



U.S. Navy Small Arms Ammunition Advancements

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**7.62MM Special Ball, Long Range
MK 316 MOD 0
DODIC: AB39
NSN: 1305-01-567-6944**



7.62MM Special Ball, Long Range

Shortfall

- Accuracy inconsistencies in the M118LR cartridge were identified
- Joint working group failed to correct deficiencies

Objective

- NSWC Crane tasked to develop a cartridge to better meet user requirements
 - Consistent lot to lot accuracy (Minute of Angle (MOA))
 - Function in new and existing gas operated sniper weapons



MK 11 MOD 2



MK 17 Sniper Support Rifle (prototype)

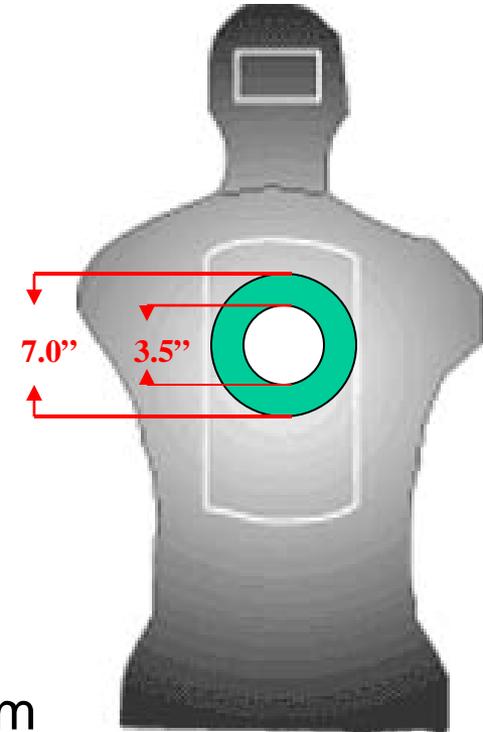
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Objective (continued)

- Flash reduction

Specification Development

- Accuracy requirement based around 10 round shot groups
 - 7.0 in extreme spread max avg @ 600 yds (1st Production Lot)
 - 3.5 in extreme spread max avg @ 300 yds (after 1st Production Lot)
- Velocity standard deviation 15 fps maximum
- A lower value equates to less vertical extreme spread at long range



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Specification Development (continued)

- Flash reduced and temperature stable propellant
 - Comparable performance -25 F to +165 F
- Each production lot consists of a single lot of projectiles, cases, propellant, and primers
 - Ensures consistency across lots



Accuracy Test Equipment

Solicitation for Contract

- Full and open competition
- Projectile open to weights of 150 to 200 grain
- Product bid samples tested for:
 - Accuracy, Pressure, Velocity, etc

7.62MM Special Ball, Long Range Development



- Desired performance requirements communicated:
 - Accuracy, accuracy, accuracy...
 - Function & casualty and muzzle flash requirements in both bolt action and semi-automatic rifles
 - Extreme temperature stability
 - Supersonic past 1,000 yards, etc.
- Federal Cartridge has over 25 years experience with Gold Medal brand of match ammunition



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Cartridge Case:

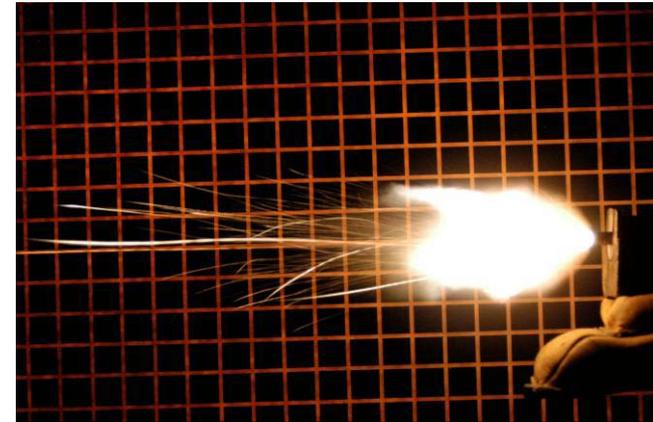
- Developed a new, 7.62mm Match Cartridge case from our experience with 308 Win. Gold Medal match cartridge

Primer:

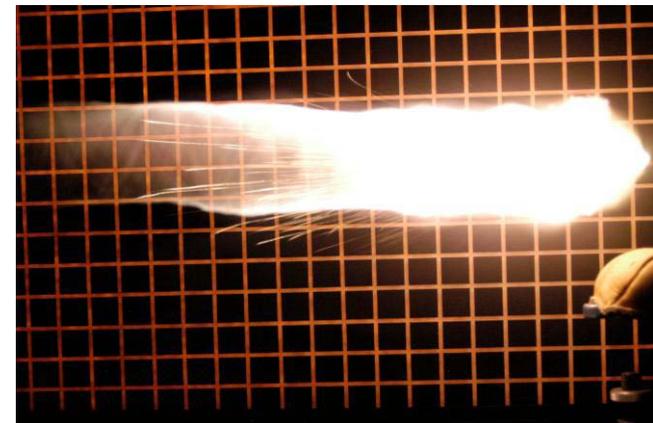
- Federal Cartridge Company's Gold Medal Match Primer was selected

Projectile:

- Over 15 different projectile designs were tested
- Sierra MatchKing, 30 caliber – 175 grain projectile was selected



FCC Gold Medal Match Primer Assembly (Lead Styphnate based)



Other Match Primer Assembly (Excessive Flame from Over-Pressure from PETN)

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Propellant

- Over 20 different existing propellants and new propellant blends were evaluated
- A modified extruded propellant was utilized

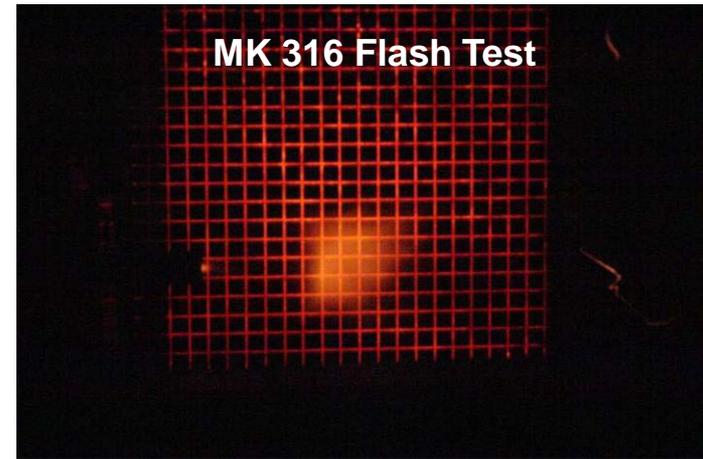
Manufacturing Process:

- Cartridge can be assembled on conventional high speed loading equipment
- Unique quality controls and test plan were established for manufacturing this cartridge

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Results

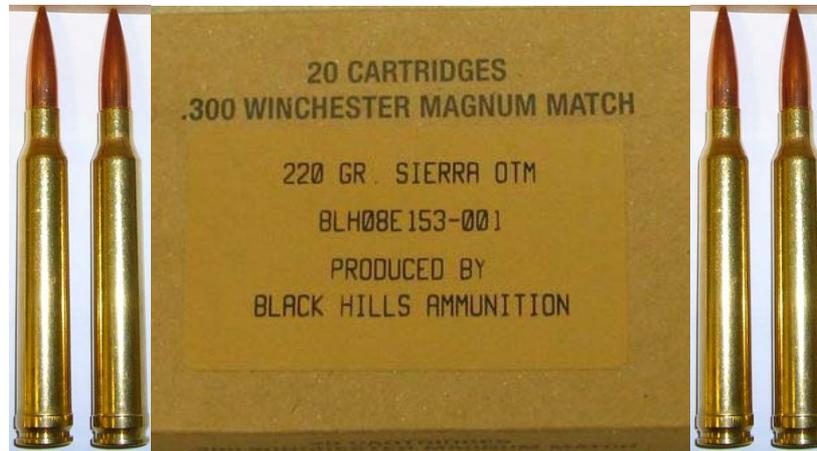
-  Contract award to FCC
-  175 grain Sierra MatchKing® Projectile
-  Propellant stable across operational temps
 -  -25 F to +165 F
-  Reduced flash propellant
-  Performance consistency



MK 316 New Production Lot Acceptance Results

| LOT # | 600 Yard Accuracy (in) | 300 Yard Accuracy (in) | Velocity Std Dev (fps) |
|---------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| FCC09A750-001 | 4.8 | | 11 |
| FCC09B750-002 | | 1.612 | 15 |
| FCC09B750-006 | | 1.833 | 14 |
| FCC09C750-007 | | 1.859 | 13 |
| FCC09C750-008 | | 1.721 | 13 |

**.300 Winchester Magnum Match
Product Improvement (PIP)
MK 248 MOD 1
DODIC: AB43
NSN: 1305-01-568-7504**



.300 Win Mag PIP

New Requirement

- The current 190 gr. .300 Win Mag cartridge, DODIC A191, has a published effective range of 1200 yds (1100 m).
- New requirement established a 1500 yds (1370 m) effective range
- Initial tasking was to develop a 250 gr. .338 Lapua Magnum cartridge.

Objective

- Extend effective range from 1200 yds to 1500 yds (1370 m)
- Decrease the effect of wind drift on the projectile
- Flash reduced and temperature stable propellant -25 F to +165 F

.300 Win Mag PIP

RDT&E

-  Research indicated that objectives could be met with .300 Win Mag
-  Obtained prototypes
 -  210 gr. Sierra MatchKing® VLD .300 Win Mag
 -  220 gr. Sierra MatchKing® .300 Win Mag
 -  250 gr. Scenar .338 Lapua Mag
 -  250 gr. Sierra MatchKing® .338 Lapua Mag
 -  300 gr. Sierra MatchKing® .338 Lapua Mag
-  Pressure, velocity, and 1000 yd accuracy testing conducted

.300 Win Mag PIP

RDT&E (continued)

Results

Accuracy

 All rounds performed similarly with exception of the 300 gr. .338 Lapua Mag.

Velocity

 Comparable velocity retention between 250 gr. .338 Lapua Mag and 210/220 gr. .300 Win Mag

| Mean Values | .300 Win Mag | | | .338 Lapua Mag | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | 190 gr. Sierra | 210 gr. Sierra | 220 gr. Sierra | 250 gr. Sierra | 250 gr. Scenar | 300 gr. Sierra |
| Muzzle Velocity (fps) | 2,936 | 2,864 | 2,879 | 2,831 | 2,814 | 2,701 |
| Velocity @ 1000 yds (fps) | 1,470 | 1,557 | 1,550 | 1,594 | 1,544 | 1,657 |



.300 Win Mag PIP

Down Select

- **220 gr. Sierra MatchKing® .300 Win Mag**
- **Meets objectives**
- **Can be fired in existing weapons**
- **Less sensitive than the 210 gr. VLD**
- **Comparable accuracy and velocity retention to the 250 gr. .338 Lapua Mag**
- **Significant cost savings over the .338 Lapua Mag**



MK 13 MOD 5



.300 Win Mag PIP

Results

- Increased effective range to 1,500 yds
- Reduced wind deflection
- Propellant stable across operational temps (-25 F to +165 F)
- Comparable accuracy to existing A191
- Contract estimated award of June 09





5.56MM

**Cartridge, Caliber 5.56mm Ball,
Carbine, Barrier**

MK 318 MOD 0

DODIC: AB49

NSN: 1305-01-573-2229

7.62MM

**Cartridge, Caliber 7.62mm
Ball, Rifle, Barrier**

MK 319 MOD 0

DODIC: AB50

NSN: 1305-01-572-8492





5.56MM & 7.62MM Enhanced

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-  **AA53 MK 262 & MK 12 Special Purpose Rifle (SPR) Fielded late FY01 (Post 9/11)**
-  **Post 9/11 reports of ineffective ammunition (specifically M855 w/M4A1)**
-  **April 02 received funding for terminal study (M855, MK 262, M193, M995 and COTS 87 gr.).**
-  **Joint Service Wound Ballistics (JSWB) IPT 1st meeting 28 April 03.**





5.56MM & 7.62MM Enhanced

5.56MM & 7.62MM Enhanced (Continued)

- **SCAR JORD included “Enhanced Ammunition”**
- **Enhanced ammunition program funded July 05**
- **Developmental contract awarded to ATK Sept. 06.**
- **Key performance characteristics derived from knowledge obtained from participation in JSWB IPT**
- **SOST developmental contract final report & proof of concept rounds delivered August 07.**





5.56MM & 7.62MM Enhanced

Objective

- **Develop ammo & weapon as a SYSTEM**
- **Incorporate lessons learned from JSWB IPT.**

Performance

- **Consistency; shot to shot & lot to lot.**
- **Accuracy, Combat - NTE 2 MOA.**
- **Intermediate barriers; auto glass/doors.**
- **Terminal, specifically CQC & behind barriers.**
- **Cost; as close to current rounds as possible.**



Enhanced Cartridge Development



- Desired performance requirements communicated:
 - Behind barrier performance
 - Function & casualty and muzzle flash requirements in short barrel carbines
 - Extreme temperature stability
 - Accuracy, waterproof, cartridge configuration, etc.
- Federal Cartridge Company has over thirty years experience working with military and law enforcement customers on developing custom projectiles
- Testing begun with ATK and externally manufactured projectiles against performance requirements

Enhanced Cartridge Development



- New projectile developed from technology utilized in current law enforcement projectile
 - Front of bullet is designed to help defeat barrier
 - Back of bullet is solid copper and acts as a rear penetrator
- Short barrel propellant was specifically designed for this cartridge configuration
- Test results are positive
- Cartridge is compatible with various 5.56mm and 7.62mm firearms
- Projectile can be manufactured on conventional bullet assembly machinery and it can be assembled on high speed loading equipment



5.56mm Ball, Carbine,
Barrier - MK 318 MOD 0



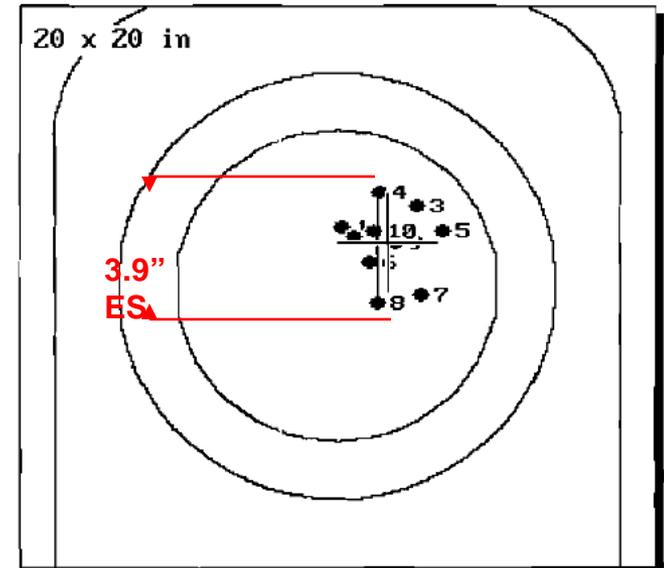
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5.56MM & 7.62MM Enhanced

Accomplishments

- ✓ Consistency; shot to shot & lot to lot
- ✓ Accuracy, combat - NTE 2 MOA. (600 yds)
- ✓ Intermediate barriers; auto glass/doors.
- ✓ Terminal, Specifically CQC & behind barriers
- ✓ Cost: as close to M855 and M80 as possible.

ACCURACY



5.56 Enhanced 300YD
3.9 IN. EX. SPREAD



5.56MM & 7.62MM Enhanced

AB49, MK 318 MOD 0 (5.56MM Enhanced)

-  62 grain OTM (reverse draw jacket) bullet
-  Temp stable flash reduced propellant
-  Not yaw dependant
-  Optimized for MK 16 (14" BBL)
-  2925 fps @ 15'

AB50, MK 319 MOD 0 (7.62MM Enhanced)

-  130 grain OTM (reverse drawn Jacket) Bullet
-  Temp stable flash reduced Propellant
-  Not yaw dependant
-  Reduced recoil (10%)
-  Optimized for MK 17 (16" BBL)
 -  2925 fps @ 15'
 -  2750 fps @ 15 (13" CQC BBL)





5.56MM & 7.62MM Enhanced

Scheduled Availability

- **260K rounds 5.56MM, 750k rounds 7.62MM under a one year Limited Release to support MK 16/17 LRIP fielding**
- **Safety Testing for full type qualification in process. Completed by Sept. / Oct. 09**
- **Contract Award – Nov. 09 / May 10 (will know more by 5/8/09)**
- **Initial contract deliveries, full fielding capability – 1st/2nd Qtr 10.**





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