/REVIEW.		

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PART V. RECERTIFICATION		
Have there been any changes to Part I of this Tattoo Screening Form after the date of signing Part IV?	YES	NO
<p>I certify the information previously given on the Tattoo Screening Form remains the same and I have Cross-checked tattoos and drawings with DD Form 2808 Medical Examination, Block 37 documents for consistency. If any change is indicated, parts I through IV will be completed and forwarded to the Commanding Officer or appropriate authority prior to shipment to recruit training or request for appointment.</p>		
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Printed Name of Recruiting Rep or Certifying Officer	Signature of Recruiting Rep or Certifying Officer	Date