USE AND CARE OF THE MAGTOUCH PATROL BATON

1 - BATON PARTS

Magtouch patrol batons are used to clock points along a patrol route. The time and date of each clocking is stored in the baton and downloaded at a later stage for reporting purposes.

The baton has been designed as a low maintenance unit and if correctly used and looked after, will only need to come in for a service when the battery needs replacement. Depending on how much work the baton does, the battery could last anything between 4 to 8 years.

All Magtouch batons are supplied with a pouch which fits onto your belt. This will keep the baton safe and on your person.

A well cared for baton will give you years of uninterrupted service.

2 - USING A BATON

Points are clocked by touching the touch port at the front of the baton to the ID button. If the light at the back of the baton flashes once, it was a successful clocking. If the light flashes twice or not at all, it was an unsuccessful clocking. It is not necessary to use force when clocking.

If you are doing a correct clocking but the light doesn’t flash at all. It may be that the LED has stopped working. Continue to clock and patrol as normal. If the LED is faulty, the data will still be recorded in the baton.

If you have an ID tag, you should clock this with the baton at the start and end of your shift, plus at the start and end of each patrol. This will identify that you have completed the patrol and/or shift.

Some points can be designated as loiter zones (you need to wait there for a certain amount of time). You will then need to clock this point on arrival and again on leaving.

3 - CARING FOR YOUR BATON

Check the lanyard keyring regularly. Damage to the lanyard keyring is the first sign that the baton is not being looked after.

Log hand over of the baton in your OB book, with comments on the condition of the casing and lanyard. This will help to identify which guards are abusing the baton.

The baton and ID points are water proof but should be cleaned regularly. Points can be wiped down with a cloth. The brass insert of the touch port can get dirty and also needs to be cleaned. Use a steel brush and work in a circular motion to remove the dirt and grime from the brass insert. Don’t use steel wool as the metal filings in the steel wool can get caught between the casing and brass touch port causing a short.
The surgical grade stainless steel is tough and manufactured to handle the daily knocks of every day use, however, the baton has not been made to be used as a smacking tool.

Inside the stainless steel casing is a state of the art PC board. While the greatest care is taken during assembly to ensure that the board is protected against movement, excessive bashing of the Magtouch baton will eventually result in damage to the electronic components, wiring or both.

Both end caps have been sealed shut and require a special tool for opening. Opening the baton will break the water tight seal and result in damage to components and/or wiring inside the baton. It is not necessary to open the baton for any reason.

This baton is water proof and can be used in the rain. Should you drop the baton in water, the baton will still work and just needs to be wiped clean.

The Magtouch baton has been designed to clock ID buttons. It is not recommended:
1) to submerge the baton to depths in excess of 10 meters
2) to subject the baton to temperatures in excess of 80°C
3) to use the baton to touch high voltage

ONLY EVER USE A MAGTOUCH BATON TO TOUCH AN ID BUTTON AND NOTHING ELSE.

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