

Reenactment of The Battle of Corydon

July 9-10, 2011

Military Rules and Regulations

No Alcoholic Beverages are allowed. This rule will be strictly enforced. Violation of this rule will result in expulsion from the encampment, the battlefield and all activities related to the weekend's commemoration.

Age Limit- For participation on the field or to carry a weapon (in All service branches) participants must be 16 years old. The only exception is functioning musicians, who must be at least 12 years old. For artillerymen, members of gun crews in positions 1 through 4 shall be at least 16 years old. All participants under the age of 18 must be under the supervision of a parent/legal guardian, who will sign a consent form at registration. All participants must be properly trained in Casey's or Hardee's tactics.

Uniforms & Accouterments-Uniforms and equipment shall be appropriate for the Western Campaign impression of the Union Army and the Army of the Tennessee. Authenticity will be conducted by the representative military organizations.

Weapons-Infantry-military issue two or three band black powder muskets. This does not include Hawkins or Zouaves. Ramrods will be carried on the field but never drawn. NCO's are responsible for insuring that the troops do not draw the rammer. Fouled pieces will be given to a file closer who will be allowed to pull his rammer, from the file closer position, in order to clear the piece. Cavalry-carbines are encouraged. Artillery-only authentic reproductions will be allowed on the field. Pistols-may be carried by officers, NCO's, and artillerymen. No Wunder-wads are allowed in revolvers. All weapons shall be in good working order with functioning half-cock and a hammer screw. Weapons inspections shall be conducted by the respective military organizations each day of the event. Military organizations have the right to refuse weapons on the field if found operationally unsafe or inappropriate for this period.

Note: Unauthorized discharge of weapons will not be tolerated. All firing of weapons must stop after 7:30 p.m., (except for night firing of artillery which must be cleared by the Battle of Corydon Committee Coordinator). This includes artillery, cavalry, and infantry.

Edged Weapons-Knives carried will be of period and secured in a period sheath. At no time will knives be drawn on the field. Bayonets should be carried by all enlisted men, but fixed only by order of a Commanding Officer. At other times they shall be secured in a proper scabbard. The scabbard must have a metallic tip for all bayonets carried on the field.

Ammunition-Powder will be carried in the form of properly rolled cartridges. A properly rolled cartridge is defined as one rolled in soft type paper with no more than 80 grains of ff or fff black powder. Penny wrappers, heavy bond paper, plastics, staples, or tape will not be used for rolled cartridges. Percussion caps and cartridges will be carried in authentic cap pouches and cartridge boxes. Under no circumstances will projectiles of any kind be on the site. Violators will be taken off the premises by local law enforcement officials for the duration of the event-no excuses or exceptions.

Military Organization-Unit commanders are responsible for the conduct of their unit and shall be held equally responsible for the misconduct of any of his troops. Troops shall obey all responsible orders of the designated military commanders.

Camps-All fire pits must be filled in and trash properly bagged and deposited in dumpsters regularly.

Personal Conduct-No Alcohol or illegal substances will be allowed or tolerated.

Unit Commanders are responsible for their men's actions at all times!!!

Special Rules and Guidelines for Cavalry

Health Records-a current EIA Test (Coggins) is required for each animal per state and event regulations. You will be checked at registration before entering the site. If you have no paperwork or it is not up to date your animal will not be allowed on the site. Current Flu, rhino, and Tetanus vaccinations are highly recommended for each horse.

Artillery Brigade Safety and Authenticity Regulations

Only full scale Civil War era artillery pieces will be allowed a powder ration of \$150 dollars, and this is given only to the first 3 units that pre-register. Full scale pieces are considered to be at least 57 inch high wheels, and the correct bore size for that piece. Mountain Howitzers (of less than 4.62 inch bores) will be allowed. No mortars are allowed except for demonstrations arranged in advance. All artillerists must be safety qualified. All artillery pieces are subject to inspection by artillery commander.

Raid on Downtown Corydon - On Saturday, June 25, at noon, there will be a reenactment of Morgan's march into downtown Corydon. This scripted event is under the direction of MB Production Services. Those interested in participating may contact Mr. Morgan Raque in advance or onsite.

All safety rules will be enforced.

The Battle of Corydon Committee Coordinator will be responsible for the inspection of units prior to and during the event to insure safety regulations are followed.

Each unit commander is responsible for the conduct of his unit and shall be held responsible for misconduct of any unit member. Also, the chief of the piece or unit commander is responsible for the discipline of the gun crew, safe operation of the piece, and carrying out of orders from the overall commander.

A cannon crew shall consist of a minimum of four men over the age of 16 in positions one through four, trained in original cannon drill.

No member of any cannon crew shall be allowed on his piece while under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages. Any member found to be under the influence shall be expelled from the event, no exceptions.

Tubes will be inspected and determined usable on an individual basis. All carriages will be inspected for general condition and determined usable on an individual basis.

Each cannon must be equipped with the following:

- A. Sponge/Rammer
- B. Worm
- C. Sponge Bucket (of period construction)
- D. Priming wire or Vent Pick (Of Non-Ferrous metals only)
- E. Thumbstall
- F. Artillery haversack
- G. Primer Pouch
- H. Vent Brush
- I. Leather Gauntlets or gloves
- J. Ammunition Chest (Capable of being Locked)

Cannon rounds shall be made of black powder, not to exceed 3 ounces of Fg per inch of bore diameter. Powder shall be placed in aluminum foil, double wrapped. No rounds shall be rolled on the field. No steel wool will be fired from the artillery piece. Powder to be used must be 1F or Cannongrade. Failure to follow the rules will result in expulsion from the field.

Only friction primers or other approved primers shall be used to fire cannon.

There shall be no firing of artillery pieces after 7:30 p.m.(except night firing which must be cleared with the Battle of Corydon Battlefield Coordinator). Firing will be allowed at designated areas. No firing of pieces will be allowed in camps, unless cleared with the chief of artillery.

While in the field the ammunition chest shall be placed at least 25 feet to the rear of the trail. All powder shall be kept in the chest except for rounds being delivered to the chest. The lid of the chest shall remain closed and the chest locked at all times except when rounds are being removed, during inspections, or when work is being done inside.

A 100 yard minimum safe firing distance to any forces shall be maintained at all times.

The bore of the cannon shall be thoroughly sponged with water and wormed after each round is fired.

In case of misfire, proper failed primer drill will be utilized. In the event the primer will not fire the round, the vent and bore will be flooded and the round wormed after a five minute wait.

Infractions of these rules could result in the person or unit being removed from the field or event.

Items provided free of cost:

Two meals

Water

Hay

Wood

Straw

Military Ball at Hayswood Nature Reserve

Items will be provided at designated locations. Registration will give instructions on how to obtain these items.

Safety is our number one priority. Please use common sense, and most of all have fun.

All Rules shall strictly be enforced and periodical inspections will be made by the Battle of Corydon Committee