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## PROFESSIONAL & SELF-DEFENSE TASER DEVICES

Much of the public has a general idea of what a TASER device can do in the context of law enforcement. But many are surprised to find out there are TASER devices designed specifically for non-law enforcement, self-defense purposes. In many jurisdictions, these devices are legal to own and lack many of the bureaucratic hurdles that come with firearm ownership.

That's a common misconception but stun guns and Tasers are actually two separate electroshock weapons. We've chosen four categories to review and have come up with the best stun guns and Tasers for each category: best stun gun, best disguised stun gun, best introductory Taser, and best Taser. Depending on your level of comfort, you may be drawn to one over the other. To help clarify why you may want a Taser over a stun gun or vice versa, we've created these pro/con tables below to help you see why one may be a better fit for you.

Tasers and stun guns are meant to be used as self-defense weapons. They are not toys and should not be treated as such. Please take this seriously and inform yourself about these devices. Before purchasing one, take these points into consideration:

**Electric voltage:** Most Tasers peak at 50,000 volts, but once the prongs are in the person the volts drop to about 1,200. To put that into more than just numbers, a static shock generates 3,000 volts of electricity. However, keep in mind that is being emitted externally and not internally to your body like a Taser does.

**Battery:** What type of battery you get is up to you. There are rechargeable batteries and replaceable batteries. Rechargeable batteries are less expensive in the long run, but the maximum charge may decrease over time with repeated use. If you notice the battery

isn't holding charge as long, you should probably replace it. Tip: You should recharge your stun gun 1-3 times per month.

Size: There's a payoff between size and volt level, so find the smallest sized unit within the voltage range you're looking for.

Safety system: Make sure your Taser or stun gun has a safety mechanism on it. You don't want to accidentally fire one that's in your pocket. It would be a painful accident.

Consumer Series			VS.	Professional Series		
						
15 ft.	15 ft.	Direct Contact		15 ft.	21-35 ft.	21-35 ft.
1	1	None (Drive-Stun Only)		1	2	1
Y	Y	N		Y	Y	Y
30s	30s	N/A		10s	5s	5s
Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y
N	N	Y		N	Y	N
N	N	N		N	Y	Y
Y	N	N		Y	Y	Y

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The means of self-defense may also be an electric shooter. The minimum time of an electroshock discharge is enough to cut down a person, or to scare the dog. A duration effect:

- 1-2 seconds - causes "hellish" pain, spasms of muscles.
- 2-3 seconds - causes an increasing loss of orientation in space.
- 3-5 seconds - causes loss of balance and consciousness.

Recommendations for use: harness the electric shaker to the enemy's body and press the power button. And you need to do everything in that order. If you first click the power button, then it can set the opponent even more against you.

It should not be specifically designed to defeat a striker in the head, or in the area of the heart. The best places are where the largest number of nerve endings is (neck, large groups of muscles, inguinal area, back).

Today, there are a lot of options for electric shock absorbers that mimic a lantern, umbrella, or mobile phone. This simplifies the task of disarming / disorienting the attacker unexpectedly. But do not forget to periodically check the battery power of the electrocutor so that it is always on the go.

For most people looking for a personal defense device, how far away you can be is an important consideration. However, there are other differences as well.

<p>Taser Pulse Range: 15 Feet - Shoots probes from a distance</p>	<p>Rechargeable Runt Stun Gun Range: 0" - Direct contact must be made</p>
<p>It is a high-tech, subcompact weapon with an intuitive concealed carry design that packs the same knock-down punch used by law enforcement around the world. With the TASER Pulse you can reach an attacker from up to 15 feet away and immobilize them for 30 seconds giving you time to make a safe escape.</p> <p>Features:</p> <p>Subcompact design with intuitive user interface: The small size and pistol shape provides discreet carry capability</p> <p>Shaved safeties and angled iron sights: for comfortable conceal carry and prevention of snagging when withdrawing or re-holstering device</p> <p>Advanced target acquisition: LASER assisted targeting, color contrasting iron</p>	<p>20,000,000 volt Rechargeable Runt with built-in Recharger, flashlight, and wrist strap disable pin. This is a newly designed unit that over delivers on power and is more ergonomically correct to hold in your hand.</p> <p>When your life or property is in danger, most of the time you really have no other recourse than to fight back. But for many, physical strength can only do so much and go so far, which is why there are numerous options for self- defense weapons. One of these is the Runt stun gun, a device that's small enough to fit in a purse or a pocket but offers enough power to help prevent an attack and save your life.</p> <p>The Runt is a product of Stun Master, a brand specializing in self defense gadgets that deliver an electric</p>

sights, and powerful LED flashlight to help identify friend or foe

User replaceable battery: Battery lasts for approximately 50 30-second firings and it features an illuminated battery status indicator light

Tactile trigger and safety 15-foot safety range with back-up stun gun: Immobilize attackers at a safe distance

Safe Escape Product Replacement Program: If the TASER Pulse is used for self-defense and it is left at the scene, TASER will replace the device free of charge upon the submission of a police report.

Warranty: 1 year warranty for Taser and cartridges, 90 days for accessories, and a Lifetime Replacement Guarantee for any Taser used in self-defense in the U.S.

Contents:

TASER Pulse Replaceable lithium battery 2 live cartridges Conductive target Protective soft cover Quick start guide

shock when triggered or applied. It's a small device measuring just 4 1/2" x 1 5/8" x 1". It provides one of the highest power ratings of these types of defensive tools at 20,000,000 volts. The high output is meant to optimize the stun gun's use during an emergency situation and more than makes up for its small size.

The stun gun is often mistaken for a Taser. While their basic use is similar (they both deliver an electric shock to the target), they differ in the way they are used and how they function. A Taser uses a wire and barbs to penetrate the target to deliver the electric shock. The wire through which electricity travels is connected to a triggering device that is held in your hand and can be up to 15 feet away.

A stun gun delivers a shock upon direct physical contact with the tip of the gun. This device works well for close contact encounters and can be advantageous when an attacker is at arm's length. Unlike the Taser, the Runt does not require careful aiming since it will deliver a shock regardless of the area that the tip comes in contact

with.

There are two very important ways that this can be an advantage during a potentially dangerous situation. One: it can function as a tool to produce psychological intimidation on a would-be attacker. The sight and sound of a stun gun is a warning to any attacker that there is a high possibility that he/she can get hurt. This can discourage them from advancing any further.

Two: in case the person does attack, the Runt can deliver a high output electric shock at close range, effectively causing involuntary muscular contraction and pain on the target site. The shock can also lead to temporary loss of muscle control, disorientation and even confusion. These reactions are enough to incapacitate an attacker for several minutes. The effects will wear away, but by then, you would already have  
run away or sought help.

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Stun guns are an effective contact weapon but you must physically touch the person with the prongs of the stun gun. It is also best to hold it on them for many seconds.

Stun guns work by rapidly overworking the muscle group and depleting it of blood sugar. In addition to causing shocking, immobilizing pain and extreme exertions of muscle contractions, the result is similar to muscle failure.

A Taser device such as the civilian Bolt, allows you to repel the attacker from up to 15 feet away (7-10 feet being optimum target spread.)

That is a BIG difference from a stun gun, which requires direct contact.

Police carry their own version of a Taser device which you hear about if you watch the news. The police version is similar to the PULSE's predecessor, the Advanced Taser. However, the law enforcement version does have a longer range (21 feet compared to the civilian 15 feet).

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