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"Mine" means any ammunition <sup>[1]</sup> placed under, on or near the ground or other surface area and designed to be exploded by the presence, proximity or contact of a person or vehicle.

"Remotely-delivered mine" means a mine not directly emplaced but delivered by artillery, missile, rocket, mortar, or similar means, or dropped from an aircraft.

Mines may be anti-personnel or anti-vehicle. Current regulations prohibit or restrict the use of landmines, booby-traps <sup>[2]</sup> or other devices.

See also Weapons <sup>[3]</sup>

## OUTLINE

Chapter 9, III. 2. c) certain conventional weapons aa) mines <sup>[4]</sup>

## LEGAL SOURCE

CIHL, 80 <sup>[5]</sup> (booby-traps) and 81 <sup>[6]</sup>-83 <sup>[7]</sup> (landmines)

## DOCUMENTS

Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices, as amended on 3 May 1996 (Protocol II to the 1980 Convention)

<sup>[8]</sup>

Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction <sup>[9]</sup>

## CASES

- Geneva Call, Puntland State of Somalia adhering to a total ban on antipersonnel mines <sup>[10]</sup>
- UN/Colombia, Human Rights Committee Clarifications and Concluding Observations (2016) <sup>[11]</sup>

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