



Commander's Intent for 2nd Battalion, 6th Marines

***Take care of the mission, our people and our gear –
do it with honor and integrity.***

We will take care of the mission: Mission accomplishment must be our first objective and ultimate standard.

- Tactically and technically proficient
- Physically and mentally tough
- Learn and execute our policies and procedures
- Be efficient and effective in staff action and troop leading steps

We will take care of our people: The mission will always be accomplished with, and through “our people.” Our “people” includes our Marines, Sailors and their families.

- Loyal to our country, our Corps, our unit and each other
- Personal and engaged leadership at every echelon
- Mutual respect, dignity, tactfulness and teamwork
- Sharpen our strengths and improve upon our weaknesses
- Hold each other to standard
- Guard our traditions and core values
- Conduct challenging, well-planned and well-executed training

We will take care of our gear: Our missions will always be accomplished with “our gear,” which includes all of the equipment and government property assigned to this unit or to its individual Marines and Sailors – it is all our gear.

- Good stewards of the gear assigned to this unit
- Personal and organizational excellence in the areas of accountability and maintenance
- Orders, directives and chains of custody are understood and executed
- Leaders inspect our gear frequently

We will act with honor and integrity: Our actions must consistently be guided by honor, integrity, and individual and unit discipline – these are imperative for mission accomplishment.

- **ACT** with character and integrity in the absence of guidance or during times of uncertainty
- Train and educate our leaders to know how to operate in uncertainty
- Seek guidance or clarification when time or mission allows – this requires judgment
- Protect our integrity and uphold our core values of honor, courage, and commitment

We will learn, honor and cherish the legacy of this battalion: For 97 years 2/6 has been ready to answer our nation's call – in peace and in war. We are the *Ready Battalion*. This is who we are and summarizes our organizational culture: Be Ready. Never Quit.

***LtCol James W. Lively, USMC
The Ready Battalion – Never to Quit***