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**S3430 SEMPER FI (USA, 4/1/2001) [TV]**

**Credits:** director, Michael W. Watkins ; writer, Jim Uhls.

**Cast:** Scott Bairstow, Steve Burton, Vicellous Reon Shannon, Alex Burns.

**Summary:** Military melodrama set at contemporary Parris Island, S.C. Filmed in 2000 as the pilot for a new 13 episode series on NBC focusing on the experience of Marine enlisted men and a disparate group of recruits during boot camp. There are Vietnam veterans among the Marine cadre. The network dropped the idea of a series but broadcast the pilot as a TV movie in 2001.

“NBC decides to air ‘Semper Fi’ as movie” Pittsburgh post-gazette (Mar 31, 2001), p. C9.

“ ‘Semper fi’ washes out at NBC” Daily news [New York] (Sep 19, 2000), p. 96.

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