

# CAUTION

# UXO

You may encounter  
Unexploded Ordnance (UXO)  
in areas once used for  
Navy training.

## KNOW WHAT TO DO IF YOU ENCOUNTER UXO

Stop

Don't Approach UXO

Don't Touch, Move, or Disturb UXO

Mark the Location  
(landmark, flagging, etc.)

Note the Location  
(photographs, GPS coordinates, etc.)

Leave the Area Using the Same Route You  
Entered

Call Contacts Below

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service  
Sudbury, MA  
Refuge Manager (978) 443-4661

Navy EOD Mobile Unit 2, Detachment Newport  
Newport, RI  
Officer in Charge (401) 832-3301

US Coast Guard  
Menemsha, MA  
Officer in Charge (508) 645-2611

Managed by:  
**U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service**  
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Sudbury, MA 01776  
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## WARNING

Subsurface UXO has not been cleared.  
Subsurface UXO can be exposed through  
erosion and frost heave.

## WARNING

Waters around Normans Land Island are  
restricted. Refer to navigation charts.

## WARNING

UXO may exist in near-shore waters.  
Authorized visitors must use caution when  
anchoring or landing watercraft.

## WARNING

UXO can wash up on beaches during storms.

## WARNING

Airspace over Normans Land Island is  
restricted and is still used for low-level flight  
training. Contact FAA for information.

## WARNING

Normans Land Island National Wildlife  
Refuge is closed to the public and  
surrounding waters are restricted.

This pamphlet summarizes UXO information  
for U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service personnel and  
persons authorized to be present on Normans  
Land Island National Wildlife Refuge.

## NOMANS LAND ISLAND NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

### WHAT IS UNEXPLODED ORDNANCE?

**UXO**, which stands for **Unexploded Ordnance**, results from the military's use of munitions in training.

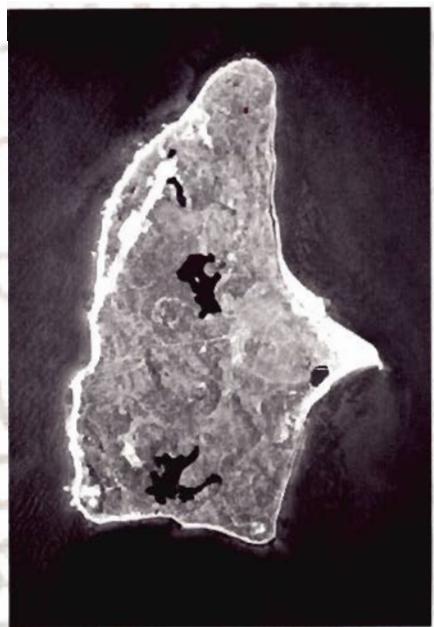
Ordnance includes:

- Bullets, bombs, grenades, blasting caps, shells and fuses

Unexploded ordnance is:

- Ordnance that was fired but didn't explode
- Ammunition that could explode
- New or old...shiny or rusty...
- Clean or dirty

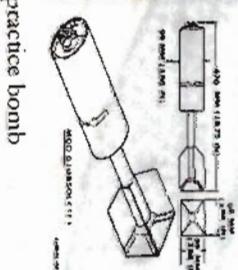
Many people also refer to UXO as "duds." These items are extremely dangerous and should never be touched or moved; they can still explode and cause serious injury or death.



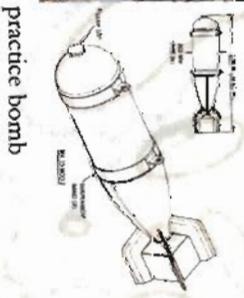
**Nomans Land Island National Wildlife Refuge (NWR)** is 628 acres in size and is located in Chilmark, MA, 3 miles south of Martha's Vineyard. The Island is 1.6 miles long east to west, and about 1 mile north to south. Nomans Land Island was used for aerial bombing practice by the U.S. Navy from 1942 to 1996.

The Island was transferred to the USFWS to become Nomans Land Island NWR in 1998. It was established "... for use as an inviolate sanctuary, or for any other management purpose, for migratory birds" (Migratory Bird Conservation Act).

### EXAMPLES OF UXO ENCOUNTERED ON NOMANS LAND ISLAND



MK 15-100 lb. practice bomb



MK 82 500 lb. practice bomb



2.25-inch practice rocket