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RANGE ADVICE NOTE 6/09

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- A. RTAAB East 20-22 Jul 09
- B. PAM 21
- C. JSP 403 Vol.2

GRENADE RANGES POTENTIAL HAZARD

1. During the RTAAB visit to DTE East at Reference A the RTAAB were briefed on a blind grenade that was found in the long grass outside of the impact area. The blind grenade was found by a user unit RCO who reported it to the RAU. EOC personnel were called and the blind was safely dealt with. Blinds are normally dealt with in accordance with Reference B however in this case the blind for whatever reason was not cleared nor reported to the RAU.
2. The danger area for these ranges is generally fenced and signed out to 250m so the blind grenade remained within the danger area. However range staff who control scrub grass around the impact area on these ranges may be exposed to this previously unrecorded hazard.
3. **Action by all RAU.** Be aware of the possibility of such blinds around the grenade ranges and as required by Reference C, keep grass and shrub in the RDA short. On grenade ranges where grass or scrub has been allowed to build up to such an extent that this hazard may not be seen, EOC will be required out to at least 20m around the impact area prior to scrub clearance or grass cutting.

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