

One weapon - multiple capabilities

In urban conflict arenas, which are very likely to take place in any future conflict, the Carl-Gustaf M3 is an absolute 'must have' piece of equipment for any army. Combined with the new family of 84 mm ammunition the multi-purpose infantry system is capable of rapid response to any ground threat.

This Saab Bofors Dynamics close support weapon can penetrate armoured protection, destroy bunkers and concrete walls, send out a smoke screen and can even turn night into day. Carl-Gustaf M3 has always performed admirably well when used in complex environments.

In addition, more than 50 years of development have turned the infantry weapon into a very portable system. As a result it is handled like a modern assault rifle in action.

For these reasons Carl-Gustaf M3 has made advances as the main weapon of special forces, and been sold to over 40 countries including USA, India, Slovakia, UK, Czech Republic, Brazil, Chile, Poland, Estonia, Thailand and most recently Australia.

"These new weapons provide an increased direct fire support capability and will be employed by the infantry, special forces and RAAF airfield defence guards. Soldiers will appreciate the weight savings afforded by the Carl Gustaf M3," said Greg Combet, Minister of Defence Personnel and Materiel for the Australian Defence Forces.

Carl-Gustaf M3 is manned by a two man crew; one fires the recoilless rifle and the other carries ammunition and loads the weapon. The versatile 84 mm ammunition can be divided into the following four areas: Anti-armour, anti-structure, soft targets and support.

To keep its position as the state of the art infantry system the Carl-Gustaf M3 is the subject of continuous development. Weight reduction and compatibility between versions are necessary improvements to changing demands in order to take the system to its next level.