OPERATION DUVAL

2ND BATTALION, 5TH MARINES

1st Marine Division | Republic of Vietnam | 19–25 May 1967 (Company E)

FIELD	DETAIL
Operation Name	Operation DuVal
Dates of Operation	19–25 May 1967 is the period during which Company E, 2/5 was under the 7th Marines for Operation DuVal. The 2/5 chronology does not give the operation's own start and end dates.
Mission Purpose / Objective	Not stated in the 2/5 chronology, which records only the attachment of Company E to the 7th Marines for the operation.
Locations / Cities	Not stated in the 2/5 chronology (7th Marines area of operations).
TAOR	Not stated; Company E left the 2/5 An Hoa TAOR for the 7th Marines.
UTM Coordinates	Not recorded in the 2/5 chronology.
USMC Units Involved	7th Marines, with Company E, 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines attached by the Commanding General, 1st Marine Division.
2/5 Companies Participated	Company E (Capt P. J. Blessing). Company F returned to the An Hoa Combat Base to replace it.
Mission Results	Not recorded in the 2/5 chronology. The loss of Company E for the week required Company F to return to the An Hoa Combat Base.
USMC KIA	Not recorded in the sources found.
USMC Wounded	Not recorded in the sources found.
Enemy KIA	Not recorded in the sources found.
Enemy Wounded	Not recorded in the sources found.

NOTES & SOURCE REFERENCES

COMPILED 20 NOVEMBER 2026 FROM PRIMARY SOURCES. This file exists because Company E is named in Operation DuVal and the operations list had no file for it. CAUTION ON SCOPE: the 2/5 chronology gives one paragraph: "On 19 May Company E was chopped OPCON to 7th Marines by CG, 1stMarDiv in conjunction with Operation DuVal and remained under the 7th Marines operational control until 25 May." The 7th Marines command chronology for May 1967 would hold the operation's details.

Primary source: 2/5 Command Chronology, May 1967, Part II narrative (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201048086, PDF p. 10). Originals: National Archives, RG 127 (National Archives II, College Park MD 20740; Marine Corps History Division, Quantico VA 22134).