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M240/GPMG

7.62×51 mm NATO



Specifications

Caliber
Max Effective Range
Effective Range
Rate of Fire (Cyclic)
Weight (Complete Gun)
Length (Complete Gun)
Barrel Weight
Barrel Length

7.62x51 mm NATO 1800 Meters (1968 yds) - Iron Sights 3725 Meters (4075 yds) 650 - 950 rpm 11.79 kg (26 lbs) 1263.25 mm (48.75 in)

3 kg (6.6 lbs) 630 cm (24.8 in)

Weapon

U.S. Ordnance M240 GPMGs are manufactured using new production U.S. made components. All parts are interchangeable with existing M240 / GPMG components. The M240B 7.62mm Machine Gun is a very reliable, fully-automatic, gas-operated, belt-fed, crew-served weapon. The M240B is the U.S. Infantry version, equipped with a folding bi-pod, pintle mount, forestock and accessory rails to mount optics and target illuminators. The pintle mount allows tri-pod and vehicle mounting. The M240C coaxial version is used in all U.S. armored vehicles. The M240D/H spade grip version is being fielded to Army utility and cargo helicopter units. The M240G is in use by the U.S. Marines. The M240B provides the accurate and effective sustained rate of fire required to suppress and destroy enemy soft targets.

The M240D 7.62mm machine gun is a left hand feed, gas operated, air cooled, fixed head space weapon. The M240D has two possible configurations: aircraft and egress (ground). In the aircraft configuration the M240D has a front and rear sight and a trigger group which accommodates the spade grip device. The ground configuration involves the installation of an Egress Package which is designed to provide downed aircrew personnel with increased fire power. The Egress Package contains a buttstock assembly, a bipod assembly, and a conventional trigger assembly. The M240D is issued for aircraft configuration. The barrel assembly contains a three position gas plug. The first gas plug position allows the weapon to cycle at 750 shots-per-minute (SPM). The two remaining ports increase the SPM by 100 each (I.E., gas port position 2 = 850 SPM; gas port position 3 = 950 SPM). The aircraft configured M240D weighs 25.6 lb. and is 42.3 inches long. The egress configuration weighs 26.2 lb. and is 49.0 inches long.

M240D



The M240D, a variant of the M240, has two possible configurations: aircraft and egress (ground). The aircraft configured M240D has a front and rear sight and a trigger group which accommodates the spade grip device. The ground configuration involves the installation of an Egress Package or "infantry modification kit" which is designed to provide downed aircrew personnel with increased fire power. The M240D is an upgrade of the M240E1, primarily in the addition of an optical rail on the receiver cover.

M240C



The M240C is the variant of the M240 that is currently used on the U.S. M2 and M3 Bradley armored fighting vehicles. The M240C is identical to the M240 except for the ammunition feed cover and feed tray.

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