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Streamlight, Inc  
Stinger DS HPL Rechargeable Flashlight  
**Overall Score: 4.6**  
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Tester 1 of 2  
Tested by a member from Pennsylvania

Design 4  
Performance 4  
Ease of Use 5  
Size 5  
Quality 5  
Durability 5  
Storage 4  
Versatility 5  
Convenience 5  
Application 5  
Comfort 5  
Accuracy 5  
Cleaning & Maintenance 5

Individual Score 4.85

I recently had the opportunity to test the Streamlight Stinger DS HPL Rechargeable Flashlight. Over the 45 days of my testing period, I did have multiple occasions to utilize this product on multiple platforms. I am currently assigned to the K9 unit within my agency and also assigned to a multi-jurisdictional SWAT team. I was able to use this product on the street, the range and also in different training environments. On the street, I did notice that the product is extremely durable, comfortable to use and almost the perfect size for a primary light. This product is very bright and the pulsating option is definitely a very useful tool for traffic control as well as disorientation of a suspect. I did put this product through a series of extreme abuses. This product was dropped, thrown and at times even used as tug for my K9 partner. I was very impressed with its durability and continued operation. This light was dropped in water, snow, mud and even ran over by my patrol vehicle by accident. Nothing seemed to stop this light. I was also pleasantly surprised with the short recharging time of the light. I have owned Streamlight products in the past and as always continue to be impressed with their products.

Tester 2 of 2

Tested by a member from Michigan

Design 4.5

Performance 4.5

Ease of Use 3

Size 3

Quality 5

Durability 5

Versatility 5

Convenience 4.2

Application 5

Comfort 3.2

Cleaning & Maintenance 5

Individual Score 4.35

I'm very pleased to have tested the Streamlight Stinger DS HPL flashlight. The light was very durable as I performed many drop tests. I did my best to accidentally break the flashlight to no avail. The light is rated for 740 lumens and I thought that it might be too much light for a small room, but I was able to see and not be overwhelmed by using the light. There are three intensity settings but I've never needed to use this feature on any Streamlight before. There is also a strobe for disorienting/signaling, but I've never found a use for this feature either. I have small hands and was a little worried that its larger size would not fit my hands, but it fit my needs for all handgun flashlight techniques. There is a tail cap switch and a head mounted switch, so even the older Ayoob and Chapman techniques could be used. The only downside I can see with this light is that it needs a flat low roll surface, as I dropped it on tile floors and it had a tendency to roll further than I wanted. The other downside is that it needs a more positive grip surface. There is a textured rubber grip on the light but it's kind of slippery when wet and could slip out of wet hands. Otherwise, this light is outstanding for duty.