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## MARINE CORPS SYSTEMS COMMAND

### PRODUCT MANAGER INFANTRY COMBAT EQUIPMENT



#### LIGHTWEIGHT HELMET

**Overview:** The Lightweight Helmet (LWH) replaces the Personal Armor System for Ground Troops (PASGT) helmet, also known as the Kevlar. The LWH provides protection in various operating environments from blunt impact, fragmentation, and 9mm small arms projectiles.

**Features:** The LWH retains the PASGT design but makes use of lighter materials made available by new technologies. The LWH is lighter than the PASGT, depending on helmet size and provides greater combat effectiveness through greater comfort and improved fit. It features a retention system and pads that reduce stress and fatigue on the neck and shoulders. The LWH is available in five sizes ranging from extra-small to extra-large.

**Components:** Ballistic Shell, suspension hook disks (hook and loop fastener), suspension pads (3/4 or 1 inch thick), retention assembly, attaching hardware, edging (finish and labels), and use and care manual.

**Approved Acquisition Objective (AAO):** The LWH quantity authorized for peacetime and wartime requirements to equip and sustain the force in accordance with current DoD plans and policies is listed in the table below:

UNIT	AAO
I MEF	45,346
II MEF	47,587
III MEF	25,643
MFR	33,335
SPT EST	50,918
TOTAL	202,829

**Concept of Distribution:** One per Marine

**Fielding Status:** Fielding complete

**Requirements Document:** Operational Requirements Document (ORD) 42.18 Change 1 dated 20 Aug 2001

**Training:** A care use manual accompanies each helmet and explains with text and drawings how to adjust, wear, and maintain the helmet.

**Manuals:**

ULSS 08744-15      PCN: 13200874400  
TM 08774B-12&P      PCN: 50008744000

**Supply/Logistics:**

TAMCN: C32152E  
ID No: 08774I  
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