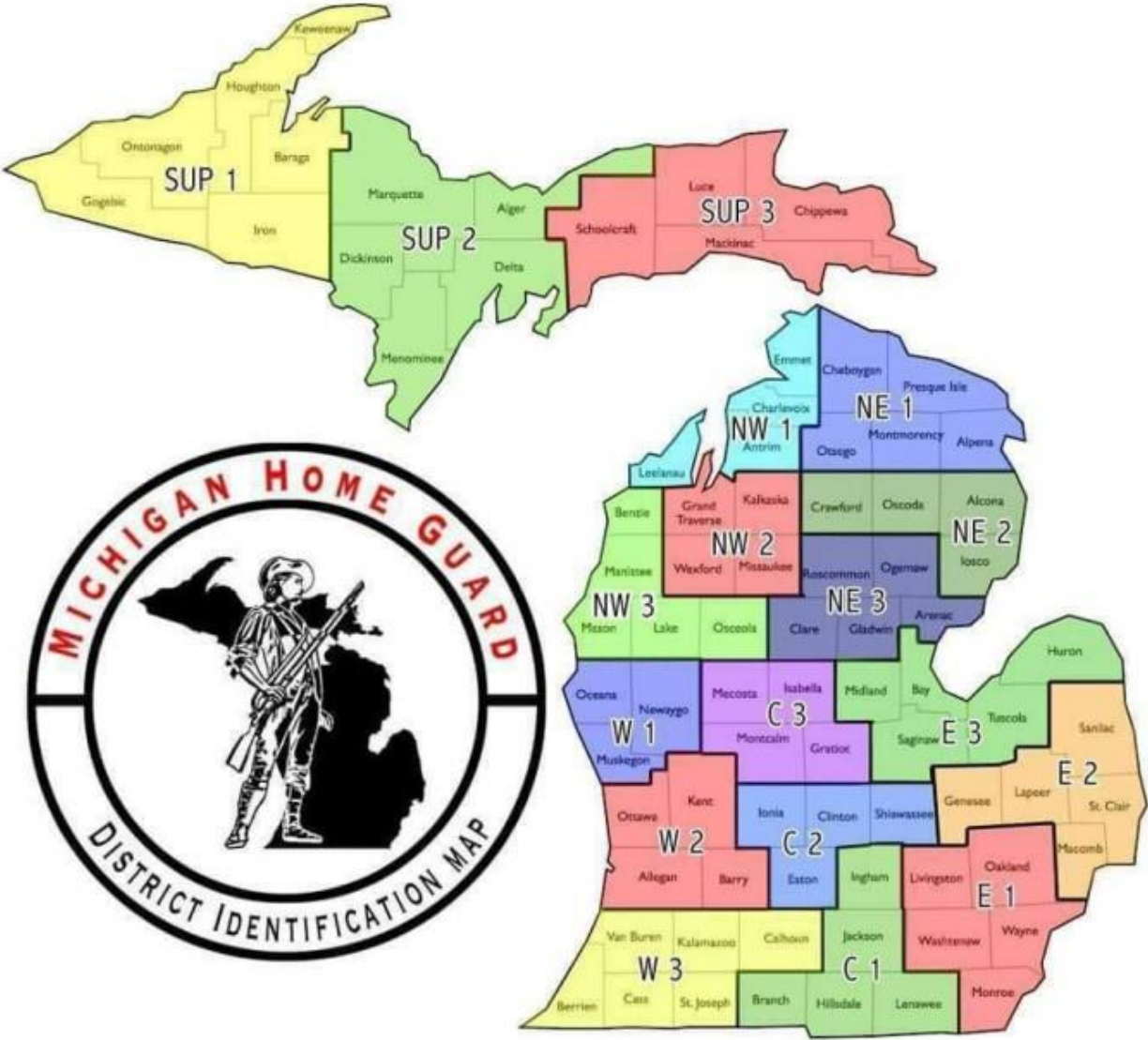


# Michigan Home Guard Welcome Packet



## **Michigan Home Guard Command Staff State-wide**

Commanding Officer: Oscar Foxtrot (Michael Wacyk)  
Executive Officer: Scot Colter (John Nevill on 1/1/2022)

### **Superior District**

Captain: none

### **Northwest District**

Captain: Don Church (Scot Colter on 1/1/2022)

### **Northeast District**

Captain: John Bates

### **Western District**

Captain: John Nevill (tba on 1/1/2022)

### **Central District**

Captain: Jeff Gilmore

### **Eastern District**

Captain: Joe Piontek

## **WELCOME LETTER FROM THE CO:**

Members:

Welcome to the Michigan Home Guard; Michigan's largest most prestigious preparedness group. The MHG is made up of "everyday people", professional and otherwise, freely sharing skills and knowledge with each other. The Home Guard trains in every facet of individual and team preparedness covering a number of topics from military tactics to homesteading and everything in between. Here are a few points to help you get the most out of this team of patriots.

- **Share your skills-** Everyone has some skill, knowledge and/or a passion to share with others, from which we all benefit. Regardless of your age or physical abilities, there's a place for you in the MHG.
- **Ask questions-** Make contacts and new friends. Get answers to questions you may have. Our members are happy to help you on your "preparedness" journey.
- **Expand your knowledge-** Our training's are diverse, covering many topics. Take notes and ask questions to get the most from training, regardless of the topic; also seek training's in different sectors and counties. Not all instructors share exactly the same information.  
**The MHG is a structured, WELL-REGULATED group. (See the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.** We use rank to help keep things operating in an orderly manner. Use this

system to get needed answers and to resolve any issue that may arise. Please start at the local level and work your way up as needed.

- **Sergeant-** Oversees operations within a county.
- **Lieutenant-** Oversees the operations of a sector which is comprised of several counties.
- **Captain-** Oversees a district made up of 3 sectors.
- **Major-** Oversees the state.
- **Colonel-** Oversees the state.

We believe the Michigan Home Guard has the ability to meet all your preparedness needs. Whether you are looking for individual and/or team preparedness, we cover it all. We encourage members to bring family to trainings with them. A family that trains together is safer together; and as an MHG member, your family just got a lot bigger. Again, welcome.

Commanding Officer  
Col. Michael Wacyk

## **THE PROCESS TO JOIN**

The process to become a member follows:

- 1- Obtain a MeWe account if you do not have one, at mewe.com. Ask the Commanding officer to be a contact: Oscar Foxtrot. (Colonel Michael Wacyk) He is the one with a photo of himself in full tactical gear.
2. You will be contacted by him within a day or two. He will ask you some questions about yourself, why you wish to join, etc. He will put you in contact with the officer in charge of your area.
- 3- Take the pledge, similar to what all military and government officials take. The difference is that we MEAN it and take it seriously, as do our Patriotic military members. You will be added to the MeWe page for probationary members.
- 4- Complete 90 day probation, meeting personally with your officers' as they wish.
- 5- Attend 2 training's within the 90 day probation period and complete weekly roll calls.
- 6- A vote of your fellow members in your District or Sector will be taken to approve your membership. At this time you will be added to our own website after you answer the questions, etc. at the registration button. [Www.michiganhomeguard.org](http://Www.michiganhomeguard.org)

## **THE DETAILS**

Aspiring members must request membership by officially pledging. To pledge, candidates must make their intention to join the Michigan Home Guard known by either verbally reciting the pledge to a ranking member of MHG or more commonly, present a written version of the pledge to a ranking member. Written pledges can be given to a ranking member in a physical form, either typed or handwritten. When pledging to become a Michigan Home Guard member, you are expected to use the official pledge shown below, only changing the appropriate portions to fit your personalized information.

## **THE PLEDGE**

I, (your name) of (your county) County, formally request membership into The Michigan Home Guard. I understand that this request requires me to Roll call weekly and complete a minimum of two training's in my 90 day probationary period. At such time, a vote will be taken for membership ratification. I also understand being a Michigan Home Guard member takes dedication and commitment. I embrace this obligation voluntarily and without any reservations.

(The date you filled this out/Pledge date)

(Candidate's name)

### **During Pledging**

As a candidate who has pledged, you are expected to train a minimum of two times within 90 days of your pledge date and complete weekly roll calls thru your chain of command.

### **Attending Events**

All events are posted on the MeWe Michigan Home Guard pro page along with being on the MHG web-page. All events are open to probationary and regular members wishing to come and gear is never required. Patriot family members and people well-known may attend with

permission of the officer in charge. Location, time, recommended gear and description of the training is all on the event page for the event. Please be on time, and ready for the day's training. If you ever have a question about an event please contact your chain of command.

## **Roll Call**

Roll calls are conducted weekly in the manner prescribed to you by your officer.

## **After Probation Period**

Once your 90 day probationary period is up, the members of your district will vote to accept or reject your membership. Provided you have met or exceeded the minimum attendance requirement and have demonstrated the character of a Michigan Home Guard member, you will be awarded membership and receive your official Michigan Home Guard patch at the next training you attend. From that point on, you are required to make the weekly roll call and attend a minimum of two trainings out of every three months to remain a member. If you do not meet those requirements, your membership will be revoked and you'll be required go through a one month probationary process again with 1 training and weekly roll calls. Unlike many other groups, there are no "dues" to pay or "annual membership fees." Any other questions you may have, feel free to contact a member of command.

## **MHG PATHS**

The MHG offers several specialized paths one may follow, or you may choose to be diverse and dabble in them all. Fields include medical, communications, tactical, logistics, and Administrative. A brief summary of each follows. For more information contact your district Captain, XO, or CO.

**Medical:** Medical training is offered at every training. We occasionally offer first aid/ cpr certification classes and have our own in-house certification program. Medical trainings range from environmental concerns, assessing patients, to gunshot wounds and applying Tourniquet. Interest in this field opens the door to combat medic, patient care, med-evac operations and more.

**Communications:** Communication training is offered at all training's. Training in communications covers a wide range of topics ranging from programming radios, proper use, preparation for licensing tests, to combat operations. Interest in this field can lead to being part of the state wide communications network, skills and knowledge can be obtained to complete the ham licensing tests, and combat operations.

**Tactical:** Tactical training's consist of; Patrolling, team operations, security, close quarters combat, escorting civilians and mounted operations to name some. Interest in this area can lead to fire-team member, fire-team leader, range safety and more.

**Administrative / logistics:** These areas are all about our image with the public, suppliers, and friends of the militia movement. Running websites, social media, gun show booths and organizing community events. All are vital to our image and preparedness endeavor.

**As you can see, the MHG has many options and opportunities for you and your family to grow. Let us know what you need and want. We look forward to working with you!!!**