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MEMORANDUM FOR JOINT COMMITTEE ON TACTICAL SHELTERS (JOCOTAS)

SUBJECT: Joint Standardization Board (JSB) for Tactical Shelter and Expeditionary Basing Systems

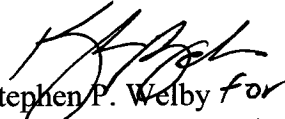
The attached revised charter establishing the Joint Committee on Tactical Shelters (JOCOTAS) as the JSB for Tactical Shelter and Expeditionary Basing Systems under the Defense Standardization Program (DSP) is approved. The objective of the DSP is to achieve common, mutually satisfactory solutions to shared requirements and problems.

The JSB will:

- Develop and improve joint processes and procedures to facilitate the design, development, and acquisition of prefabricated structures equipment/systems and expeditionary basing systems that are identical (to the maximum extent possible) and common, while maximizing interoperability;
- Authorize, approve, and manage the development and maintenance of specifications/standards (IAW DODM 4120.24. Defense Standardization Program Procedures) that support prefabricated structures, tactical shelters, special purpose covers, shelter accessories and expeditionary basing systems;
- Establish an effective Department-wide forum for interoperability, coordination, planning, and decision-making.

I appreciate your leadership in the DSP's efforts to achieve standardization and interoperability for tactical shelter and expeditionary basing systems.

My focal point for JSBs is Mr. Lloyd Thomas III, Defense Standardization Program Office, (703) 767-7588, Lloyd.Thomas@dla.mil.

  
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Attachments:  
As stated

**CHARTER**  
**DOD JOINT STANDARDIZATION BOARD (JSB)**  
**FOR**  
**TACTICAL SHELTER AND EXPEDITIONARY BASING SYSTEMS**

**Name of Group:** DOD Joint Standardization Board for Tactical Shelter and Expeditionary Basing Systems

**Purpose:** The purpose of the DOD JSB for Tactical Shelter and Expeditionary Basing Systems is to:

- Address the requirements of DODD 3000.10, Contingency Basing Outside the United States.
- Provide senior level visibility for standardization and interoperability initiatives.
- Establish Non-Government Standards or DOD standards (IAW DODM 4120.24, Defense Standardization Program Procedures) as applicable.
- Improve interoperability of joint and coalition forces.
- Provide materiel development standardization considerations to program offices and buying commands.
- Provide forum for recommending, creating and coordinating joint policy doctrine.
- Define joint doctrine, tactics, techniques and procedures.
- Establish standardized parts/components that have lowered costs, reduced inventories, shortened logistics chains and improved readiness.
- Develop joint solutions to issues that impact the tactical shelters and expeditionary basing domains.
- Facilitate funding for specific efforts/projects related to standardization and interoperability goals and objectives.
- Provide the interface for commercial/military integration.

**Process:** The DOD JSB for Tactical Shelter and Expeditionary Basing Systems will perform on a continuous basis those functions necessary to achieve standardization and interoperability objectives through the following:

- Participate in development of national and international standards.
- Promote commonality of component parts (as applicable) to enhance supportability.
- Promote standardization in designs for testing and evaluation.
- Interface with industry, academia and government agencies as needed to keep pace with progressing technology.
- Establish and maintain adequate and uniform technical records, i.e. background history and documentation.
- Provide mechanism for exchange of technical information among military departments, industry, and allied organizations as related to interoperability and commonality of equipment, components, and operational requirements.
- Facilitate coordination of draft documents with industry and industry associations to ensure quality and performance requirements meet the highest industry standards.

**Note:** The above stated duties will be added to the responsibilities of the existing Joint Committee on Tactical Shelters (JOCOTAS).

**Authority:** DODM 4120.24, “Defense Standardization Program (DSP) Procedures,” September 24, 2014; and DODD 3000.10, “Contingency Basing Outside the United States,” January 10, 2013.

**Membership:** The Board is composed of representatives from all affected Military Departments, Defense Agencies, and other federal government agencies. Industry, industry associations, and academia may be invited as subject matter experts to facilitate solution development. The Chairperson will be selected from the principal DOD/Federal Government members and rotated on a cycle determined by those members.

**Meetings and Procedures:** The JSB will meet a minimum of twice each fiscal year in open general sessions to perform the group’s mission or upon request by a voting principal member. The Chairperson will select the JOCOTAS Executive Secretary. Meetings will be scheduled by the JOCOTAS Chairperson or by the Executive Secretary, if so delegated, to accommodate attendance by members. Representation from the principal member organizations at the action officer level (05/06 or civilian equivalent) will ensure Board effectiveness. Functional area and interested organizations will be invited to open general sessions. A list of prioritized items will be made a matter of record in the general session and assigned an OPR to complete tasks as designated by the JOCOTAS Chairperson. The Chairperson has the authority to schedule additional meetings or set up sub committees and working groups in coordination with the principal members, as required, to perform the group’s mission.

**Duration:** Serves as a continuous group until charter is cancelled.