

MOCK PRISON RIOT

TECHNOLOGY

“QUICK LOOK”

REPORT

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Milspec Plastics

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The following report has been compiled from Technology Quick Look Questionnaires completed by law enforcement and corrections practitioners participating in the Mock Prison Riot held May 1-4, 2011. The intent of a Technology Quick Look is to capture basic performance characteristics of a product deployed or demonstrated during the Mock Prison Riot event. This process is not an exhaustive or comprehensive, formal test and evaluation. This document is not an endorsement by the evaluator(s) or the Mock Prison Riot; it provides general feedback on the technology's effectiveness during a Mock Prison Riot scenario and/or product demonstration.

Product

The following product description was obtained from a company representative or website. Product description text was not written by the Mock Prison Riot, the NIJ, or the WVHTC Foundation:

Cobra Cuffs Disposable Restraints

Milspec Plastics



Patented Cobra Cuffs are the Only Disposable Restraints with a Double Lock which both Prevents Over-Tightening and acts as a backup fail safe lock. Cobra Cuffs design and Double Lock system makes it impossible to pick or shim, unlike any other Zip Tie based restraint. Cobra Cuffs design give a tactical advantage to the officer and they are disposed of once processing is complete. Cobra Cuffs can be carried in standard pouches or unfolded and inserted under riot gear shin guard straps or molle webbing for quick tactical release. Because of the small size and weight, Cobra Cuffs are ideal for mass arrest or crowd control situations. Black, White, Yellow, Red, Orange & Pink colors are offered to allow Color Coding of Prisoners for offense type, danger or as a transport code.

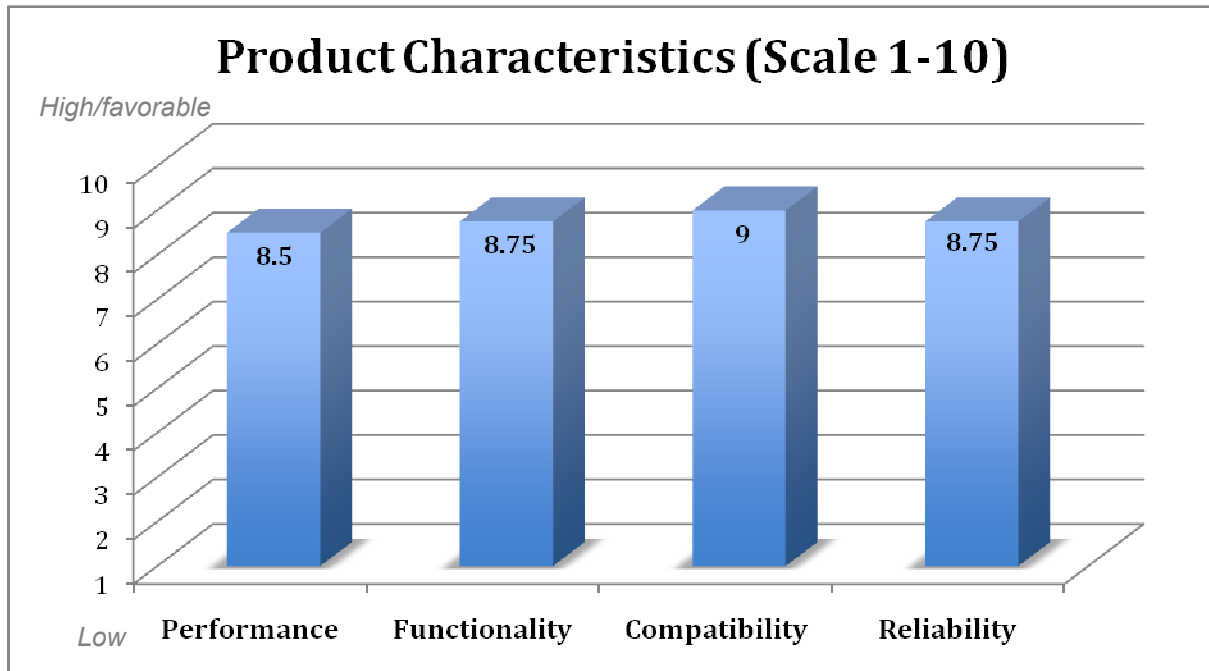
Respondents

Number of Respondents:	14
Average Years of Experience:	8.6

Feedback

Agencies providing feedback:

- VA Beach Sheriff's Office
- Lee County (FL) Sheriff's Office
- James River (ND) Correctional Center
- Passaic County (NJ) Sheriff's Office



If you plan to purchase, how will it impact your SOP and why?

All respondents indicated that adoption of this product by their agency would not have any impact on existing standard operating procedures.

How could this product be integrated into your daily operations?

Practitioners noted mass arrests, riots, search warrants, and standard cell extraction operations as areas where the product would be most utilized.

What physical and/or functional attributes are desired for this product type to better integrate into your daily operations?

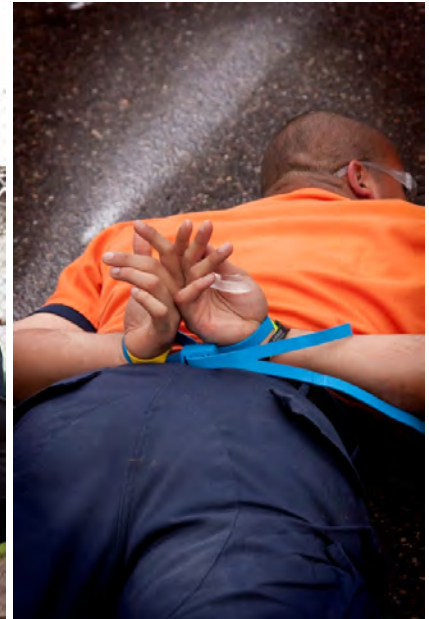
Respondents indicated that a product of this type must be easy to access and deploy in a variety of situations and environments.

What are the three best features of this product?

The most notable best features of the product by practitioners were its ease of use, double locking feature, compact size, light weight, and strength.

Name three ways that this product could be improved.

Respondents indicated a relatively high level of satisfaction with the product. The primary areas for recommended improvement were to make the locking mechanism more user friendly for an operator with gloved hands. Several operators also indicated that the product was difficult to unfold in certain situations.



Would you consider purchasing this product in the future - why/why not?

All respondents indicated that more exposure and testing of the product would be needed before a purchase decision could be made.

“The product is much easier to carry, deploy, and store than traditional cuffs.”

- Deputy, VA Beach Sheriff's Office

“...very easy to use.”

- Correctional Officer, James River (ND) Correctional Center

“...provides very quick cuffing capability.”

- Deputy, Lee County (FL) Sheriff's Office

“...good product – highly recommended.”

- Deputy, Passaic County (NJ) Sheriff's Office

“...ideal for our needs.”

- Deputy, James River (ND) Correctional Center