

# Lessons Learned in Afghanistan

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# ICWG Lessons Learned



## (3) Gloves

- Soldiers deployed with issued Black Work Gloves, Glove Liners, and Intermediate Cold Wet Gloves (ICWGs).
- Very many Soldiers purchased Flyers Gloves before deployment.
- Most/all liners and Flight Gloves fall apart at the fingertips.
- 100% used ICWGs for warmth but 72% stated that they could not operate their weapons or other equipment while wearing the ICWGs.
- Troops stated that they would rather wear thin gloves and have cold hands than to wear the ICWGs, have less cold hands, and not be able to manipulate their weapons and other equipment.
- Soldiers stated that they would like to be issued a more robust version of the Flight Glove.