

New Jersey Office of the Attorney General

Attorney General's List of Approved Less-Lethal Ammunition And Conducted Energy Devices

The following guidance on less-lethal ammunition is provided to assist the New Jersey law enforcement community in their use of force options.

The Attorney General's Use of Force Policy 2020-13 issued December 21, 2020 and revised on December 28, 2021 by 2021-14 provide for the continued use of less-lethal and conducted energy devices. These additional use of force options have the goal of reducing the use of lethal force options. All approved CED/Less-Lethal devices must be used in compliance with the Attorney General's Use of Force Policy.

Addendum A of the Use of Force Policy provide for the establishment of a CED/Less-Lethal Panel that will review less-lethal option and make recommendations to the Attorney General. The ammunition on this list has been reviewed by the Panel.

The below ammunition may be used in conjunction with the launcher approved by the manufacturer.

Shotguns must be clearly marked with brightly colored paint or other means to make the weapon readily identifiable. Shotguns marked for less-lethal ammunition may only be used for that purpose and may not be loaded with lethal rounds.

In accordance with Addendum A, only those law enforcement officers trained in the deployment of CED/less-lethal devices may be armed with the device and may only use those devices in which they are trained.

Ammunition from other manufacturers can be submitted for approval. Approval will be granted if the ammunition has the same general characteristics as that of the approved ammunition.

This list supersedes any previous Attorney General's list of approved less-lethal ammunition.

Approved Less-Lethal Ammunition.

12 gauge drag stabilized bean bag rounds from the following manufacturers:

- -Def Tec
- -CTS
- -Lightfield

12 gauge drag rubber rounds from the following manufacturers:

- -Def Tec
- -CTS
- -Lightfield

12 gauge door breaching rounds from the following manufacturers:

- -Def Tec
- -CTS
- -Lightfield

37 mm & 40 mm Impact Rounds – (Rubber Baton, Foam Baton, Bean Bag, Sponge round)

- -Def Tec
- -CTS

<u>Air Pressure Launching Rounds Frangible Projectiles (OC, PAVA Powder, Marking rounds)</u>

- -FN 303 System
- -Pepperball Launching System (PLS)

Information on the above ammunition can be found at:

https://www.defense-technology.com/product-category/impact-munitions/

https://www.combinedsystems.com/cts-impact-munitions/

http://www.litfld.com/products/less-lethal/

https://pepperball.com/projectiles/

https://www.fnherstal.com/en/security/portable-weapons/less-lethal-systems/systems-fn-303-projectiles/

Approved Conducted Energy Devices

Axon Taser

Model X2, Model X26, Taser 7.