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FROM CDR JMC ROCK ISL IL//AMSJM-QAS//  
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SUBJECT: AMMUNITION INFORMATION NOTICE (AIN) 020-16, GUIDANCE FOR FIRING OF PROJECTILES 155MM, M549/M549A1, HERA (1320-D579)

1. AIN 019-16 WAS TRANSMITTED ON 101452Z Dec 15

2. THIS AIN SUPERSEDES AIN 001-15.

3. DODIC: D579

4. REFERENCES:

A. TM 43-0001-28, ARMY AMMUNITION DATA SHEETS FOR ARTILLERY AMMUNITION GUNS, HOWITZERS, MORTARS, RECOILLESS RIFLES, GRENADE LAUNCHERS, AND ARTILLERY FUZES (FSC 1310, 1315, 1320, 1390) APRIL 94, W/CHANGES.

B. TM 9-1025-211-10, TECHNICAL MANUAL OPERATOR'S MANUAL FOR HOWITZER, MEDIUM, TOWED: 155MM, M198 (1025-01-026-6648) (EIC:3EL), JANUARY 1991, W/CHANGES.

C. TM 9-1025-215-10, TECHNICAL MANUAL OPERATOR'S MANUAL FOR HOWITZER, MEDIUM, TOWED: 155MM, M777 (1025-01-445-0991), NOVEMBER 2014, W/CHANGES.

D. TM 9-2350-314-10, OPERATOR'S MANUAL FOR HOWITZER, MEDIUM, SELF-PROPELLED: 155MM, M109A6 (2350-01-305-0028) (EIC:3FC), MAY 2014, W/CHANGES.

E. AR 385-63, RANGE SAFETY, 19 MAY 2003.

F. DA PAM 385-63, RANGE SAFETY, 4 AUG 2009.

5. THIS AIN WILL BE DISSEMINATED TO ALL ARTILLERY PERSONNEL AND UNITS, AMMUNITION SUPPLY POINTS AND INSPECTION PERSONNEL.

6. STANDARD PROCEDURES PROHIBIT FIRING THE M549/M549A1 IN THE ROCKET OFF MODE, EXCEPT IN COMBAT EMERGENCIES. WHEN FIRING ROCKET ON, A 7000-METER SAFETY ZONE IS REQUIRED SHORT OF THE TARGET BECAUSE OF THE POSSIBILITY OF ROCKET MOTOR NON-IGNITION. NOTE: REMOVAL OF ROCKET CAP BEFORE LOADING WILL ACTIVATE THE ROCKET.

7. IN COMBAT EMERGENCIES, THE M549 CAN BE FIRED WITH ROCKET OFF WITH M4A2, ZONE 7, AND M119A1/A2 ZONES 7 & 8. THE M549A1 CAN BE FIRED WITH ROCKET OFF WITH M4A2, ZONE 7, M119A1/A2 ZONES 7 & 8, AND M203/M203A1. IF FIRED ROCKET OFF DUE TO AN EMERGENCY SITUATION, A 7000-METER SAFETY RANGE IS REQUIRED BEYOND THE TARGET BECAUSE OF THE POSSIBILITY OF ROCKET MOTOR IGNITION.

8. REFERENCE E WILL BE UPDATED TO REFLECT THIS CHANGE.

9. THE POC FOR CONTENT IS LEYO ALAVA, RDAR-EIL-LA, DSN 880-3670, E-MAIL LEYO.M.ALAVA.CIV@MAIL.MIL. POC FOR DISTRIBUTION IS JAMES BREWER, AMSJM-QAS, DSN 793-7552, E-MAIL JAMES.M.BREWER10.CIV@MAIL.MIL

10. THIS AIN EXPIRES 31 DEC 2016 UNLESS OTHERWISE RESCINDED OR SUPERSEDED.

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