**Data Element Number:** 186975  
**Data Element Name:** Weapon, Description  

A one-character code to identify the type of weapon possessed/used in an incident.

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**NOTE:** See appendix P for additional information concerning weapon description.  
*Code F - Firearm, Other, refers to any weapon (including a starter gun) that will or is designed to or may readily be converted to expel a projectile by the action of any explosive; the frame or receiver of handguns and rifles/shotguns; any firearm muffler or firearm silencer; any destructive device, which includes (a) any explosive, incendiary, or poison gas—(1) bomb, (2) grenade, (3) rocket having a propellant charge of more than four ounces, (4) missile having an explosive or incendiary charge of more than one-quarter ounce, (5) mine, or (6) similar device; (b) any weapon which will, or which may be readily converted to, expel a projectile by the action of an explosive or other propellant, and which has any barrel with a bore of more than one-half inch in diameter; (c) any combination or parts either designed or intended for use in converting any device into any destructive device, and from which a destructive device may be readily assembled. (Section 921(a) of Title 18 of the United States Code)  

This definition does not apply to items such as toy guns, cap guns, bb guns, and pellet guns.  
**Code O - Other Weapons are objects that can become weapons when used for bodily harm, i.e., scissors, letter openers, air-powered "guns", etc.**  
***Code M – Multiple Types of Firearms must meet the definition of Firearm, Other (Code F), Handgun (Code H) or Rifle or Shotgun (Code R).**

**Length:** 1  
**Data Type:** Alphanumeric  
**Year Implemented:** 9596  
**State Standard:** No
Data Element Number: 186975
Data Element Name: Weapon, Description

Use Types:
State Reporting: Yes
Local Accountability: Yes
FASTER: No
Migrant Tracking: No

Required Grades: PK-12

Programs Required:
All Programs

Formats Required:
School Environmental Safety Incident Report DB9 42x

Surveys Required:
Survey 2 Yes
Survey 3 Yes
Survey 5 Yes

Appendixes:
None

Description of Changes:
6/1/2011 Definition
Added the word “possessed/” to the definition