

EX 437 Multi-Option Fuze for Navy

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5" Conventional Ammo





M762A1 to MK 432 Conversion



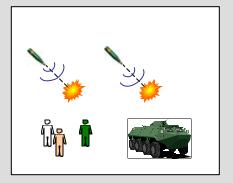
M762A1

MK 432 MOD 0

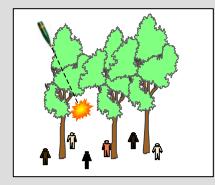


M782 Multi-Option Fuze for Artillery

Surface Proximity (HOB)



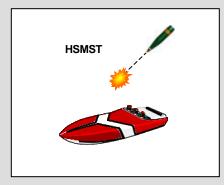
Point Detonating Delay



Operational Modes



Electronic Time (ET)



Point Detonating (PD)





A "Navalized" MOFA must be:

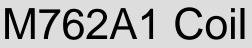
- Compatible with Navy guns
 - Changes to fuze's inductive coil / circuit
 - Changes to fuze's inductive interface (software)
 - Increased precision in electronic time mode
 - High Speed Maneuvering Surface Target (HSMST)
- Safe in Navy guns
 - Changes to S&A to increase arming distance
 - Changes in software to delay charging of firing circuit



Compatible with Navy Guns

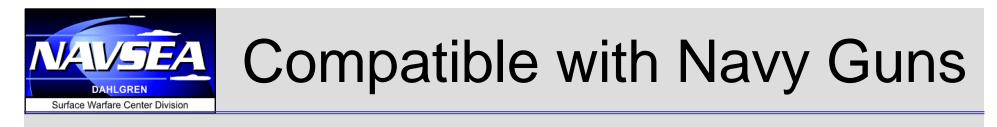
- MOFA will not set with MK 34 Fuze Setter
- MOFA inductive coil similar to M762A1
- For M762A1 to MK 432 conversion
 - Replaced M762A1 coil w/ MK 419 MFF coil





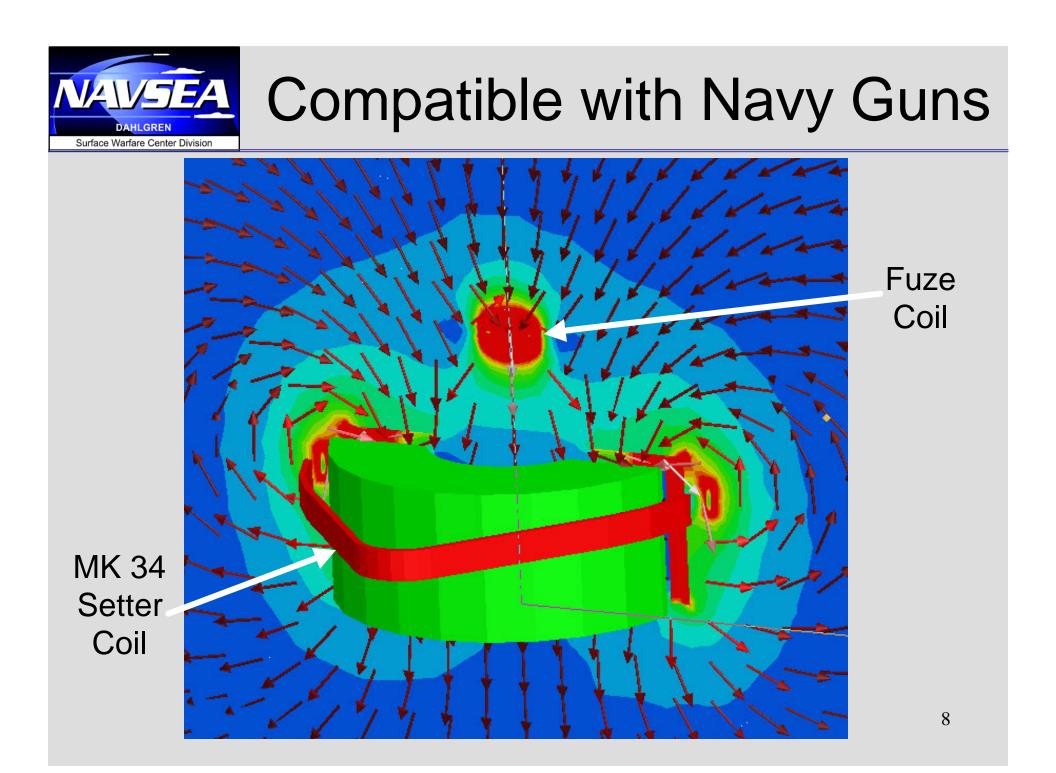


MK 432 Coil



- For M782 MOFA to EX 437 conversion
 - MK 419 coil will not fit into MOFA
 - Proximity sensor limits available space
- Promising results from initial testing
 - 575 turns w/ 38 awg wire (fits on MOFA bobbin)
 - Small ferrite core (fits under MOFA bobbin)
 - Series resonant circuit







- MOFA uses a 23-bit binary message
 - ET is settable in 0.1 second increments
- Navy requires a 26-bit binary message

- "We're kicking it up a notch!"

to allow setting in 0.01 second increments

A must have for engaging HSMST

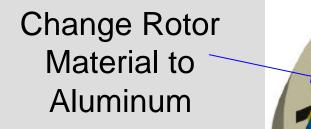


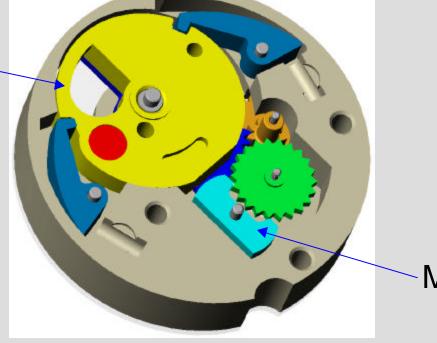
- MOFA uses an M739-type S&A
 - Minimum arming distance of 205 ft in the 5" gun
- Conducted a study to assess hazard for arming distances between 200 and 4800 ft
 - Assuming a fuze function at arming
 - All distances posed a 1-D risk (MIL-STD-882C)
- Selected 400 feet as the minimum arming distance
 - Gets fuze beyond stern of ship
 - Requirement for close in engagement



Safe in Navy Guns

- M739 was modified in early '80s in a joint Army-Navy PIP
 - 375 ft no-arm distance verified





Increase Moment of Inertia



Program Strategy

- Maximize commonality with MOFA
 - Follow the M762A1 MK 432 example
- Strong Navy-Army-Industry Team











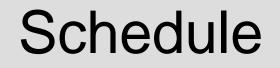




π Feasibility / Risk Reduction Effort - 3rd Qtr '02

- π Issued competitive small purchase contracts
- π ARDEC began software upgrade
- п Develop S&A model
- π Issue Competitive RFP Jan '03
 - S&A, inductive set, software development
 - 400 fuze qualification build & test
 - 5,000 fuze production option





EX 437	2003	2004	2005
Milestones	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4
Contract Award			
PDR			
Lot A			
CDR			
Lot B / Qual			
Production			