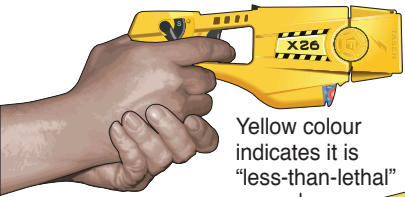


British police to be armed with stun guns

About 30,000 British police officers are to start carrying a controversial electric stun gun that will knock out suspects. The U.S.-made Taser "electro-muscular disruption" gun will be used by front-line response officers in all 43 police forces in England and Wales

Advanced Taser X26

Range	6.4 metres
Voltage	50,000 volts
Cost	\$399

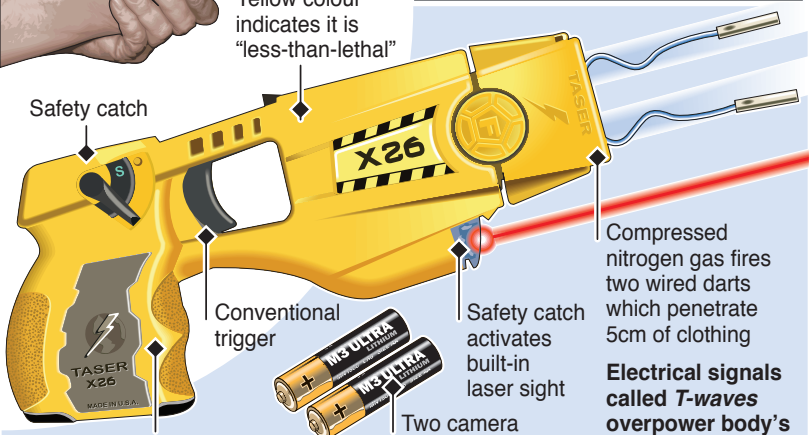


Yellow colour indicates it is "less-than-lethal"

Safety catch

Conventional trigger

Safety catch activates built-in laser sight



Compressed nitrogen gas fires two wired darts which penetrate 5cm of clothing

Electrical signals called **T-waves** overpower body's central nervous system – target falls to ground

On-board memory card stores date and time of each discharge to monitor usage and prevent abuse

Two camera batteries produce 100,000 Taser electrical pulses

