Chapter 9-Weapons Lane

W1: Carbine/Rifle and Light Grenade Launcher

Part One-M4 Carbine/M16 Rifle

Based on:

071-COM-0032-Maintain an M16-Series Rifle/M4-Series Rifle Carbine

071-COM-0028-Load an M16-Series Rifle/M4-Series Carbine

071-COM-0033-Correct Malfunctions of an M16-Series Rifle/M4-Series Carbine

071-COM-0027-Unload an M16-Series Rifle/M4-Series Carbine

Task: Clear, load, fire until a stoppage occurs, perform immediate action, expend remaining ammunition, unload, and clear an M4/M16.

Condition: You are a member of a team conducting combat operations. You have a stoppage while engaging targets with your M4/M16.

Standard: Correctly perform all steps, in sequence, in 30 seconds or less.

Requirements: An M4/M16 with blank adaptor, sling, and optic/sights. Starting configuration for the weapon will be free of ammunition, bolt forward, on FIRE (SEMI/BURST/AUTO), and the trigger pulled. A magazine loaded with four blank rounds of ammunition and one inert/expended round. A target/safe direction for the Candidate to engage.

Hearing protection (part of the EIB uniform) must be worn when firing.

Candidate will start with the weapon in the low ready.

- 1. Clear the weapon.
 - a. Keep the weapon pointed in a safe direction. Attempt to place the weapon on SAFE.
 - b. Lock the bolt to the rear.
 - c. Pull the charging handle rearward. Press and hold the bottom of the bolt catch.
 - d. Allow bolt to move forward until it engages the bolt catch. Release the bottom of the bolt catch.
 - e. Return the charging handle to the forward position.
 - f. Ensure the receiver and chamber are free of ammo. Place weapon on SAFE.
- 2. Load the weapon.
 - a. Insert the magazine.
 - 1. Push the magazine upwards until the magazine catch engages.
 - 2. Tap upward on the bottom of the magazine to ensure the magazine is seated.
 - b. Chamber a round. The bolt should not be ridden forward.
 - 1. Press the upper portion of the bolt catch allowing the bolt to go forward.
 - 2. Tap forward assist to ensure that bolt is fully forward and locked. The weapon is now loaded.
- 3. Place the weapon on SEMI and begin engaging your target.
- 4. Perform immediate action.
 - a. Remove trigger finger from the trigger and ensure it is straight and pressed along the frame.
 - b. Forcefully tap upward onto the baseplate of the magazine with the heel of the non-firing hand.
 - c. Grasp the charging handle and rapidly retract it fully to the rear and release.
 - d. Reacquire target.
- e. Press the trigger. Continue to engagement if the weapon fires. **Proceed to clear the weapon if it does not fire.**
- 5. Clear the weapon.
- a. Point weapon muzzle in safe direction. Attempt to place weapon on SAFE. Remove magazine from weapon.
 - b. Lock the bolt open (if not already).
 - 1. Pull the charging handle to the rear. Press the bottom portion of the bolt catch.
 - 2. Allow the bolt forward until it engages bolt catch. Return the charging handle to the full forward position.
 - 3. Place the selector lever on SAFE (if not already).
 - c. Ensure that that no ammunition is in the receiver and chamber.
 - d. Return the bolt to the closed position.
 - 1. Press the upper portion of the bolt catch to allow the bolt to go forward.
 - 2. Close the ejection port cover.

Part Two-Light Grenade Launcher (M320)

Based on:

071-031-0002-Load an M320 Grenade Launcher

071-031-0003-Unload an M320 Grenade Launcher

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Task: Load, fire and unload an M320 Grenade Launcher. Unload and clear an M320 that has not been fired.

Condition: You are a member of a team conducting dismounted operations.

Standard: Correctly clear, load, and fire the grenade launcher in 20 seconds. Correctly unload and clear the grenade launcher in 20 seconds. You must not drop the 40-mm ammunition. All tasks will be performed in sequence.

Requirements: An M320 Grenade Launcher; may be attached to the same rifle/carbine used in Part 1; rifle/carbine must have an empty magazine. A target/safe direction for the Candidate to engage and a dummy/training round. If the EIB uniform does not include a grenade pouch, the station should provide appropriate load bearing equipment to properly secure the grenade. Use the appropriate set of standards based on the weapon system being used:

Load and Fire.

Candidate will start with the weapon in the low ready and the grenade secured in the appropriate pouch.

- a. Point the weapon in a safe direction.
- b. Ensure weapon is in "S" (safe) position.
- c. Press barrel release and pivot barrel out from receiver.
- d. Insert cartridge into barrel. Ensure the cartridge is seated fully forward in the rear of the barrel.
- e. Pivot barrel into receiver until barrel locking lever engages barrel. Note: There should be an audible click.
 - f. Move the selector lever to "F" (fire position). Engage your target.

Unload and Clear an Unfired Round.

Candidate will start from the last position in the previous task.

- a. Keep the weapon pointed in a safe direction, with trigger finger outside trigger guard.
- b. Move the selector lever to the "S" (safe) position.
- c. Press upward on barrel release lever and pivot barrel out from receiver.
- d. Remove any round or cartridge case by hand. Grasp rim of round or cartridge case. Pull rearward to remove round or cartridge case from the barrel.
 - e. Pivot barrel into receiver until barrel release lever engages barrel.
 - f. Ensure selector lever remains in "S" (safe) position.