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Field Manual



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DESIGNATION

COMMON NAME: Color Bleeder
DCC CLASS: CB-[REDACTED]
THREAT CATEGORY: EXTREME
CONTAINMENT PRIORITY: LOW
SECRECY PRIORITY: ABSOLUTE

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Color Bleeders are large, slug-like predatory organisms capable of advanced environmental camouflage.

When dormant, the organism presents as:

- A wet shadow
- A color smear
- An oil-like stain
- A saturation anomaly in the visual field

Most civilian witnesses fail to identify the organism as biological prior to engagement.

This failure rate is considered acceptable.

SIZE & MORPHOLOGY

- Length: 8 12 feet (fully extended)
- Height: Variable (compression capable)
- Body Structure: Amorphous, muscular, adhesive
- Visible Features: None when camouflaged

True surface texture is gelatinous, dark, and irregular, visible only during feeding or camouflage failure.

CAMOUFLAGE MECHANISM

Color Bleeders possess chromatophoric tissue capable of mimicking:

- Color
- Texture
- Light absorption



*Deceased color
bleeders*

- Environmental shadow behavior

Camouflage is context-aware, not reactive.

If an area looks wrong only after you notice it, camouflage has already succeeded.

Night vision, thermal optics, and infrared devices are ineffective.

AUDITORY LURE (CRITICAL)

Color Bleeders emit juvenile human vocalizations, most commonly:

- Infant laughter
- Toddler babbling
- Short giggles with irregular timing

Sound characteristics:

- Directionally misleading
- Slightly distorted
- Emotionally triggering

This lure is specifically effective against:

- Parents
- Caregivers
- Individuals with high empathy response

HUNTING & FEEDING

Preferred hunting zones:

- Residential backyards
- School routes
- Playgrounds
- Wood lines near homes



Attack sequence:

1. Prey approaches auditory source
2. Adhesive tendrils deploy
3. Prey is pulled beneath organism
4. Digestive enzymes dissolve tissue externally

Subjects remain conscious for up to 40 seconds.

Skeletal remains are not recovered.



CAMOUFLAGE FAILURE ("BLEEDING")

Under stress, the organism's camouflage destabilizes.

Observed effects:

- Color oversaturation
- Pattern flicker
- Visual distortion similar to corrupted video frames
- Partial exposure of internal tissue

This phenomenon is the origin of the designation Color Bleeder.

Witnesses rarely survive this phase.

BEHAVIORAL NOTES

- Does not pursue fleeing prey
- Does not respond to gunfire reliably
- Exhibits patience exceeding human tolerance thresholds
- Will abandon feeding zones if attention increases
- Some sensitivity to intense cologne or perfume

Color Bleeders are not territorial.
They are opportunistic.

FIELD ADVISORIES

- Do NOT investigate unexplained childlike sounds
- Do NOT touch environmental discolorations
- Do NOT attempt confirmation visually
- Use distance, not observation
- Use dog food as bait at minimum distance of 20 m to observe color bleeders in area. Dog food generates best results ~~and tastes great.~~

If you hear laughter where no child should be:
Leave immediately. Let LLE investigate as a feed
Color Bleeder is much easier to handle.

CONTAINMENT POLICY

Containment is not recommended.

Preferred outcomes:

- Displacement
- Civilian narrative suppression
- Environmental denial

Direct engagement yields poor results.

INTER-SPECIES NOTES

- Swivels actively avoid Color Bleeder zones
- Sleepers benefit indirectly from Bleeder presence
- Oil Men disrupt Bleeder camouflage unintentionally

This relationship is under study.

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FINAL NOTE

Color Bleeders do not behave like predators.

They behave like errors.

Correcting the error is not required.

Preventing others from noticing it is.

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