



TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



Public Service Announcement

Air Force Flares and Munitions

Thursday, October 13, 2022

BEWARE OF FLARES and MUNITIONS! DO NOT HANDLE or TOUCH!

What is a flare? A (decoy) flare is an aerial infrared countermeasure to counter an infrared homing ("heat seeking") surface-to-air missile (SAM) or air-to-air missile (AAM). Flares are commonly composed of a pyrotechnic composition based on magnesium or another hot-burning metal, with burning temperature equal to or hotter than engine exhaust. The aim is to make the infrared-guided missile seek out the heat signature from the flare rather than the aircraft's engines



LUU 2 Illumination Flare

These are aircraft-launched, parachute-retarded illumination flares. Initiated by parachute deployment. Used for night search and attack missions.



M206 Flare

MJU-7 Flare

Israeli M206 Flare





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FLARES and MUNITIONS are to be handled ONLY by Military Explosive Specialist!



Flares and Munitions are used for training purposes but still have potential to be dangerous.

If you think you may have found a flare or munition follow the 3Rs:



Recognize – when you may have encountered a munition and that munitions are dangerous.

Retreat – do not approach, touch, move or disturb it, but carefully leave the area.

Report – call 911 and advise the police of what you saw and where.

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If You Find a Flare, Please Call 911

or

Tohono O'odham Nation Police Department – (520) 383-3275

or

Tohono O'odham Nation Environmental Protection Office – (520)

383-8681
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