

# **NIBRS Tip of the Month**

## **Type of Weapon or Force**

**Up to three types of weapons or force can be indicated for the following offenses:**

**Assault Offenses**

**Extortion/Blackmail**

**Homicide Offenses**

**Human Trafficking Offenses**

**Kidnapping/Abduction**

**Robbery**

**Sex Offenses**

**Weapon Law Violations**



### **Allowable Data Values for Types of Weapons or Force:**

**Asphyxiation**

**Blunt Object**

**Drugs/Narcotics**

**Explosives**

**Fire/Incendiary Device**

**Firearm**

**Handgun**

**Knife/Cutting Instrument**

**Motor Vehicle/Vessel**

**Personal Weapons**

**Poison**

**Rifle**

**Shotgun**

**Other Firearm**

**Other**

**None**

**Unknown**

**Important: Automatic weapons do not include semi-automatic types. Automatic means the firearm shoots more than one shot by a single pull of the trigger.**