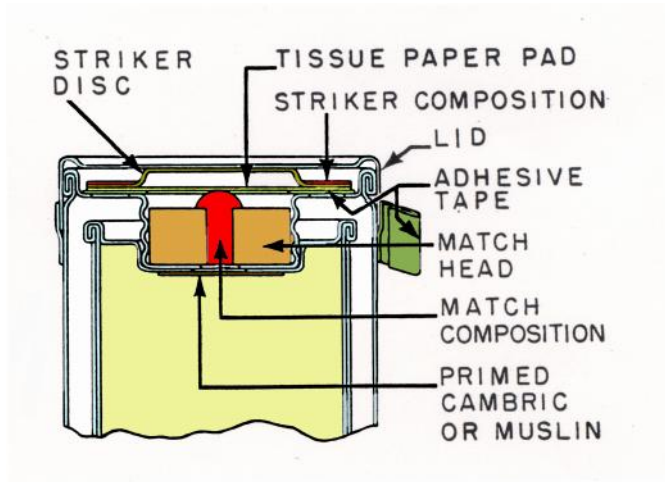


## GRENADE HAND No. 83 SMOKE



The original Mk I version of this grenade was not introduced probably because it was ignited by a friction system using a match-head composition. Waiting in the wings were the new striker lever ignition systems.

These grenades had the emission holes located on the top of the body surrounding the striker mechanism. Later grenades had one large emission hole situated in the bottom of the base.

In February 1944 the familiar striker mechanism appeared in the Mk II version and with only model variations this ignition system was retained in all models of the grenade.

The letters CCC were often stenciled on the body of the grenade in the colour of the smoke.

The fillings were as follows:

- Red = 170 grammes
- Yellow = 191.3 grammes
- Green = 170 grammes
- Blue = 212.6 grammes

