

# Estate Sale Turns Up UXO

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**River Falls, Wisconsin** Customers going through items at an estate sale came across some old ammunition cans. As the customers were handling and opening the cans, they noticed that one of them appeared to contain ordnance. The customers notified the estate sale management team who in turn called the River Falls Police Department. The police responded with technical support from the Marathon County Bomb Squad. Nearby residents were evacuated and streets were closed as bomb technicians investigated the ordnance.

The bomb squad identified the live ammunition as M49A2 HE filled mortars. The deceased owner of the ammunition was reportedly a collector of military memorabilia. It's unknown how long the deceased man had the ordnance in his home. A search of the remaining items in the home did not reveal any additional munition items. The bomb disposal unit safely transported the ordnance from the home for proper disposal.