

**FA SOP-07 Abbreviations**

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*Approved by Director: Dr. Guy Vallaro***Purpose:**

To establish a list of abbreviations commonly used within the Firearms Unit. Universally accepted abbreviations such as chemical symbols and measurement designations may be utilized but need not be included on this list.

**Responsibility:** Forensic Science Examiners or other employees assigned to the Firearms Unit.

ACP	Automatic Colt Pistol
add'l	additional
AFTE	Association of Firearm and Tool Mark Examiners
appx.	approximately
au	Auto
BBL, bbl	barrel
BEB, beb	brass enclosed base
BFM, bfm	breechface marks
bio	biological, biology
BLS	blood-like substance
BPB, bpb	brown paper bag
Br.	brass
BT, bt	boattail
carts	cartridges
CC, cc	cartridge case -or- class characteristics
char	characteristic(s)
COLLECT	CT On-Line Law Enforcement Communications Teleprocessing
cont.	containing
con't.	continued
c/n	case number
CPB, cpb	clear plastic bag
ctgs	cartridges
ctrl	control
ccw	counter clockwise
cw	casework -or- clockwise
DA	double action
DAO	double action only

DBM, dbm	detachable box magazine
DD	distance determination
DL	download, downloaded
ECC, ecc	evidence cartridge case
EB, eb	evidence bullet
ellip	elliptical
EM	evidence marker
EJ, ej	ejector
EJM, ejm	ejector mark
ER	Evidence Receiving Unit
evid	evidence
EXT, ext, ex	extractor, extractor mark
FB	Forensic Biology Unit
Fed	Federal
FDE	flat dark earth
FMC, fmc	full metal case
FMJ	full metal jacket
FNB, fnb	flat nose bullet
FP, fp	finger print -or- firing pin
FPA, fpa	firing pin aperture
FPAS, fpas	firing pin aperture shearing
FPI, fpi	firing pin impression
FTE	failure to eject
FTF	failure to feed
FRT	Firearms Reference Table
ga, ga.	gauge
GAP	Glock Automatic Pistol
GIMP, GI	groove impression
GRC	General Rifling Characteristics
GSD	gunshot detection

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GSR	gunshot residue(s)
hemi	hemispherical
HSPB, hspb	heat-sealed plastic bag
IBIS	Integrated Ballistics Information System
IC, ic	individual characteristics
IFL	Integrated Forensic Laboratories
I/S, i/s	inside
JFN, jfn	jacketed flat nose
JRN, jrn	jacketed round nose
JHP, jhp	jacketed hollow point
JSP, jsp	jacketed soft point
JT	JusticeTrax
( L )	left
L/LR	Long/Long Rifle
L&G	lands and grooves
LEB	large evidence bag
LIMP, LI	land impression
LIMS	Laboratory Information Management System
LP	latent print; Latent Prints Unit
LRN, lrn	lead round nose
M, m	magazine
mag	magazine
man. env.	manila envelope
MEB	medium evidence bag
mfr.	manufacturer
mic	microscope
MPI	Magnetic Particle Inspection
NaRho	sodium rhodizonate
NCV	no comparison value
NCIC	National Crime Information Center
NFSTC	National Forensic Science Training Center
NIBIN	National Integrated Ballistic Information Network
OAL	Overall length

oblit	obliterated
OCME	Office of the Chief Medical Examiner
OD, ODG	olive drab, olive drab green
O/U	over/under
// or	parallel
par	parallel
PbHP	lead hollow point
PbRN	lead round nose
PFT	Precision Forensic Testing
PI, Pi	pistol
PLB	plastic bag
poly	polygonal
poss.	possible
PR, Pr	revolver
proj.	projectile
( R )	right
RCMP	Royal Canadian Mounted Police
rec'd.	received
Rem	Remington
RF	rimfire
RFC	rimfire circle
RFR	rimfire rectangle
RI, Ri	rifle
RC, Rc	carbine
rxn	reaction
S/	sealed
SA	single action
SEB	small evidence bag
SP, Sp	pump shotgun
SJHP, sjhp	semi-jacketed hollow point
SJSP, sjsp	semi-jacketed soft point
S&B	Sellier & Bellot
S&W	Smith & Wesson
SN, S/N	serial number
SNR	serial number restoration
SoRho	sodium rhodizonate
SS, ss	stainless steel

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St.	steel
Sub or Sub.	submission
SWC, swc	semi wad cutter
SxS	Side by side
T#	test fire #
TF	test fire
TFCC, tfcc	test fired cartridge case
TMJ, tmj	total metal jacket
unk.	unknown
Wbox	white box
Win, WW, WCC	Winchester
WPB	white pill box

VIN, vin	vehicle identification number
1°	primary
2°	secondary
( + )	positive
( + ) swab	fouling present in firearm barrel
( - )	negative
( - ) swab	no fouling present in firearm barrel
=	fired in, made by, cycled through (indicates identification)
≠	not fired in, not made by, not cycled through (indicates elimination)