

GRENADE RIFLE No. 35

This grenade was introduced in May 1918 and apparently never declared obsolete. It was a modified No. 24 in that the base piece was shorter thus the safety pin passes through the releasing socket instead of beneath it.

It was filled with .04 kg of either Ammonal, Alumaton or Amatol the filling being indicated by the usual method of applying coloured bands thus:

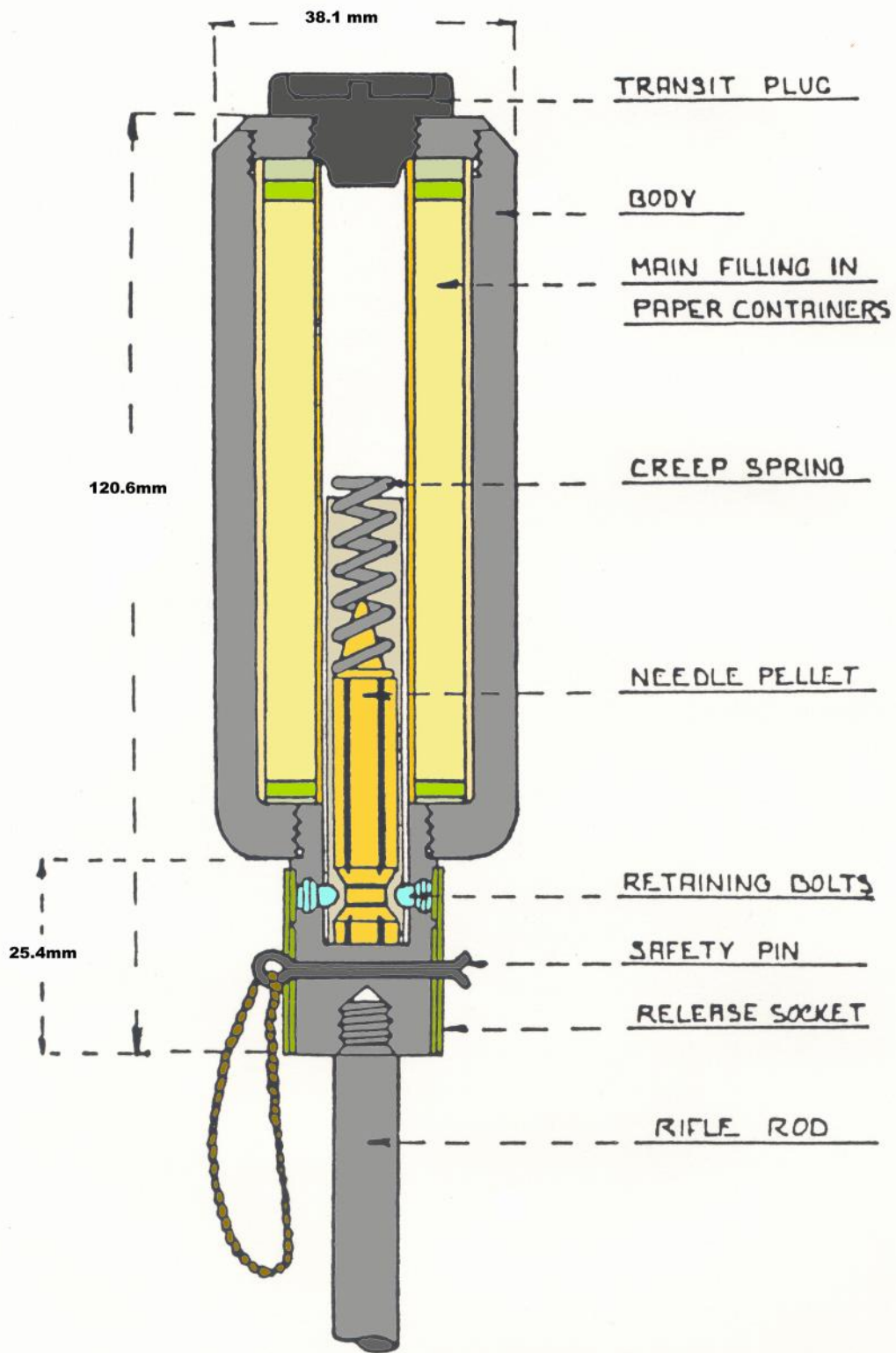
Green band = Amatol filling

Pink band = Ammonal or Alumaton

The detonator was a modified .303 cartridge case crimped into a holder.

The Mk II version of this grenade specially waterproofed for use in Mesopotamia. Why wasn't it called a No. 35M?





Action.

Remove the ebonite plug and place a detonator in the recess above the creep spring and replace the plug. Place the grenade rod in the muzzle of the rifle and remove the safety pin. On firing the releasing socket sets back freeing the retaining bolts that fly clear. This frees the needle pellet to move forward on impact driving the striker needle into the detonator, the detonation of this passes into the main filling.