

Grenades...

BEWARE OF FOG

THE FAST-OBSURANT SMOKE GRENADE (FOG) REQUIRES VERY SPECIAL HANDLING, AS IN GETTING RID OF IT AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE!



The FOG is a bursting-type smoke grenade that is designed to explode in as little as .3 seconds after its pin is pulled and its safety lever is released. That means you need to be throwing it as you release the safety lever. Two Soldiers forgot this and lost parts of their hands as a result.

Why does the FOG explode so fast? It gives you an immediate burst of obscuring smoke in combat, protecting you from the enemy.

The basic FOG (version 1.0) looks similar to the M8 and M83 burning-type smoke grenades. But it is distinguishable by its:

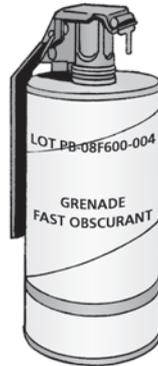
- fiberboard body
- flat top with four visible screw heads
- and its nomenclature, GRENADE FAST OBSURANT

The newer 1.2 version FOG also has a confidence clip on the fuze.

It is extremely important that you recognize a FOG and that you keep it separate from other smoke grenades.

Because of the hazards of all smoke grenades, when using them you should always wear ballistic eye protection, body armor, helmet, gloves and hearing protection (single protection when outside, double when inside—double protection is earplugs and a noise muffs headset). If you will be exposed to the grenade's smoke for longer than 15 minutes, you must also wear your M40 mask. If possible, put a barrier like a wall or tree between you and the blast to protect against fragments.

Learn to identify FOG grenades



NO SOLDIER SHOULD BE EXPOSED TO MORE THAN 27 GRENADES IN A DAY.

IF YOU'RE OPERATING INDOORS AND HAVE ONLY SINGLE HEARING PROTECTION, MAKE THAT NO MORE THAN ONE GRENADE PER DAY.

For more information on all grenades, see FM 3-23.30, Grenades and Pyrotechnic Signals; TM 43-0001-29, Army Ammunition Data Sheets—Grenades. For more info on FOG, see Ammunition Information Notices (AIN) 035-10 and 036-10:

<https://aeps2.ria.army.mil/commodity/ain/jmc/ain035-10.html>

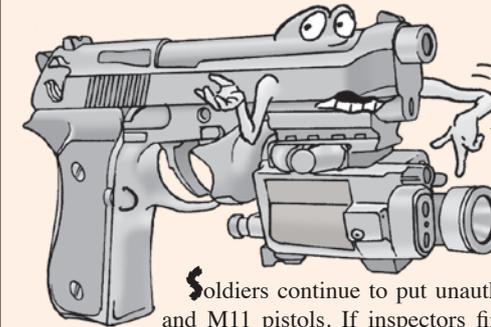
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For a FOG instruction card, contact Larry Baker at (404) 464-5576, DSN 367-5576, or email: larry.baker@us.army.mil

M9, M11 Pistols...

USE AUTHORIZED LASER POINTER



I HAVE AN AUTHORIZED LASER POINTER, SO PLEASE USE IT!

IF YOU USE AN UNAUTHORIZED POINTER, I END UP DEADLINED...

...WE DON'T NEED THAT TROUBLE!

Soldiers continue to put unauthorized laser pointers on their M9 and M11 pistols. If inspectors find an unauthorized laser on your pistol, they deadline the pistol.

You can avoid that trouble by just using the **authorized** laser pointer, the AN/PEQ-14 integrated laser white light pointer, NSN 5855-01-538-0191. It even has its own manual, TM 9-5855-1911-13&P, which is on the LOGSA ETM website:

<https://www.logsa.army.mil/etms/welcom1.cfm>

To mount the AN/PEQ-14 on the M9, use the M9 tactical rail grabber, NSN 1005-01-532-9847.

M2 Cocking Lever Correction

On Pages 18-19 in PS 694 (Sep 10), we got things backwards on what position the cocking lever should be in when you slide the M2 machine gun's bolt in the receiver. **The cocking lever should be forward.** If the cocking lever is to the rear, then the bolt gets stuck in the receiver. So, remember, push the cocking lever forward before you slide the bolt in the receiver.