



AMMUNITION

Sub-Working Group on Major Equipment

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Bangladesh-9	Resupply, redeployment and replenishment of ammunition and explosive under un management within a fixed time frame with reimbursement
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Secretariat-27	Introduction of a deadline for receipt of approval by TPCC destruction of unserviceable ammunition and explosives in UN missions
Secretariat-28	Simplifying text on ammunition reimbursement and addition of invoice while presenting a claim for ammunition reimbursement.

FOCAL POINTS

INDONESIA, BANGLADESH, MOROCCO, NORWAY

SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL

The Sub-working group on major equipment has discussed all issue papers regarding changes and update regarding reimbursement and regulation of ammunition.

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- Still under discussion
 Agreed by the sub-working group on 25/01/2023
 ADOPTED BY WORKING GROUP ON 26/01/2023

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PROPOSED TEXT FOR 2023 COE WG REPORT

- (a) The working group appreciates Nepal's commitment to lead a study group in order to establish standardized rates of ammunition incorporating all willing member states to carry out a conclusive study and present the report in COE Working Group 2026.
- (b) The working group requests the Secretariat to revise the policy of deploying ammunition and explosives with 50 % shelf life, for ammunition and explosives having shelf life of 5 years or less during the next revision of United Nations Manual on Ammunition Management.

PROPOSED TEXT FOR 2023 COE MANUAL

COE Manual, Chapter 3, Annex A, edits to para 29, 30, 31:

Edit para 29 to read:

29. The United Nations will reimburse contributing countries for deploying ammunition to and from the mission area.²⁵ Troop/police contributors are responsible for deploying ammunition according to the prescribed quantities in the United Nations Manual on Ammunition Management. Reimbursement for transportation or disposal will not be made for any ammunition deployed exceeding the stated quantities. Since the cost of ammunition and missiles associated with major equipment items, such as anti-aircraft and anti-armour weapons and howitzers, and explosives used with major equipment, is not included in the calculation of monthly wet lease rates, an incremental transportation factor is not included to reimburse the cost of transportation for their replenishment. Consequently, the United Nations will reimburse the transportation costs or arrange transportation (upon request of troop/police contributors) for the deployment, redeployment and replenishment of those specific types of ammunition,²⁶ ~~as well as for ammunition of~~ and explosives used with major equipment.

Update para 30:

The United Nations will reimburse ammunition in the following circumstances:

- (a) Ammunition and explosives expended for operational purposes.
- (b) Ammunition expended to meet training standards beyond accepted United Nations readiness standards that have been authorized and directed by the Force Commander/Police Commissioner but not for other training or exercises within accepted United Nations readiness standards. For the latter, ammunition is considered a consumable (see Chapter 2 Annex A Para 2) covered under either the wet lease rates or reimbursement for contingent personnel (as part of clothing, gear, and personal weaponry).
- (c) Ammunition and explosives which becomes expired in the mission area. Troop/police contributors are, however, responsible for deploying ammunition and explosives with a minimum of 50% of shelf life remaining and stored properly.
- (d) Ammunition and explosives will be reimbursed upon presentation of a claim by the government supported by manufacturer invoice or certification by the government and an operational ammunition expenditure certificate from the mission.
- (e) In order to be processed, the claims for reimbursement of ammunition and explosives shall be submitted as soon as possible but not later than 12 months after the date of approval of the operational ammunition expenditure certificate (OAEC). After that period, the right of claiming reimbursement for ammunition shall expire.



- (f) The reimbursement rates for ammunition related to aircraft/vessel are to be included as an attachment to the Letter of Assist (LOA). Refer Para 25 & 32, Chapter 3, Annex A.
- (g) Reimbursement for ammunition and explosives for Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) under self-sustainment, is included in self-sustainment rates and is not reimbursable separately (see Chapter 3, Annex B, para 25).

Update para 31

The spare capacity, if available, during the rotation of unit personnel, within United Nations provided transportation or within the transportation provided by the troop/police contributor under a letter of assist, can be used to transport authorized ammunition to replace expended or expired stock, to achieve greater efficiencies. The use of any spare capacity must be cost neutral to the United Nations; in such a case, this efficiency gain will not result in a charge to the troop/police contributor.

Add NEW para 31 ter.

The process to receive approval for destruction or extension of life of ammunition and explosives from the troop / police contributing countries should ideally start 18 months prior to the approach of manufacturer's declared expiry date. Troops and police contributing countries are responsible to accord sanction for disposal of unserviceable / expired ammunition and explosives within six months of expiry date or date of declaration of unserviceability of ammunition / explosive by Senior Ammunition Technical Officers (SATO), whichever is earlier, after which, the requirement of obtaining approval from troop and police contributing countries before disposal of unserviceable ammunition / explosives will no longer exist and unserviceable ammunition / explosives will be disposed-off in the mission area for safety reasons.

In existing 31 ter, add text to para (c) as follows and then rename the existing 31 ter as 31 quarter.

- (c) A system to allow for adequate humidity and temperature control measures (air conditioner) to keep the temperature below 30°C;