



## Weapon Alpha (Paperback)

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Crypt Publishing, Mauritius, 2012. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. Please note that the content of this book primarily consists of articles available from Wikipedia or other free sources online. The RUR-4 Weapon Alpha (originally Weapon Able) was an American naval ahead-throwing ASW rocket launcher. Similar to the earlier American Mousetrap, 375mm (14.8 ) Swedish Bofors, and 250mm (9.8 ) and 300mm (11.8 ) Soviet systems, all of which use multiple rockets, Weapon Alpha was developed toward the end of World War II, in response to the German Type XXI U-boat. Begun in a crash program in 1944-5 and put in service before undergoing operational evaluation, it emerged in 1950 as a 227 kg (500lb) 127mm (5 ) rocket with a 113 kg (250lb) warhead that sank at 12m/s (40ft/s) (compared to a depth charge, which sank at between 2.7-5m/s ), an influence or time pistol, and a range of 360-730m (400-800yd). Coupled to the new SQG-1 depth-finding sonar (for setting the time fuse, rather than the hydrostatic pistol of a depth charge), it was to be fired from a revolving Mark 108 launcher (with 22 rounds of ready ammunition) at up to twelve rounds per minute. The...



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