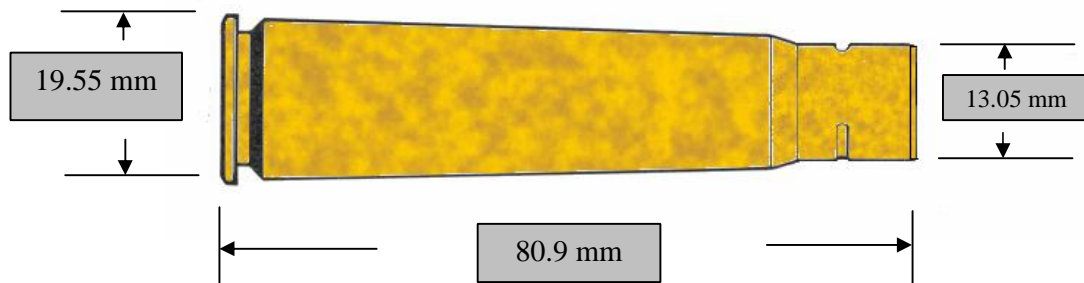


ITALIAN 12.7x81SR

This cartridge was introduced in the late 1930s for heavy aircraft machine guns and it remained in service until the end of WWII. Italy, Spain, Hungary and Japan used it and Britain manufactured it for export. The original cartridge was the British .50 Vickers V/565. The Italian and Japanese cartridges were interchangeable but the British version isn't interchangeable with any other 12.7mm.

The Japanese copied this cartridge from the Italians and their original ammunition supplies were Italian.



ITALIAN VARIATIONS.

This cartridge was used in a BREDA aircraft machine gun.

Tracer with red tip

Armour piercing with green tip

Armour piercing/ Tracer/ Incendiary. Stepped boattail projectile with white tip.

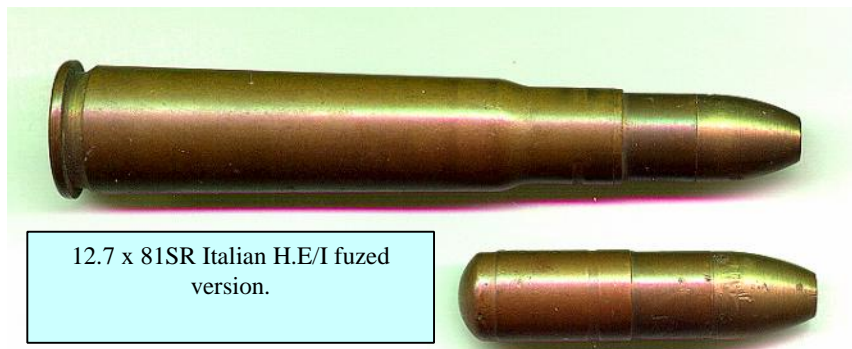
Armour piercing/ Incendiary with red tip and red primer annulus.

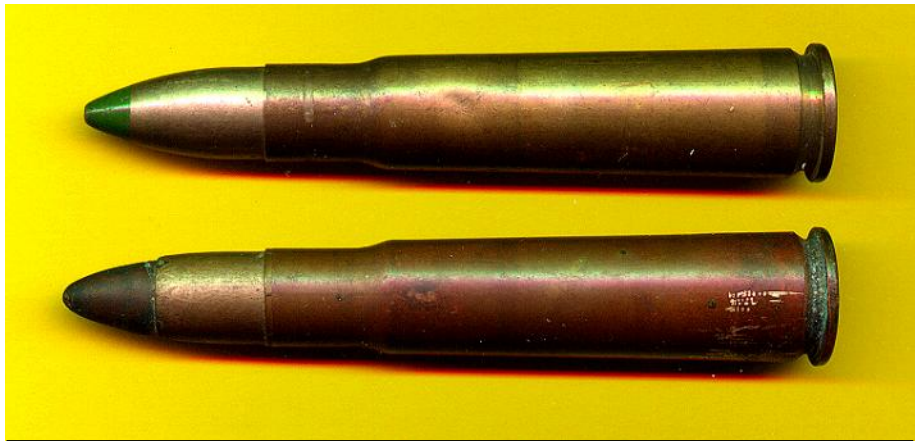
Incendiary/ Tracer with blue painted projectile.

Observation two piece projectile with blue tip.

Explosive fuzed projectile with red tip.

Explosive/Tracer/Incendiary fuzed projectile with yellow painted projectile.





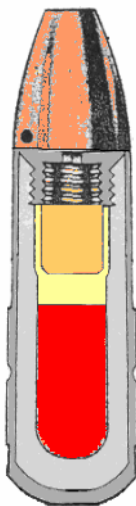
12.7 x 81SR Italian. Top Armour Piercing, bottom Armour Piercing Incendiary Tracer.



Italian HE. Marked with "S" for Scoppianti



Italian Armour Piercing.

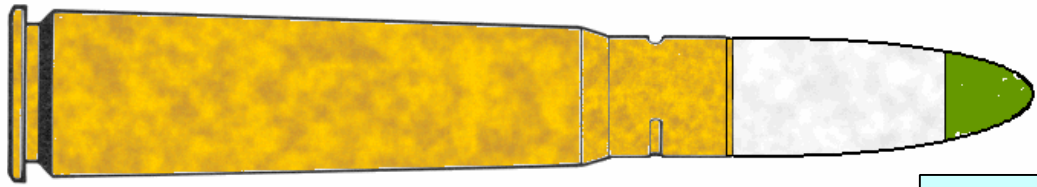


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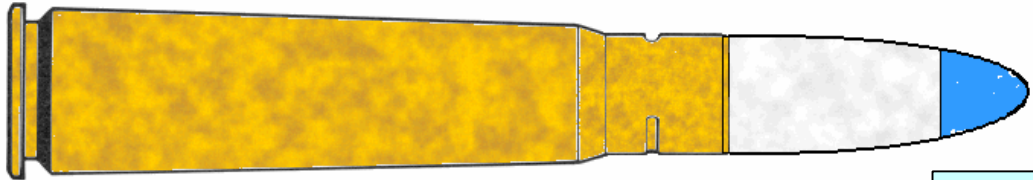


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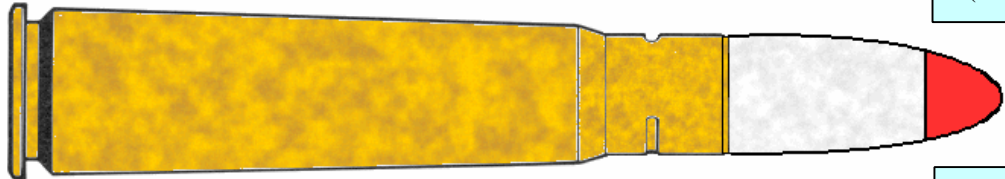
COLOUR CODES USED ON ITALIAN
12.7x81SR



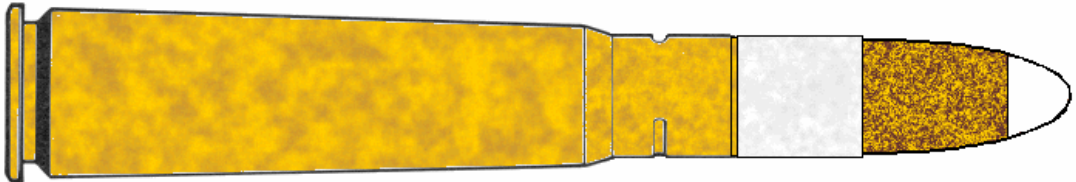
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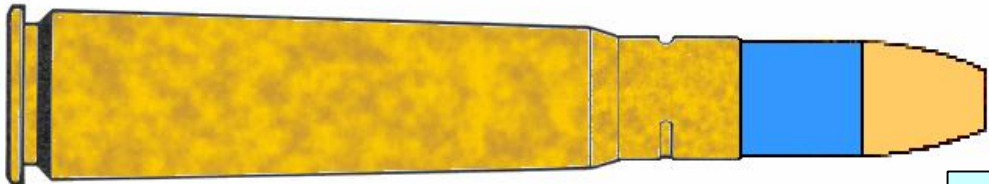
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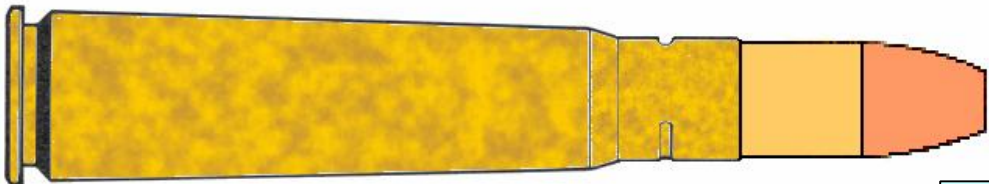
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