Landmines

Landmines come in two varieties: anti-personnel and anti-vehicle mines. Both have caused great suffering in the past decades. Anti-personnel landmines are prohibited under the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction (or Mine Ban Convention), adopted in 1997. More than 150 countries have joined this treaty. Its positive impact includes a marked reduction of casualties, an increased number of mine-free States, destroyed stockpiles and improved assistance to victims.

https://disarmament.unoda.org/convarms/Landmines/

UN Treaties

- Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their destruction. Oslo, 18 September 1997
  https://treaties.un.org/t/mine_ban

UN and related bodies

- UN Mine Action Service (UNMAS): https://www.unmas.org/
  E-MINE - UN Mine Action: http://www.mineaction.org/
- UN Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA) – Landmines: https://disarmament.unoda.org/convarms/Landmines/
  E-MINE - UN Mine Action: http://www.mineaction.org/
- UN Children’s Fund (UNICEF) – Landmines: https://www.unicef.org/topics/landmines

UN Observances

- 4 April - International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action
Selected UN documents and publications

• UN documents on "Landmines" – click [here](http://research.un.org/en/docs/disarmament)

Research & Documentation

• Dag Hammarskjöld Library Research Guides
• Fact Sheets on Disarmament Issues: [https://disarmament.unoda.org/factsheets/](https://disarmament.unoda.org/factsheets/)
• Disarmament Yearbooks Online 1945 – 2022: [https://disarmament.unoda.org/publications/yearbook/](https://disarmament.unoda.org/publications/yearbook/)
• Ask Dag!
  o How many types of landmines are there? [https://ask.un.org/faq/14489](https://ask.un.org/faq/14489)
  o How many landmines are in the ground worldwide? [https://ask.un.org/faq/14494](https://ask.un.org/faq/14494)
  o How much money is needed to remove all of the world’s landmines? [https://ask.un.org/faq/14499](https://ask.un.org/faq/14499)
  o What is the impact of landmines, explosive remnants of war (ERW) and unexploded ordnance (UXO)? [https://ask.un.org/faq/14493](https://ask.un.org/faq/14493)
  o What are the components of mine action? [https://ask.un.org/faq/14495](https://ask.un.org/faq/14495)

Non-UN Sources

• International Campaign to Ban Landmines (ICBL) [http://www.icbl.org](http://www.icbl.org)