

**Subject: Officer Safety - Weapon v Protective Vest
Intel from OHIO.**

Last Friday, one of these pistols was confiscated by P/O Rick Haun from a suspect during a traffic stop on a signal 30 in Colerain Township. The gun was found after the suspect resisted the pat down. Attached is a picture of the confiscated weapon and the rounds that were loaded into it. As you can see, they appear to be small rifle rounds. The pistol was test fired at our range and the rounds penetrated both the front and back of the pictured vest.

Please share this information with all of your personnel as well as with any other police agencies you deal with. While all weapons are a danger to our officers, this one poses an even greater risk and it has now made it into the hands of criminals in our area.

WEAPON INFORMATION:



Fabrique Nationale (FN) Five-seveN (Belgium)



Five-sevenN Tactical (note safety switch above the trigger)



Five-sevenN stripped into main parts

Type: Double Action Only or Single Action (in Tactical model)
Weight:ca. 620 g with empty magazine; ca. 760 g loaded

Chambering: 5.7x28mm SS190
Length:208 mm
Barrel length: 122.5 mm
Magazine: 20 rounds

The Five-seveN pistol was designed by FN company (Belgium) as a complimentary sidearm for the P90 submachine-gun. The P90 and Five-seveN share the same ammunition, the 5.7x28mm SS190 cartridge. The SS190 ammunition looks like scaled down 5.56mm NATO round and boosts the 2.02 gramm (31 grains) pointed steel and alluminium core bullet to the muzzle velocity of 650 meters per second (ca. 2130 fps) from the pistol barrel. The key idea behind that ammunition and weapons is to provide good penetration against personnel, protected by modern body armour, while keeping weapons' weight, dimensions and recoil at the reasonable levels.

The Five-seveN is a delayed blowback operated, semi-automatic firearm. It featured polymer frame with underbarrel accessory rail. The gun is available in two versions: Five-seveN standard, intended mostly for military users, and Five-seveN Tactical, intended mostly for Law Enforcement users who carry handguns as a primary weapons. The only difference between Standard and Tactical models is in the trigger type: the Five-seveN standard features Double Action Only trigger with long trigger pull and no external safeties; The Five-seveN Tactical featured Single Action trigger with short and light trigger pull and ambidextrous safety switch, located on the frame above the trigger. Both variants are striker fired, with internal firing pin safety. The sights are fixed, with optional night sights (with luminous dots inserts) available.

The Five-seveN is advertised as being capable to penetrate standard PAGST vest at 300 meters and standard CRISAT (kevlar + titanium) vest at 100 meters.

The Five-seveN is available from FN for government or law enforcement sales only.