

# LIGHTWEIGHT HELMET

## DESCRIPTION

The Lightweight Helmet (LWH) is a direct replacement for the standard issue PASGT helmet. The LWH has improved ballistic protection capability over the existing PASGT helmet and will be one-half pound lighter. The LWH also promotes greater combat effectiveness through greater comfort and improved fit. It features an improved suspension system that will reduce stress and fatigue.

## OPERATIONAL IMPACT

The LWH provides protection in various operating environments from fragmentation projectiles as well as providing 9mm small arms protection. Overall fragmentation and ballistic protection will exceed that of the current PASGT Helmet.

## PROGRAM STATUS

The LWH received Milestone C approval in May 2003. Initial operational capability is scheduled for the second quarter of FY 2004 and full operational capability for the first quarter of FY 2009.

<b>PROCUREMENT PROFILE:</b>	<b>FY 04</b>	<b>FY 05</b>
Quantity:	7,800	10,400
<b>DEVELOPER/MANUFACTURER</b>		
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