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# ILBE Pouch Product Improvement



## Requirement

- Individual Load Bearing Equipment (ILBE) Capability Development Document (Change 2) 21 March 2007

## Background/Description

- As a critical element of the Marine's individual load, the ILBE pouches provides a stable platform for the carriage of equipment and supplies needed across the spectrum of individual and unit operations. The ILBE pouches are a series of robust, specialized pouches capable of carrying the basic ammunition load required to support and sustain the individual Marine during combat operations.

## Pouch Description

- **M16/M4 Speed Reload Magazine pouch**  
Designed to be sleek and accessible, this specialized pouch holds the Marine rifleman's first choice M16/M4 magazine.
- **M16/M4 Single/Double Magazine pouch**  
Designed to be the sustainment pouch for the M16/M4 Speed Reload pouch, this pouch holds up to two M16/M4 Magazines and is single magazine wide.
- **(9 mm) 15 Round Magazine pouch**  
Designed for modularity and accessibility, this pouch holds one 9 mm magazine.
- **40 mm Grenade pouch**

Designed for accessibility and modularity, and for all DODICS, this pouch holds one 40mm grenade.

- **Pop-up flare pouch**  
Designed with unit leader in mind, this pouch affords the user quick access to one pop-up flare.
- **M67 Grenade pouch**  
Designed to hold one M67 grenade, this pouch affords the user quick access and modularity.
- **12 Gauge Shotgun Shell pouch**  
Designed to hold ten 3 inch 12 gauge shotgun shells, this pouch affords the user the ability to breach three doors.
- **Multi Grenade pouch**  
Designed to be a multifunctional single grenade pouch, this pouch will hold one Smoke grenade, Thermite grenade, Star Cluster grenade or two Flash-bang grenades.
- **Squad Automatic Weapon (SAW) /Utility Pouch**  
Designed to be a multifunctional pouch, this pouch will hold one 200 round SAW drum or six 40 mm grenades or six M16/M4 Magazines securely.
- **"Dump" pouch**  
Designed to hold seven expended magazines, this pouch can be stowed out of the way during administrative operations.

## Future Initiatives

- Combat Vehicle Crewmen (CVC) chest rig. The CVC chest rig will afford the CVC the ability to remove and stow all ILBE pouches quickly and allow them to slick down their Modular Tactical Vest (MTV) to move more freely inside the vehicle

## Fielding

- These items are scheduled to begin fielding 1Q FY-08

### M16/M4 Speed Reload Magazine pouch "Dump" pouch

Issued 1 per ILBE

Unit	Acquisition Objective	Quantity Fielded	Percent Fielded
I MEF	43,605	0	0

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II MEF	47,239	0	0
III MEF	23,264	0	0
MFR	41,335	0	0
BPS	32,817	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>188,260</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## M67 Grenade pouch

Issued 2 per ILBE

Unit	Acquisition Objective	Quantity Fielded	Percent Fielded
I MEF	87,210	0	0
II MEF	94,478	0	0
III MEF	46,528	0	0
MFR	82,670	0	0
BPS	65,634	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>376,520</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## M16/M4 Single/Double Magazine pouch

Issued 3 per ILBE

Unit	Acquisition Objective	Quantity Fielded	Percent Fielded
I MEF	130,815	0	0
II MEF	141,717	0	0
III MEF	69,792	0	0
MFR	124,005	0	0
BPS	98,451	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>564,780</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## 40 mm Grenade pouch

Issued 3 per M203

Unit	Acquisition Objective	Quantity Fielded	Percent Fielded
I MEF	7,950	0	0
II MEF	8,130	0	0
III MEF	4,260	0	0
MFR	6,639	0	0
BPS	6,975	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>33,954</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Pop-up Flare pouch

### Multi Grenade pouch

Issued 1 per Unit Leader

Unit	Acquisition Objective	Quantity Fielded	Percent Fielded
I MEF	5,493	0	0
II MEF	5,378	0	0
III MEF	2,689	0	0
MFR	4,868	0	0
BPS	1,534	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>19,962</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Squad Automatic Weapon (SAW) /Utility Pouch

Issued 2 per M249

Unit	Acquisition Objective	Quantity Fielded	Percent Fielded
I MEF	4,496	0	0
II MEF	4,680	0	0
III MEF	4,554	0	0
MFR	7,852	0	0

BPS	7,448	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>37,032</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## 12 Gauge Shotgun Shell pouch

Issued 1 per Shotgun

Unit	Acquisition Objective	Quantity Fielded	Percent Fielded
I MEF	1,824	0	0
II MEF	1,863	0	0
III MEF	978	0	0
MFR	465	0	0
BPS	1,599	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,729</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## (9 mm) 15 Round Magazine pouch

Issued 2 per 9mm

Unit	Acquisition Objective	Quantity Fielded	Percent Fielded
I MEF	21,750	0	0
II MEF	22,220	0	0
III MEF	11,660	0	0
MFR	3006	0	0
BPS	19,070	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>77,706</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Supply and Logistics

- TAMCN TBD
- All pouches are COTS items
- Berry Amendment and Buy American compliant.
- M16/M4 speed reload, M16/M4 Single/Double, M67 grenade and "Dump" pouches are SL3 to the ILBE
- 40mm Grenade, Pop-up Flare, Multi grenade, 9mm, Shotgun shell and SAW pouch are organizational property

## Production

- The Resource Center - M67 Grenade pouch
- Fire Force M16-M4 Single Double pouch
- ADS 40 mm Grenade pouch
- Eagle 9mm Grenade, Multi Grenade and Shotgun pouch
- Quantic Arms Pop-up Flare and SAW pouch
- Specialty Defense M16/M4 Speed Reload and "Dump" pouch

## Manuals

N/A

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