

# ARMY CAPABILITY

## WEAPON REPLACEMENT AND UPGRADE



### In-Service Weapon Replacement/Upgrade Programme (ISWRUP)

The NZDF In-Service Weapon Replacement/Upgrade Programme (ISWRUP) is responsible for upgrading and replacing the NZDF's small arms fleet.

To ensure the NZ soldier, sailor and airman remains equipped with the capabilities needed to succeed on the modern battlefield, ISWRUP is ensuring the NZDF's small arms fleet is capable of delivering a broad variety of effects across the spectrum of less-lethal to lethal means with greater precision at increased ranges in order to promote a tactical advantage.

Additionally, ISWRUP projects will enhance force protection and situational awareness through upgraded sighting and target acquisition systems. This will enhance the accuracy of direct fire engagements and as a result will reduce the risk of NZDF personnel being responsible for collateral damage at the same time increasing the likelihood of defeating identified threats.

This will ensure that our personnel are appropriately armed and equipped to meet the challenges and complexities of the contemporary and future operating environments. The programme will replace or upgrade selected weapon systems, ancillary equipment and specialist munitions within the NZDF weapon fleet. In order to do this the programme will consider the needs and requirements of Army, Navy and Air Force elements and will ensure that all service personnel, regardless of service, have the small arms necessary to operate and succeed on operations.



### ISWRUP has introduced to service the:

- Tactical Shotgun (TS)
- 7.62mm Designated Marksman Weapon (DMW)
- 7.62mm Light Support Weapon (LSW)

### Projects underway include:

- IW Replacement Project
- Sniper Rifle replacement and the Anti Material Rifle
- Short Range Anti Armour Weapon 84 mm upgrade
- Personal Protection Weapon (pistol) replacement project
- Sustained Fire Machine Gun tripod and target acquisition replacement
- Grenade Launcher (M203) replacement.