

# Munitions Are Dangerous



# Follow the 3Rs of Explosives Safety at Fort Novosel

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### What Are Munitions?

# Munitions are military weapons, ammunition or supplies. Examples include:

Artillery & Mortar Rounds



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### Bombs



### **Small Arms Ammunition**

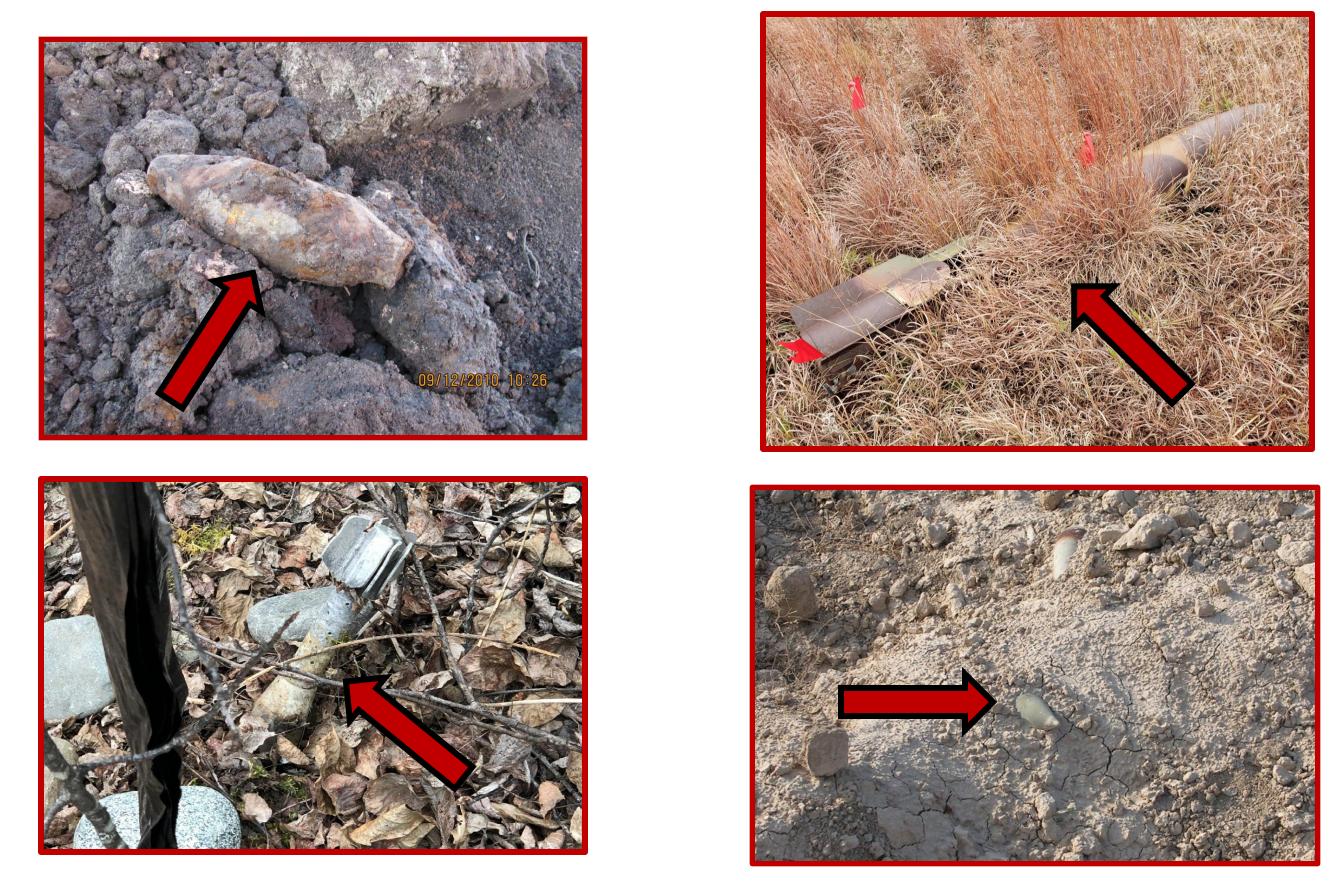




### Grenades



### **Some Munitions Are Hard To Identify** U.S. ARMY



### Photos: Munitions that blend into the environment.

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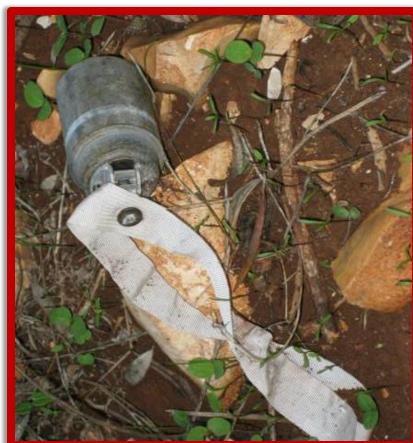


### **Munitions Vary In Appearance U.S. ARMY**

Munitions are dangerous regardless of appearance:

- Munition type, shape, size, age, or condition doesn't matter.
- Flares, simulators, and blasting caps are all dangerous.
- Souvenir munitions can be dangerous.















### **Artillery Projectiles**



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### Used

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### Rockets





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### U.S. ARMY **Simulators and Practice Munitions**

Simulators and practice munitions used for training contain explosive charges that can cause serious injuries.

















### What is UXO?

### What is Unexploded Ordnance?

As defined in 10 U.S.C. 101(e)(5)(A) through (C), the term "unexploded ordnance" means military munitions that:

- (A) Have been primed, fused, armed, or otherwise prepared for action;
- (B) Have been fired, dropped, launched, projected, or placed in such a manner as to constitute a hazard to operations, installations, personnel, or material; and
- (C) Remain unexploded, whether by malfunction, design, or any other cause.













### **Souvenir Munitions**

## Souvenir, UXO, Dud, Training Round, War Trophy...No matter what you call them, they can be deadly!





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### **Magnet Fishing**

Magnet Fishers Pull Trash, and Treasure, From the Depths Below



Magnet fishers who found 86 rockets at Fort Stewart appear in court





### **Magnet Fishing and Metal Detecting are strictly** prohibited on Fort Novosel

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### **The DANGER Is Real!**

Munitions are dangerous. Personnel have been killed or injured by munitions at Fort Novosel over the past 80 years.

Personnel also have been injured or killed from munitions at other installations.











### **Brief History of Fort Novosel**







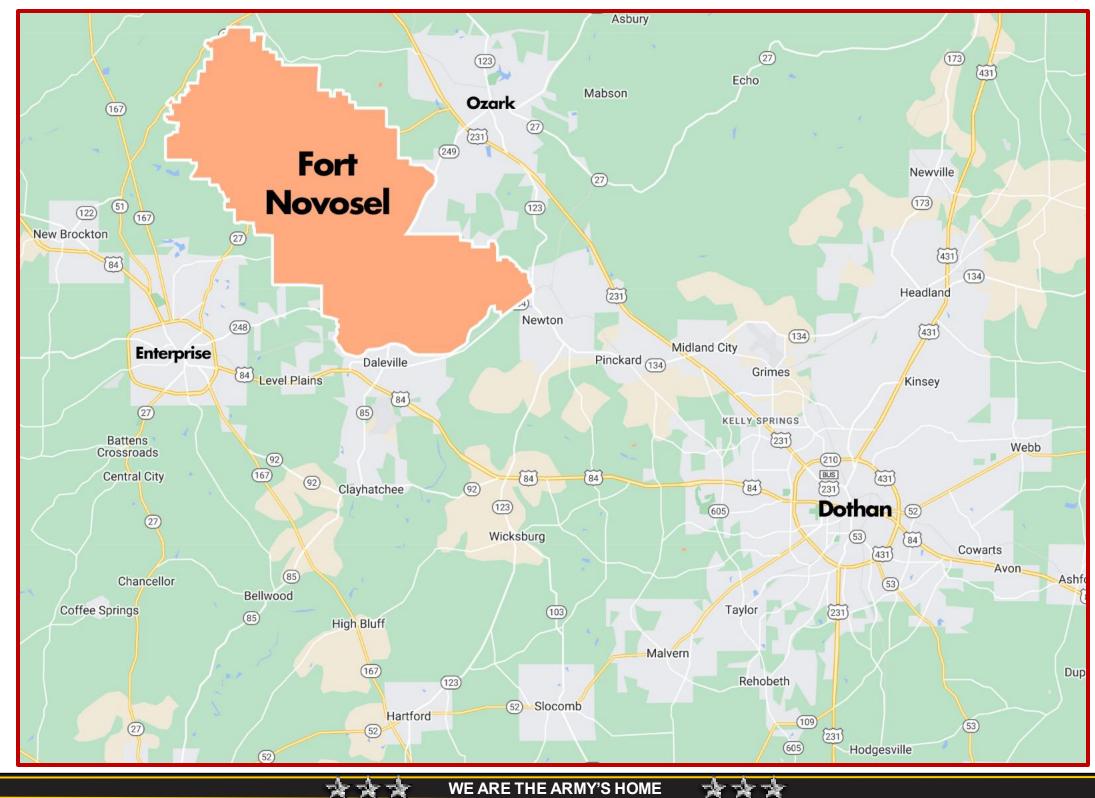
2.75-inch Rockets Fired from Apache Guardian, Fort Novosel Photo by LTC Andy Thaggard, October 2022





### **Munitions Encounter Areas**

Munitions may be encountered anywhere past or present military training occurred. Current range boundaries do not necessarily reflect where munitions may be found.









### What Does Fort Novosel Do To Help **Prevent Munitions Incidents?**

- Controls authorized access to ensure the safety of personnel who have a need to enter an operational range or impact area.
- Conducts periodic security patrols to enforce access controls in place at ranges and impact areas and to keep unauthorized people out.
- Posts warning signs around munitions areas.
- Provides explosive safety awareness briefs to units, contractors, and visitors.
- Monitors the appropriate amount of explosives used in training.







### **Examples of Warning Signs**

**Trespassing on areas** with warning signs that say "Do Not Enter" or "Keep Out" on Fort Novosel:

- is hazardous and prohibited by law.
- may result in substantial fines.
- may result in injury or death.











### S. ARMY Follow the 3Rs of Explosives Safety

Be safe, and help keep your family, friends, and community safe by following the 3Rs of Explosives Safety!

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### What To Do If You Encounter Munitions



Munitions are dangerous and may:

- not look like a bullet or bomb.
- be shiny or rusty.
- be clean or dirty.
- look harmless, but they are dangerous.

Regardless of whether a munition has been moved, it may still explode.



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### What To Do If You **Encounter Munitions**



- Do not approach, touch, move, or disturb it, but carefully leave the area the same way you entered.
- In remote surroundings, mark the general area where you encountered a munition, so local authorities can locate it. DO NOT go closer to a munition when marking the area.







### What To Do If You Encounter Munitions



### Anywhere on Fort Novosel

• Call Range Operations: (334) 255-4303

### <u>Off-Post</u>

• Call 911

Authorities will clear the area and trained Explosive Ordnance Disposal or EOD personnel will dispose of the munition.

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# https://3Rs.mil

- General Educational Resource Materials (Posters, Safety Guides, Fact Sheets, Videos)
- Self-Guided 3Rs Training
- Gallery of Photos
- Information for Kids & Families, Military & Their Families, Communities, and Workers
- Safety Clubhouse Games for Kids
- **Contact Us Page**









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