

ACTION ITEM NO: 2-96

DATE SUBMITTED: 19 SEP 94

SUBMITTED BY: CG FIRST MAW (ALD-E)

PROBLEM:

Inspection criteria set forth in MIL-HDBK 138A, Container Inspection Handbook for commercial and military intermodal containers (dry cargo type), is deviated from during inspection of MFs. At the present time there is no official document authorizing deviation from MIL-HDBK 138A and establishing inspection criteria for MFs. Dock side CSC inspectors can refuse the loading of MFs that do not meet those requirements documented.

RECOMMENDATION:

Incorporate criteria for MFs in the MIL-HDBK 138A and in the certification class for intermodal dry cargo container inspectors. Ensure MIL-HDBK specifies the difference between a cargo container and a mobile facility.

STATUS: 18 SEP 95

ACTION AGENCY:

NAVAIR 3.6.4.1

Open. Awaiting publication of latest MIL-HDBK 138A, Container Inspection Handbook, with incorporated CSC MF inspection criteria and included changes to the classroom lesson-plan utilized at the CSC school in Savanna.

NEW COMPLETION DATE:

16 APR 96

STATUS: 19 APR 96

ACTION AGENCY:

NAVAIR 3.6.4.1

Open. Still awaiting for the latest publication of MIL-HDBK138A, Container Inspection Handbook, with the CSC MF inspection criteria incorporated.

NEW COMPLETION DATE:

01 OCT 96

STATUS: 07 AUG 96

Open. Awaiting for latest publication of subject MIL-HDBK 138A, Container Inspection Handbook.

NEW COMPLETION DATE:

01 APR 97

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STATUS: 04 OCT 96

Open. Over the course of a number of years, it became evident that additional descriptive information, containing visual representations of acceptable and unacceptable containers was needed. This, obviously, was due to the variation in the inspectors judgments. The U.S. Army Defense Ammunition Center and School (USADACS) was tasked to provide a revision to MIL-HDBK-138. This was accomplished, published and adopted as the Department of Defense (DOD) standard for ammunition-compatible intermodal freight containers, i.e., MIL-HDBK-138A.

Then due again to apparent confusion between inspectors when applying the ammunition-related inspection criteria for

non-ammunition containers to be used for carrying general cargo, the Military Traffic Management Command Eastern Area (MTMC-EA) Container Fleet Division tasked USADACS to again revise the handbook to include criteria for these non-ammunition containers. While in this process, USADACS was contacted by U.S. Army Natick Research, Development and Engineering Center (NRDEC) to include inspection criteria for shelters, etc., i.e., MIL-HDBK-138B.

The present status of MIL-HDBK-138B is that the narrative portions are nearly completed and pages formatted for proper placement of various figures. The figures, of course, being the graphical representation of examples of acceptable and unacceptable portions of the various types of containers. Assuming that there will be no further delays, USADACS plans to have a draft ready for review by 15 October 1996. The draft will be staffed out for comments for 30 days. Constructive comments received will then be incorporated and the handbook will be staffed with the assigning office of MTMC-EA and the U.S. Transportation Command (TRANSCOM). Estimated date of distribution of the completed and approved publication is second quarter Fiscal Year 97. The POC at SIOAC-DET can be reached at DSN 585-8075.

COMPLETION DATE:

01 APR 97

STATUS: 10 JUN 97

Open. A meeting will be convened during 4th Quarter FY-97 to finalize revision B of MIL-HDBK-138A, Container Inspection Handbook.

NEW COMPLETION DATE:

01 OCT 97

STATUS: 27 AUG 97

Open. A meeting will be convened during 1st Quarter FY-98 to finalize revision B of MIL-HDBK-138A, Container Inspection Handbook.

NEW COMPLETION DATE:

15 FEB 98

STATUS: 01 APR 98

Open. NATICK will generate letter April 98 to United States Army Defense Ammunition Center and School (USADACS) Headquarters, Military Traffic Management Command (HQMTMC) to revise school syllabus to reflect CSC requirements for ISO shelters and to update MIL-HDBK-138B.

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NEW COMPLETION DATE:

01 NOV 98

STATUS: 27 OCT 98

Open. A letter was sent to U.S. Army Defense Ammunition Center and School to request the ISO shelter inspection-criteria added to their curriculum.

COMPLETION DATE:

01 MAR 99

STATUS: 28 APR 99

Open. No current status to date.

STATUS: 15 JUL 99

NEW ACTION AGENCY:

COMNAVAIRSYSCOM (Code 3.1B.4)

Open. No current status to date.

STATUS: 15 DEC 99

Open. Still awaiting to have ISO Shelter inspection-criteria added to U.S. Army Defense Ammunition Center and School curriculum.

COMPLETION DATE:

19 APR 00

STATUS: 05 MAY 00

Open. The ISO Shelter inspection-criteria has been added into the U.S Army Defense Ammunition Center and School curriculum, also, incorporated into the MIL-HDBK-138B, Container Inspection Handbook. A 90% In-Process-Review (IPR) is scheduled during 4<sup>th</sup> Qtr FY-00 and Validation/Verification soon thereafter.

COMPLETION DATE:

01 OCT 00

STATUS: 15 NOV 00

Open. A 90% (IPR) results are to be provided along with a Validation/Verification of MIL-HDBK-138B soon thereafter.

COMPLETION DATE:

15 FEB 01

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STATUS: 08 FEB 01

Open. Still awaiting Army's Validation/Verification of MIL-HDBK-138B.

COMPLETION DATE:

15 JUL 01

STATUS: 16 MAY 01

Open. A meeting was held on 24 April 2001 by MARCORSYSCOM to review the Test Plan proposed by NAWC Lakehurst and the U.S. Army Soldier Systems Center. The Test plan will be used to validate the allowable damages to be incorporated into the MIL-HDBK-138B. Once Funding is acquired, testing will begin and upon completion, the MIL-HDBK-138B will be released.

COMPLETION DATE:

TBD

STATUS: 27 JUN 01

Open. Pending the verification of new Repair Criteria, a Tri-Service Committee Member is to have incorporated into the MIL-HDBK 138B the extended-allowable Damage Criteria.

COMPLETION DATE:

01 DEC 01

STATUS: 13 FEB 02

Open. Still pending the verification of new Repair Criteria, a Tri-Service Committee Member is to have incorporated into the MIL-HDBK 138B the extended-allowable Damage Criteria.

COMPLETION DATE:

15 AUG 02

STATUS: 13 FEB 03

Complete. COMNAVAIRSYSCOM Code 3.9.4 provided required information for the NAVAIR Mobile Facilities (MF) for incorporation into the MIL-HDBK 138B. The MIL-HDBK 138B has added more information and Inspection Sheets for (MF)'s. The MIL-HDBK 138B has been completed and published, hence, this Action Item 2-96 is completed. If the MIL-HDBK 138B still does not meet the requirements of the Fleet Units, a new Action Item is required to be submitted for subsequent changes to the MIL-HDBK 138B.