

# Substance Abuse Policy Statement

## Commanding Officer

### Marine Artillery Detachment



-People are this unit's most valuable asset.

-Drug and alcohol abuse can undermine good order and discipline, destroy Families, prevent mission accomplishment, and most importantly, harm or kill people.

-We are all responsible to prevent, identify, and facilitate treatment of substance abuse. This requires engaged and informed leadership at all levels. If a member of the MARDET Family needs help with substance abuse, we must get them the required support.

-The MARDET Substance Abuse Control Officer (SACO) is GySgt Jordan, and he can be reached at (580) 442-8655. If a member of the MARDET Family is struggling or has concerns about controlled substances, please talk to your chain of command, the MARDET SACO, or someone else you trust. Don't keep it to yourself.

-Illegal drug use will not be tolerated, and any confirmed use will be processed via appropriate administrative or judicial proceedings.

-You must be 21 years of age to legally purchase and consume alcohol.

-It takes a strong person to recognize a problem and seek the help required to get on the path of personal and professional growth. Recognizing and handling substance abuse is not easy. If you choose to fight for your own well-being, you will be empowered to win.

-We win on the battlefield because we trust individual warfighters to make timely, effective decisions. That trust starts long before the first shot is fired.

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