

Advisory Notice

ICE National Firearms and Tactical Training Unit

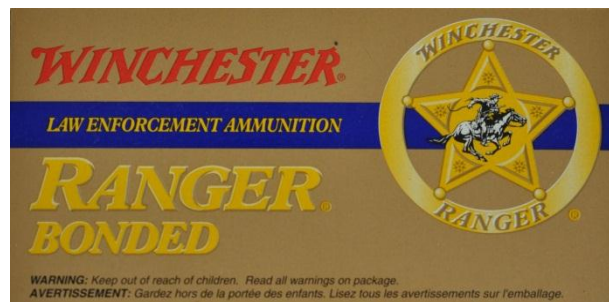
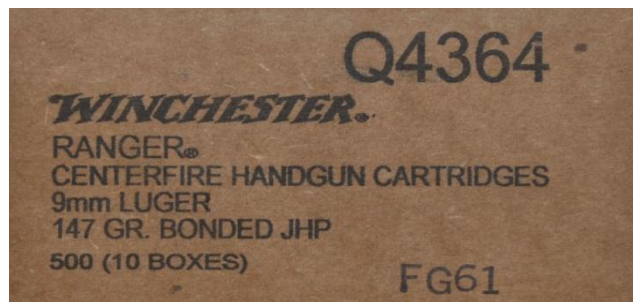
Winchester Ranger Bonded 9mm 147 grain (Part Number Q4364)

The National Firearms and Tactical Training Unit has determined that all Winchester Ranger Bonded 9mm Luger 147 grain (part number Q4364) ammunition is no longer authorized for duty carry because of reliability issues. The Winchester Q4364 ammunition does not meet the NFFTU quality standards for duty carry ammunition. This ammunition was procured through another Federal agency to supplement a shortage of ICE 9mm duty ammunition.

Firearms Instructors and Ammunition Control Officers must immediately identify and discontinue use of this ammunition for duty carry. Identification of this ammunition type is shown below. **ALL** lots of this ammunition should be isolated and inventoried and all boxes/cases should be labeled "training and qualification use only".

For any additional questions related to this ammunition notice, please contact NFFTU Customer Service via email at NFTTUCustomerservice@ice.dhs.gov or telephonically at (877) 44-NFFTU (63888).

This advisory notice can be viewed on the NFFTU Intranet site at:
<https://insight.ice.dhs.gov/mgt/nfttu/Pages/index.aspx>



Winchester Q4364 9mm identification

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INSTRUCTIONS TO SFI's

Winchester Ranger Bonded 9mm 147 grain (Part Number Q4364)

The National Firearms and Tactical Training Unit (NFTTU) has determined that Winchester Ranger Bonded 9mm 147 grain (part number Q4364) ammunition currently in use by Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO), and the Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR), IS NO LONGER AUTHORIZED for duty carry.

Background:

Changes to the list of authorized personally owned weapons resulted in an increased demand for 9mm ammunition in 2011 and 2012. This increased demand depleted available ammunition inventories as well as ammunition available for purchase through NFTTU contracts. As an interim solution, NFTTU purchased Winchester 9mm 147-grain (part number Q4364) duty ammunition through another Federal agency's existing contract. Multiple failures to fire have been reported with this ammunition and it does not meet NFTTU quality and reliability standards for duty ammunition. Therefore, NFTTU has determined that this ammunition is no longer suitable for duty carry and should only be used for training and qualifications.



Winchester Q4364 9mm Identification

Required Action:

The NFTTU now has, under contract, a sufficient quantity of Speer 9mm 124 grain (part number 53971) and Speer 9mm +P 124 grain (part number 53927) duty ammunition to provide to ICE armed officers. This Speer ammunition is sourced through NFTTU contracts and is tested extensively for quality, reliability, and performance. This Speer ammunition has been designated for duty carry. In addition, there are inventories at field locations of other authorized 9mm ammunition that are also acceptable for duty use. The NFTTU is currently shipping Speer 124 grain ammunition to field locations to ensure duty carry ammunition is on hand.



Senior Firearms Instructors, Firearms Instructors, and Ammunition Control Officers should immediately:

- Locate all Winchester Ranger Bonded 9mm 147-grain ammunition, (part number Q4364).
- Ensure that your ammunition balance is up to date in FACTS.
- Isolate and label the Winchester ammunition for use as “training and qualification use only”.
- Deplete the Winchester ammunition during training and qualifications.
- Ensure ICE armed officers authorized to carry 9mm firearms systematically and safely replace their duty carry ammunition with Speer 9mm 124 grain or other authorized 9mm ammunition.
- Please continue to report any ammunition issues experienced to ensure quality control and safety.

If additional Speer 9mm 124-grain ammunition is needed to facilitate this changeover in duty carry ammunition, please put in a FACTS request for the appropriate quantity of ammunition needed. Please ensure all requests are submitted individually (i.e. one item or ammo type listed per individual request).

If there are further questions regarding this notice, please contact your field representative, the NFTTU Customer Service via email at NFTTUcustomerservice@ice.dhs.gov or telephonically at (877) 44-NFTTU (63888).

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