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Hello Fellow CARGO Members,

**The next CARGO meeting is:
Thursday, October 15th and
we are meeting!**

We are meeting at Armadillo Shooting range this Thursday evening. The range closes at 6:00 however, Austin has graciously offered to let CARGO use their classroom building for our meeting from 5:30 to 9:00 ish.

He said that 20 to 25 people will fit and still have room for social distancing.

We can also use the garage and driveway if necessary.

If you intend on being at the meeting, please let me know so that I can get an Idea on the number of people to plan for.

Early voting in Texas is from October 13th through October 30th. The General Election is November 3rd. While every election is important, this election is like no other in our lifetimes.

Please use these resources to validate who supports the 2nd Amendment and our Constitutional freedoms.

<https://www.nrapvf.org/grades> For Texas: <https://www.nrapvf.org/grades/texas/>

<https://www.tsrapac.com/endorsements>

<https://gunowners.org/congressional-ratings/>

When you get a minute please contact President Trump and the DOJ regarding the Honey Badger:

<https://gunowners.org/na10072020/>

<https://act.nraila.org/actions/campaigns/9840>

I hope that you are all well and surviving the situation as best you can. Please use the CARGO@att.net email or the CARGO Facebook page if you need to get in touch with the club.

Take care and be safe,

Paul

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Thank you,
Paul Curtis
President – CARGO

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Joe Biden promises to put Beto O'Rourke in charge of gun control

By **Mark Moore**

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Moments after former Democratic presidential candidate Beto O'Rourke — who promised in a September debate to **take away legally purchased assault rifles** if elected — endorsed Joe Biden's White House run, the former vice president promised to name the Texan as his point man on gun control.

"I want to make something clear, I'm going to guarantee you this is not the last you've seen of him," Biden said Monday evening during a campaign rally in Dallas. "You're going to take care of the gun problem with me. You're going to be the one who leads this effort."

"I'm counting on you. I'm counting on you," Biden continued. "We need you badly, the state needs you, the country needs you. You're the best."

O'Rourke, a former congressman from El Paso, **dropped out of the race** last November.

He notably railed against automatic weapons during a presidential debate in September and reiterated his backing of a mandatory gun buyback program, saying such weapons were "designed to kill on the battlefield."

"Hell, yes, we're going to take your AR-15, your AK-47," O'Rourke said. "We're not going to allow it to be used against our fellow Americans anymore."

The debate came just weeks after two high-profile mass shootings, including one in O'Rourke's hometown of El Paso **in which 22 people died**.

Biden also got the endorsements of Sen. Amy Klobuchar and former South Bend, Ind., Mayor Pete Buttigieg at the rally.

<https://www.vox.com/2020/8/20/21377041/joe-biden-gun-violence-plan-dnc-democratic-convention>

The Democratic convention highlighted gun violence. Here's what Biden plans to do about it.

Biden has a plan to take on the NRA again. But it's unclear if Democrats will prioritize the issue.

By [German Lopez@germanlopezgerman.lopez@vox.com](mailto:GermanLopez@germanlopezgerman.lopez@vox.com) Aug 20, 2020, 9:10am EDT



Former Vice President Joe Biden attends the 2020 Gun Safety Forum, hosted by gun control activist groups Giffords and March for Our Lives, on October 2, 2019. *Ethan Miller/Getty Images*

In one of the standout moments at the Democratic National Convention on Wednesday, former Arizona Rep. Gabby Giffords retold her story — explaining how she went from being the victim of an assassination attempt to a gun violence crusader. “We are a nation ready to end gun violence,” Giffords said, endorsing former Vice President Joe Biden’s presidential run. She ended her speech with a call for those watching to “vote, vote, vote.”

Biden does have a record, and a plan, in favor of gun control. In the 1990s, he was a top Democrat in getting both federal background checks and a 10-year assault weapon ban enacted. Biden has often boasted that he has “taken on the National Rifle Association (NRA) on the national stage and won — twice.”

As part of his presidential campaign, Biden introduced a **sweeping gun control plan** that includes universal background checks, an assault weapons ban, more resources toward the enforcement of existing gun laws, a public push for the development of “**smart guns**,” and incentives for states to adopt “red flag” laws,

which let courts confiscate guns from people deemed a risk to themselves or others and develop gun-licensing systems.

With **mass shootings** and **more typical everyday gun violence** regularly making headlines, there's a lot of support for Democrats to act on gun control — with more recent support coming from movements like March for Our Lives, which formed after the 2018 Parkland, Florida, school shooting in which a gunman killed 17 people and injured 17 others.

But there are still questions about how likely gun control is to pass. For one, it would almost certainly require Democrats to retake the Senate — an electoral feat on top of winning the White House. And if Democrats do take the Senate, it's unclear if they'd prioritize action on gun violence over **Covid-19**, the economy, climate change, health care, and criminal justice.

What Biden's gun control plan does

Biden's plan would make sweeping changes to federal gun laws, with universal background checks, an assault weapons ban, and red flag laws checking off much of what activists have demanded over the past few years.

Biden's plan would also close **several loopholes** in existing law, repeal a **law** that made it harder to sue gun manufacturers and sellers when they make or sell guns they should have known would be diverted to criminal uses, limit the number of guns an individual can purchase to one per month, require safe storage, finance **strategies to combat urban violence**, and fund more research into preventing gun violence. (For more specifics, **read Biden's full plan.**)

Still, the plan doesn't go as far as some of Biden's Democratic rivals did during the primary. Sens. **Cory Booker** and **Elizabeth Warren**, for example, proposed a federal licensing system — one that would require everyone in the US to obtain a license to buy and own firearms. But Biden's plan only includes financial incentives for states to adopt licensing, which they could decline to do.

In the past, Biden has criticized the concept of licensing, **saying** it “will not change whether or not people buy what weapons — what kinds of weapons they can buy, where they can use them, how they can store them.” The **research**, however, has found licensing is among the more effective proposals for reducing gun deaths, more so than universal background checks or an assault weapons ban.

Biden's plan also doesn't include, as **Booker** and former Rep. **Beto O'Rourke** previously called for, a mandatory buyback program — essentially, a confiscation scheme — for assault weapons. Instead, his plan has a voluntary buyback program through which gun owners can sell assault weapons. But if gun owners don't sell their assault weapons, they'll have to go through a background check and register the weapons, like they're already forced to do with machine guns today.

Tougher gun laws are backed by the research. A 2016 **review** of 130 studies in 10 countries, published in *Epidemiologic Reviews*, **found** that new legal restrictions on owning and purchasing guns tended to be followed by a drop in gun violence — a strong indicator that restricting access to guns can save lives.

The big question: Will Biden's plan really happen?

Many forms of gun control poll very well, with universal background checks in particular **regularly getting** 80-plus percent support from Americans over the past few years.

The reality, though, is Congress hasn't passed a major gun control law since the measures in 1993 and 1994.

The concern is what's known as the intensity gap: Opponents of stricter gun laws are willing to vote based on that one issue, while supporters of gun control usually aren't. So if Congress were to pass sweeping gun control legislation, there's a chance that supporters of the law would be disproportionately punished by voters, while those who vote against the law may get more support.

This has been a problem for decades. As Republican strategist Grover Norquist **said** in 2000, "The question is intensity versus preference. You can always get a certain percentage to say they are in favor of some gun controls. But are they going to vote on their 'control' position?" Probably not, he suggested, "but for that 4-5 percent who care about guns, they will vote on this."

It's possible this has changed. With years of frequent mass shootings and the **rise of the March for Our Lives movement**, it's not out of the question that the political momentum has tipped toward supporters of gun control.

But has it been enough? If Democrats take over the Senate and White House, they've promised an extremely ambitious agenda — with action on Covid-19,

health care reform that builds on the Affordable Care Act, a Green New Deal, a wide-ranging economic plan with **“Build Back Better,”** and **criminal justice reform.**

With so much on their plate, Democrats will have to set priorities. The question is if they will, or even should, prioritize gun violence over all those other issues, given that whatever they do first is likely to inspire some sort of backlash among more conservative voters (for example, the Affordable Care Act helped trigger the Tea Party).

It remains to be seen. But it means that the most important question on gun violence may not be what policies Biden and Democrats support, but whether they will actually pursue such policies once they’re in power.

<https://gunowners.org/media-completely-missed-the-mark-on-kyle-rittenhouse/>

GOA IN THE NEWS

MEDIA COMPLETELY MISSED THE MARK ON KYLE RITTENHOUSE

Written by Rachel Malone, Contributor, The Houston Courant Published: 07 September 2020

I've had it with the media demonizing gun owners. Kyle Rittenhouse's story provides the perfect example of a prejudiced press twisting the facts to put self-defense in the worst possible light, and we shouldn't tolerate it for a



minute.

While not all of the facts are fully known, the evidence currently available seems to tell an abundantly clear story: Kyle was serving his community when angry mobs attacked him, and he stopped the threat.

Now, reporters could have said exactly that.

But those facts just don't cut it for a media that is rabidly eager to destroy the concept of a gun being used for good. No way could *that* be the story of the day. So they got . . . creative.

Did anyone else hear that he "crossed state lines" to travel to Kenosha? I heard that, too. Technically, this is true, although it paints a totally different picture than reality. The words that the press chose to use made it seem like he'd traveled hundreds of miles, far from where he lived. In reality though, his

hometown of Antioch, IL is only about 20 miles from Kenosha, WI. Kyle worked in Kenosha as a lifeguard. It is truly his community.

The media then told us that this teenager was firing indiscriminately into a crowd. They **labeled him** the “shooter” in headlines that told us that he “**open fired.**”

That sure isn't what I saw on the videos. I saw a teen who had his wits about him even as he was being chased by a crazy mob. He had an AR-15, which means he had the ability to shoot his attackers. But he held his fire until he tripped, at which point he had absolutely no other escape. And even then, he shot only the ones who were actually attacking him and threatening his life.

Online articles dedicate paragraph after paragraph to discussing the “peaceful” protestors and how fearful they were when they saw someone wearing a backwards baseball cap and a gun—that would be Kyle.

Reporters lead with Biden's words which link Rittenhouse to “white supremacists and white nationalists and Neo-Nazis and the KKK.” Although they are forced to admit that there is absolutely no evidence to connect Rittenhouse with these violent and horrible groups, it's easy to skip over the disclaimers, which are sandwiched in between **repeated Biden quotes**. These same articles barely even attempt to reference the **statements** from Kyle's attorneys—his own representatives who are **telling the story from his perspective**.

But who expects the press to actually care about the facts that make a gun owner look good? There may be exceptions, but in general, mainstream media has about the same amount of unbiased characterization of gun owners as Elizabeth Warren has Indian blood. It just ain't so, y'all.

This is the media that **painted burglars as the victims** when an Austin homeowner shot back to defend his “castle” earlier this year. From the headlines and the style in which the story was reported, readers just skimming the story could have gotten the impression that two poor, unfortunate innocents were needlessly murdered.

This is the same media that regularly identifies standard semiautomatic guns “weapons of war” despite the fact that **hundreds—possibly thousands—of Americans every single day use guns**, including semiautomatics, to successfully

to defend their lives and escape attackers. It's not uncommon for these self-defenders to use AR-15 rifles just like Kyle did.

I'll be candid: I don't know all the facts of what happened in Kenosha. I reserve the right to change my opinion based on evidence that may come out in the future. But I can tell you that, so far, the evidence that has come out after the fact points even more solidly to a self-defense case.

Even the 9th Circuit Court—notorious for its anti-gun decisions on appeal from California—**stated recently** that “an average of 657 Americans — and perhaps up to 6,849 Americans — use guns to defend themselves every single day of the year.” The same opinion points out that minorities, women, and other population segments are often targets for increased violence, and often the only way for them to stay safe is for them to arm themselves—yes, with a gun. Couldn't the press to take a cue and at least acknowledge this truth? I won't hold my breath.

<https://www.nraila.org/articles/20201006/your-action-needed-urge-the-department-of-justice-to-rein-in-atfs-arbitrary-determination-on-honey-badger-pistol>

Your Action Needed: Urge the Department of Justice to Rein in ATF's Arbitrary Determination on "Honey Badger" Pistol!

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2020



SUPPORT NRA-ILA

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives ("ATF") **recently informed firearm manufacturer Q, LLC** that, in ATF's view, Q's "Honey Badger" pistol with stabilizing brace is actually a short-barreled rifle and therefore subject to the National Firearms Act ("NFA"). The NRA strongly disagrees with this arbitrary, inequitable, and incorrect determination by ATF that puts millions of firearms owners in danger of federal prosecution.

CLICK HERE TAKE ACTION

Since 2012, ATF has repeatedly found that firearms with pistol stabilizing braces, like the one equipped on Q's Honey Badger pistol, are not "designed, made, and intended to be fired from the shoulder," and are therefore not subject to regulation under the NFA. Now, with no notice or opportunity for public input, ATF appears to be reversing course.

Rather than create a clear set of rules that law-abiding gun owners and manufactures can follow, ATF seems to be taking a "I'll know it when I see it" approach to classifying firearms. This arbitrary approach is clearly inconsistent with the right to keep and bear arms and due process of law.

By blurring the lines on legal definitions that carry serious criminal consequences, ATF is putting law-abiding gun owners, the firearm industry, and law enforcement in the impossible position of attempting to read the minds of ATF bureaucrats when complying with or applying federal law.

Please take action by contacting the Department of Justice and asking them to take swift action to rein in ATF and reverse this terrible determination

<https://www.gunsamerica.com/digest/atf-declares-the-q-honey-badger-pistol-an-sbr-the-industry-responds-in-force/>

ATF Declares the Q Honey Badger Pistol an SBR, the Industry Responds in Force

by MAX SLOWIK on OCTOBER 7, 2020



The Honey Badger's in a bit of hot water with the ATF. (Photo: Q)

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the BATFE or ATF, recently reclassified the [Honey Badger Pistol](#) as a short-barreled rifle, or SBR, and issued a cease and desist to Q, the company that makes it.

No formal reason was included with the initial letter sent on August 3, leaving gun owners and gun manufacturers alike confused and understandably angry. And now the gun industry is pushing back.

“The Firearms and Ammunition Technology Division examined the Honey Badger Pistol manufactured and marketed by Q, LLC and determined the firearm is a short-barreled rifle as defined under the NFA,” wrote the ATF.

“A short-barreled rifle is subject to the registration, transfer, taxation and possession restrictions regarding these regulated firearms, which include criminal penalties,” the ATF continued.

Responses from the industry:

“Q is seeking solutions that best protect you, the individual, and Q’s distribution network from falling out of compliance with ATF regulations, and federal law,” [said Q in a statement](#). “At this time, Q has not received any definitive guidance from the ATF.”

“This arbitrary approach is creating confusion and uncertainty for millions of law-abiding citizens, manufacturers, retailers, and wholesalers,” [said SB Tactical](#). “SB Tactical is the inventor of the Pistol Stabilizing Brace and is deeply committed to our customers, the Second Amendment, and the rule of law. The ATF’s approach is unfair and unlawful.”

“SB Tactical will, undoubtedly and unwaveringly, continue to support Q, LLC. We are tirelessly working with congressional leadership, the White House, and the Department of Justice to ensure that legal gun owners’ rights and the rights of manufacturers are not in jeopardy. It is our hope that the ATF’s latest policy interpretations, politically motivated or not, are corrected and that the confusion created can be reversed.”

“We are disappointed to learn the ATF has been allowed to continue to target small businesses and put millions of firearms owners in danger of federal prosecution,” said the [Firearms Regulatory Accountability Coalition](#), or FRAC.

“We strongly disagree with this arbitrary, inequitable, and poorly advised determination which was carried out in a completely non-transparent and hostile manner,” they added.



These brace-equipped pistols are so popular that virtually every American rifle company makes them. *(Photo: SB Tactical)*

“[The] ATF has once again unlawfully and unconstitutionally exceeded its authority and changed the law by issuing a new determination that is devoid of logic and reason, contains no explanation as to the manner in which it arrived at its conclusion, conflicts with its prior determinations, and embodies the very essence of ‘arbitrary and capricious’,” said the [Firearms Policy Coalition](#), or FPC.

“There can be no question that our Constitution requires accountability to coincide with the enactment of laws, and that those laws must be within specific, limited, and enumerated powers, not left to bureaucrats who escape all aspects of responsibility,” the FPC continued. “Once more, we remind ATF and the executive branch that their authority has limits and that, if need be, they will once again be reminded of those limits through legal action.”

“Once again, gun owners, manufacturers, and dealers are subject to the whims of the anti-gun bureaucrats who run the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives,” said the [Gun Owners of America](#), or GOA.

“The latest outrage is that they have reclassified Q, LLC’s Honey Badger Pistol as a short barrel rifle subject to regulation under the provisions of the National Firearms Act including a \$200 transfer tax.”

“Pistol braces have been a source of confusion for ATF for several years,” continues the GOA. “[The] ATF said that if a shooter used a brace as a stock, then the firearm would become an SBR. They later retreated from that position. This is but one of the many reasons why GOA is pushing to repeal not just part of but all of the NFA.”

See Also: [Lawmakers Send Letter to ATF to Stop Secret Rules Restricting Pistol Braces](#)

The Honey Badger Pistol, like many other AR, AK and other “large-format” pistols, comes standard with a pistol brace, not a rifle stock. This, in conjunction with other features, can prevent the ATF from classifying the gun as an SBR, meaning it is not regulated under the National Firearms Act, or NFA.

In addition to local, state and federal restrictions, NFA firearms are tightly regulated and require an additional tax stamp to make or transfer. The costs and restrictions associated with SBRs are often frustrating and for some, outright prohibit the possibility of owning these rifles.

Pistol versions of these guns — like the Honey Badger Pistol, at least, formerly — don’t have these restrictions. While they typically don’t have all of the same features and can’t use stocks, they are extremely popular alternatives, and just about every rifle manufacturer makes pistol versions of their guns for this booming market.

With the ATF's decision to reclassify the Honey Badger Pistol as an SBR, many gun owners and gun manufacturers will be left to wonder if their pistols will receive the same treatment. If the ATF's decision remains in place, or if they make other decisions like this one, the future status of large-format pistols might require a day in court.

<https://www.tacticalshit.com/atf-sends-cease-and-desist-to-q-honey-badger-pistol-is-really-an-sbr/>

ATF Sends Cease and Desist to Q, Honey Badger Pistol, is REALLY an SBR?

Posted on October 7, 2020 by FDE



Firearms Policy Coalition (FPC) has issued the following statement regarding ATF's action against Q, LLC's (Q) Honey Badger Pistol and its status as a purported short barrel rifle:

ATF has once again unlawfully and unconstitutionally exceeded its authority and changed the law by issuing a new determination that is devoid of logic and reason, contains no explanation as to the manner in which it arrived at its

conclusion, conflicts with its prior determinations, and embodies the very essence of “arbitrary and capricious”.

In Re: Cease and Desist - “Honey Badger” Firearm

To Whom It May Concern:

This is in reference to the Q, LLC model Honey Badger Pistol, manufactured and marketed by your company. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (“ATF”) examined this firearm and determined that the Honey Badger Pistol is a “firearm” as defined by the National Firearms Act (NFA). Additionally, ATF is aware of two similar firearms marketed by Q, LLC, the Sugar Weasel and Mini Fix, which may also be “firearms” as defined by the NFA.

The NFA defines a firearm to include, in relevant part, “a rifle having a barrel or barrels of less than 16 inches in length.” 26 U.S.C. § 5845. A rifle is defined under section 5845(c) as –

[a] weapon designed or redesigned, made or remade, and intended to be fired from the shoulder and designed or redesigned and made or remade to use the energy of the explosive in a fixed cartridge to fire only a single projectile through a rifled bore for each single pull of the trigger, and shall include any such weapon which may be readily restored to fire a fixed cartridge.

After examining a sample Q Honey Badger Pistol, the ATF’s Firearms and Ammunition Technology Division (FATD) concluded that “the objective features of the Honey Badger firearm, configured with the subject stabilizing brace, indicate the firearm is designed and intended to be fired from the shoulder.” FATD further concluded that it is a SBR as defined by the National Firearms Act (NFA) and Gun Control Act (GCA). Yet, ATF does not explain how it arrived at this conclusion other than vague generalizations that the firearm was “designed” to be fired from the shoulder and by virtue of its barrel length meeting the definition of a SBR.

FPC believes that the ATF, NFA, GCA, and every other law that threatens the People with disarmament and prison for exercising human rights should be abolished. Our legal team will continue to closely monitor this issue and take whatever action is necessary, possible, and prudent to protect the rights of law-abiding gun owners and our members against abusive government agencies and policies.

Q, makers of the Honey Badger pistol, has just issued the following notice to its customers:

Dear Customer:

On August 3rd, 2020, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (“ATF”) issued Q® a formal Cease & Desist letter, notifying us that ATF has taken the position that the Q Honey Badger Pistol is a short-barreled rifle (“SBR”) regulated under the National Firearms Act (“NFA”). In response, Q has ceased all production of the Honey Badger Pistol, and submitted a comprehensive letter to ATF and the Department of Justice (“DOJ”) stating why we disagree with this classification[1]. Additionally, we have provided recommendations on how to address the firearms already in circulation. Q is seeking solutions that best protect you, the individual, and Q’s distribution network from falling out of compliance with ATF regulations, and federal law. At this time, Q has not received any definitive guidance from the ATF.

In the meantime, Q encourages possessors of the Honey Badger Pistol to take these proactive measures until a resolution is reached between Q and ATF.

1. Complete one of the following:

A: Remove the barreled upper receiver from the lower receiver and dedicate it as a replacement
for another AR-style pistol or registered short-barreled rifle; *or*

B: If you do not possess another AR-style pistol or registered short-barreled rifle, remove the barreled upper receiver from the lower receiver and temporarily transfer it out of your possession by, for example, transferring it to the dominion and control of another individual; *and*

2. Once the previous step is completed, you may file an ATF Form 1 to register the lower receiver as a short-barreled rifle. Upon Form 1 approval, the firearm may be reassembled.

Failure to complete option a or option b could result in prosecution and is subject to a \$10,000.00 fine and up to 10 years imprisonment.

If you are concerned with this situation – as Q is – we urge you to contact the Department of Justice (ATF’s parent agency) by using the below OneClickPolitics link.

Additionally, we encourage you to reach out to the White House and ask President Trump to halt and rollback ATF's efforts to issue arbitrary and capricious decisions affecting millions of legal gun owners.

- **White House Comment Line:**
 - (202) 456-1111 / Email

Residents from the following states and districts should reach out to their congressional representatives to let them know what they think of ATF's actions:

- **Kentucky – Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R)** – <https://www.mcconnell.senate.gov/public/>
 - (202) 224-2541 / Email
- **Alabama – Sen. Richard Shelby (R)** – Chairman of the Senate Committee on Appropriations and oversees funding of DOJ/ATF. <https://www.shelby.senate.gov/public/>
 - (202) 224-5744 / Email
- **Kansas – Sen. Jerry Moran (R)** – Chairman of the Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies (CJS) which is responsible for funding the ATF.
 - (202) 224-6521 / Email
- **South Carolina – Sen. Lindsey Graham (R)** – Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, which is responsible for ATF oversight.
 - (202) 224-5972 / Email
- **Ohio 4th District – Congressman Jim Jordan (R)** – Ranking member on the House Judiciary Committee which has jurisdiction over 2nd amendment issues. <https://jordan.house.gov/>
 - (202) 225-2676 / Email
- **If you are not from one these States**, you can find your representative's contact information here: <https://www.contactingcongress.org/>

Q takes extreme care to remain in compliance with federal law, and we share your frustration with this development. We apologize for this situation and want to assure you that we, in conjunction with SB Tactical® and the National Rifle Association (NRA®), are doing everything in our power to resolve this matter amicably for all parties involved.

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/kamala-harris-pledges-executive-order-on-gun-control-if-congress-doesnt-act-in-her-first-100-days>

Kamala Harris pledges executive order on gun control if Congress doesn't act in her first 100 days

By Gerren Keith Gaynor | Fox News

Published April 23, 2019

Sen. Kamala Harris on Monday night pledged that, if elected president, she will sign a series of executive orders on gun control if Congress fails to pass comprehensive legislation in her first 100 days in the Oval Office.

During a town hall hosted by CNN, Harris said that if a bill from Congress did not make it to her desk, she would unilaterally mandate [background checks](#) for customers purchasing a firearm from any dealer who sells more than five guns a year.

Dealers who violate the law, she said, would have their licenses revoked. The other executive orders would prohibit fugitives from purchasing a firearm or weapon, as well as close the loophole that allows some domestic abusers to purchase a firearm if their victim is an unwedded partner.

“There are people in Washington, D.C., supposed leaders,” Harris [said](#), “who have failed to have the courage to reject a false choice which suggests you’re either in favor of the second amendment or you want to take everyone’s guns away.”

She continued, “we need reasonable gun safety laws in this country, starting with universal background checks and a renewal of the assault weapon ban, but they have failed to have the courage to act.”

The proposal is Harris’ second policy announcement since launching her presidential campaign, the [New York Times](#) reports. The former California attorney general previously proposed a federal increase in teacher pay.

Kamala Harris Proposes Executive Orders on Gun Control

By Astead W. Herndon

April 22, 2019

Senator Kamala Harris of California, the former prosecutor who is running for the Democratic presidential nomination, on Monday committed to a host of executive actions to implement gun control measures that have long failed to pass in Congress.

At a [town hall hosted by CNN](#), Ms. Harris said that, if elected, she would sign an executive order mandating background checks for customers of any firearms dealer who sells more than five guns a year. The executive actions would also include more stringent regulation of gun manufacturers that could result in revoked licenses or prosecution, as well as an attempt to close the loophole that allows some domestic abusers to purchase guns if their victim is an unwedded partner.

“There are people in Washington, D.C., supposed leaders,” Ms. Harris said on CNN Monday evening, “who have failed to have the courage to reject a false choice which suggests you’re either in favor of the second amendment or you want to take everyone’s guns away.”

“We need reasonable gun safety laws in this country, starting with universal background checks and a renewal of the assault weapon ban,” she added, “but they have failed to have the courage to act.”

She said she would introduce the executive actions if Congress did not pass gun control legislation in the first 100 days of her presidency.

The announcement marks the second policy proposal of Ms. Harris’s presidential run; the first was a [federal increase in teacher pay](#). The two policies dovetail with Ms. Harris’s political wager, which combines her historic status as one of the most viable black women to run for president with a patchwork of incrementally progressive proposals.

In the past year, gun control has re-emerged as a top priority for Democrats, particularly after the youth-led March for Our Lives brought thousands of motivated high schoolers to Washington last year. Even as the issue has gained traction in statehouses, however, Congress has failed to enact any major gun control legislation, and Ms. Harris’s executive action would be undoubtedly controversial and would quite likely face legal challenges.

After the shooting of elementary school students in Newtown, Conn., former President Barack Obama made gun control a top priority, exerting significant political capital in a failed attempt to pass universal background checks for gun purchasers.

As a California prosecutor, Ms. Harris supported such legislation, while also calling for bans on assault weapons and high-capacity magazines, prohibiting those convicted of a federal hate crime from purchasing guns, and making gun trafficking a federal crime.

Editors' Picks

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CMMG Mk10: 10mm Perfection?

by CLAY MARTIN on OCTOBER 11, 2020



CMMG Mk10 with the steel target it killed.

It has been an absolute year of renaissance for 10mm, which has me smiling from ear to ear. While last year gained us a great many pistols, we still had not seen a wide selection in, uh, bigger pistols. The kind that looks like SBR's, but has a pistol brace which we always use in ATF approved configuration while shooting. Anyway.... A lot of submachine gun sized options did not exist for the centimeter, which I think is an absolute shame. But we laid hands on one this week that should be on your radar.



Hornady Custom 10mm used in testing.

The [CMMG Mk10](#), from the Banshee series, is everything you want in a “pistol”. I am relatively new to the CMMG offerings, but I have been very impressed so far. The [Mk47](#) might be the gun that put them on the map, but the Pistol Caliber offerings are absolutely a close second. And while they offer a wide variety of barrel lengths and calibers in the PCC class, the Mk10 stands alone in my eyes.



AR familiar controls

Starting the party is all the goodness we expect from the 300 series as CMMG standard. It is an AR-style of pistol, with familiar controls. It features an upgraded mil-spec trigger, which while it isn't an AR Gold, is a vast improvement over standard AR triggers. It has CMMG's own oversized charging handle, which is fantastic. It has the buttonless RipBrace, which means the stock brace deploys like greased lightning. Which is a lot of excellent stuff, but as I said, expected from the 300's at this point. So what makes the 10mm so far ahead of the pack?



Magazine release with a big stick SGM 30 round mag.

Well, then we get to some not so standard features. While still part of the Banshee package, it is what really both sets CMMG apart and enhances the 10mm experience. First, we have a patented bolt hold open linkage, so the Mk10 gets bolt lock like a real AR. And then we have the radial delayed blowback system.



Oversized charging handle

The bane of a blowback PCC, as any of you that have picked one up know, is the heavy for caliber recoil. Even the anemic 9mm AR's, if straight blowback, recoil harder than a 5.56 equivalent sized gun. Which kind of defeats the purpose. We have seen very few companies step up to address this. H&K and Ruger have handled it, albeit in different ways. But mostly it goes unspoken. And if it would be noticeable in 9mm, it would be much worse in 10mm.



The lower receiver

CMMG, never one to follow, saw this problem and decided to overcome it in a unique way. The patented radial delayed blow back system. Basically, the AR looking bolt has radiuses cut into the locking lugs. Through the magic of engineering, this absorbs some of the blowback energy into unlocking the bolt, as well as slowing down the returning inertia. Not only is it in theory soft, but it is also cleaner shooting since more of the gasses go down the barrel and out.



Bolt; heart of the radial delayed blowback system.

I was initially skeptical of this design because it sounds like snake oil. But I did notice in my 9mm review, it works. And in 10mm? Holy smokes. It works even better. The Mk10 is the softest shooting 10mm I have ever seen, as you can see by the hammering of targets in the review video. Recoil is basically unnoticeable, even with full power 10.



Unique carrier key

And that puts us in entirely new territory. Given the option of a PCC or an AR pistol in say, 300 AAC, I would have always chosen the 300 AAC prior to this. With a real AR buffer system, it would be faster shot to shot. But against the Mk10? I think not. And one could very easily argue that 10mm, short barrel against short barrel, is the best option. It makes a bigger hole, it is close in velocity, and the finished ammunition is lighter. And cheaper. And interchangeable with my pistol. And has bullets designed to expand at this velocity threshold. And makes for a shorter action, and therefore overall gun length. As the High Priest of the Cult of 10mm, there is nothing not to like about this new Gospel.



Mk10 muzzle brake

And then we have the finishers from CMMG. At a time when many prefer a tiny 4 or 5-inch barrel on a PCC, the Mk10 comes with an 8 inch. I personally don't like guns in this class to go any shorter than 8, or else you really risk getting a finger out in front of the barrel. It is a trade-off of modern shooting techniques and design. If I am going to bother using a "pistol" size AR instead of a pistol, I want to shoot it like an AR. One must be very careful with a super short barrel. 8 inches is enough for most of us to just grab it and start blasting, which matters to me.



Arguably the best 10mm on the market.

You wanted more? Good. How about an M-lok handguard, perfect for flashlights and lasers. Standard. A muzzle brake built for 10mm? Included, and further reducing the recoil. High capacity? It ships with a 30 round SGM magazine. I thought this also a bold move, rather than using a Glock factory magazine. But I experienced zero issues. The Mk10 ran without a hiccup.

And oh my, was range time a winner. Using Hornady Custom XTP, I ran the Mk10 hard. Not only is it incredibly soft shooting, but it just goes and goes and goes. Topped off with a Trijicon MRO, this gun is incredible. I have shot a lot of 10mm guns in my life, so I say this with some weight behind it. The Mk10 is the best 10mm on the market, hands down. At any price. And I can offer no higher praise than that.

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Why Are We Still Talking About The .308 Vs .30-06?

By [Elwood Shelton](#) - September 29, 2020



Nearly ballistic twins, the .308 versus .30-06 debate seems moot. However, some nuances can swing hunters and shooters one way or another.

How Does The .308 Vs .30-06 Debate Shake Out:

- Given its larger case capacity, the .30-06 can be pushed to moderately higher velocities.
- This velocity gives is a slight edge at longer ranges.
- Additionally, the larger case allows the .30-06 to load larger bullets.

- Since it started life at a NATO cartridge, there is a greater variety of semi-auto rifle chambered .308.
- There is some historic match proof the .308 is a more accurate cartridge.
- Though, some modern studies debate this and see the .30-06 performing better at longer ranges and the .308 better at medium range.

Despite the recent success of the upstart 6.5 Creedmoor and other metric marvels, one caliber still firmly captures the American shooter's heart. There's just no replacing the good ol' .30-caliber in all its wondrous forms. While you may have graduated to a different chambering or fallen in love with some other diameter, it's pretty certain if you're a Yankee your formative years were spent pitching some version of the medium bore. It's been that way in America at least since the .30-30 Winchester hit the scene and show little sign of abating.

Though, when talking the almighty "thirty" two cartridges generally rise to the top—the venerable .308 Winchester and the iconic .30-06 Springfield. By far the most popular options, they are ubiquitous and perhaps only lag behind the .22 LR and 5.56 NATO/.223 Remington in the most shot cartridges. But there a strange twist to the .30-caliber Winchester and Springfield. They're veritable twins. Almost.

While the cartridges are similar in many ways, the .308 vs .30-06 debate isn't entirely moot. When it comes to some niche considerations, some nuances might endear one or the other to different shooters. Then again, the shades might not account for anything to other marksmen. It all just depends on what you're talking about with these old warhorses.

Brief History

Before jumping into the specifics of the .308 vs .30-06, it might be wise to touch on both cartridges' background. Like so many things enduring in the world of firearms, the genesis of the .30-calibers begins with military service.

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A true icon, the M1 Garand in .30-06 Springfield.

The older of the two, the .30-06 was adopted in 1906 (hence the aught six), replacing the .30-03 (it parent case), 6mm Lee Navy, and .30-40 Krag. Aiding the cartridge's rise was the first rifle chambered for it, the legendary Springfield M1903. Serving admirably World War I as the U.S. expeditionary force's main service rifle, the Mauser-style bolt-action continued as a staple for American snipers in World War II. But in this conflict the .30-06 truly made a name for itself, coupled with perhaps the most legendary service rifle of all time—the M1 Garand.

Successful as the .30-06 Springfield and Garand were up through the Korean War, the powers that be believe both had run their course by mid-1950s. Concerns over capacity, manufacturing costs and logistics fueled not only a candidate to replace the M1, but also its long-action cartridge. Though, given their heroic pasts, both exerted immense gravity, evident in what replaced them.

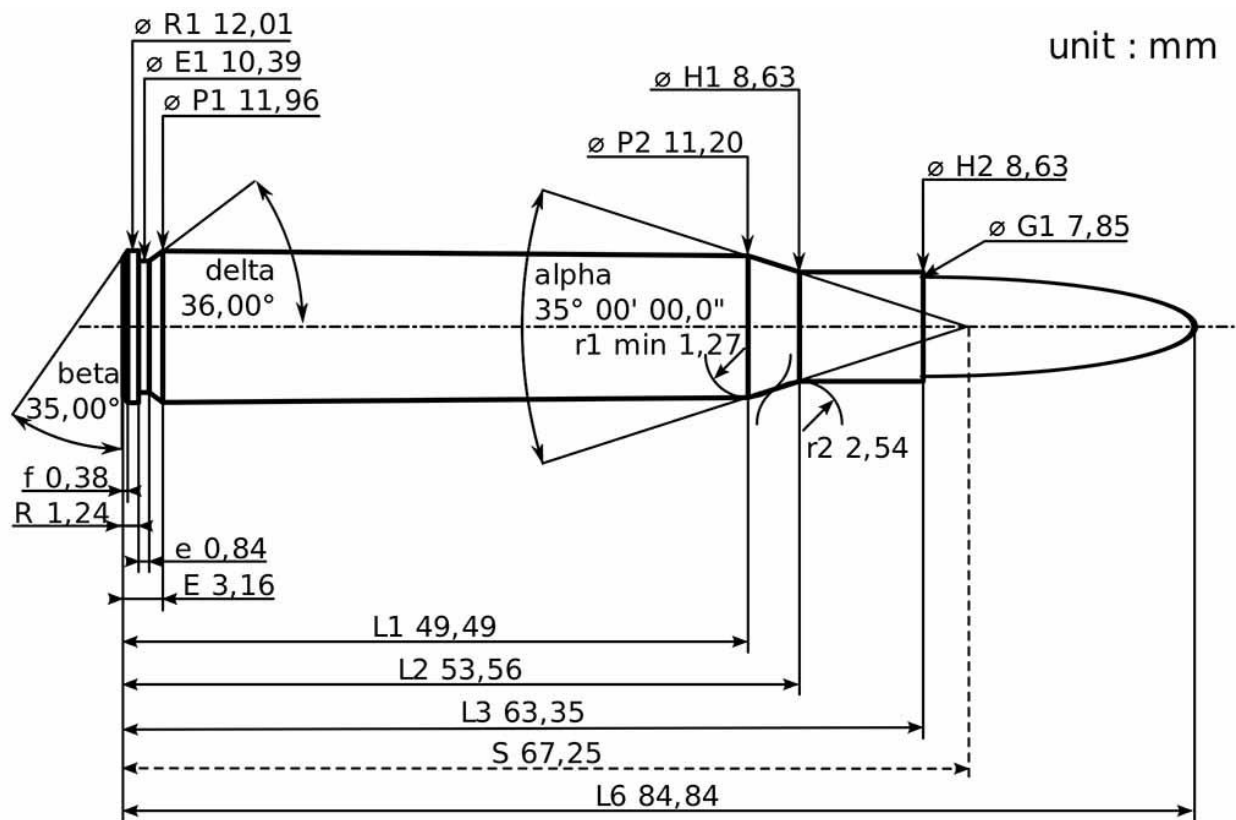


Despite its short run as the military's main rifle, the M14 chambered .308 Winchester did find its way to recent battlefields.

The M14 is essentially an updated Garand, its most notable upgrades being select-fire and removable box magazine. And the 7.62x51mm NATO (commercially known as the .308 Winchester) performance-wise was pretty much the .30-06, shrunken down in a squat cartridge. While the rifle and cartridge proved as potent as their forbearers, particularly when used in a similar fashion—in semi-automatic—their days were number soon after adoption. Among the shortest runs of a service rifle, by the mid-1960 the M14 and 7.62 were replaced by the M16 and the now pervasive 5.56x45mm NATO cartridge.

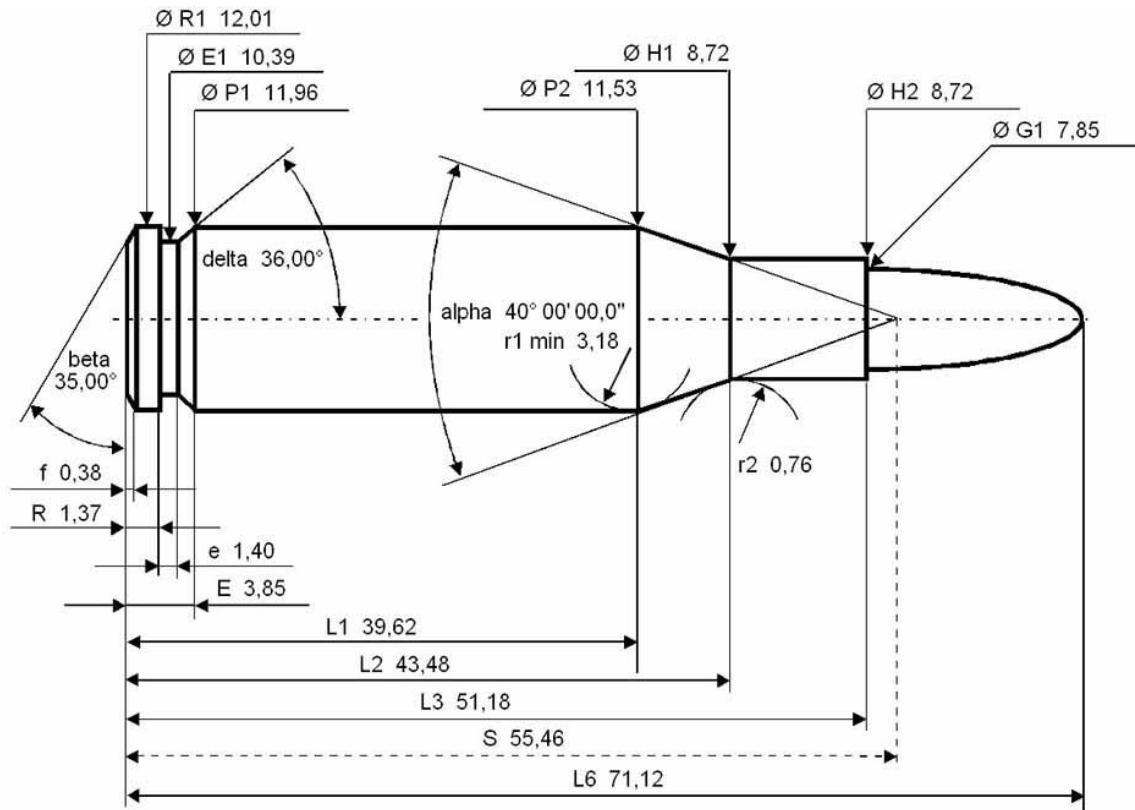
.308 Vs .30-06 Case Size

As mentioned above, the defining feature between the .30-caliber cartridges is case size. The military fretted over the length of the Springfield, mainly for cost and logistical reasons. By their premise, the shorter the cartridge the smaller the action, thus a rifle could be created using less material, saving money and weight. It didn't quite pan out that way—at least with the M14—but that was the theory. Additionally, there were arguments the military could fit more rounds of .308 in ammo boxes, thus get more ammo to soldiers en mass.



.30-06 cartridge dimensions

Indeed, the .30-06 is a longer case, measuring 2.48 inches to the .308's 2.015 inches. While this has some effect on the rifles chambered for them (we'll get to that), it also plays a role in powder capacity. The Springfield has an edge here, holding around 68 grains of water, compared to the .308's 56. In all honesty, it's not a huge dividing line, in most cases equating to a modest gain in velocity, but there are outliers.



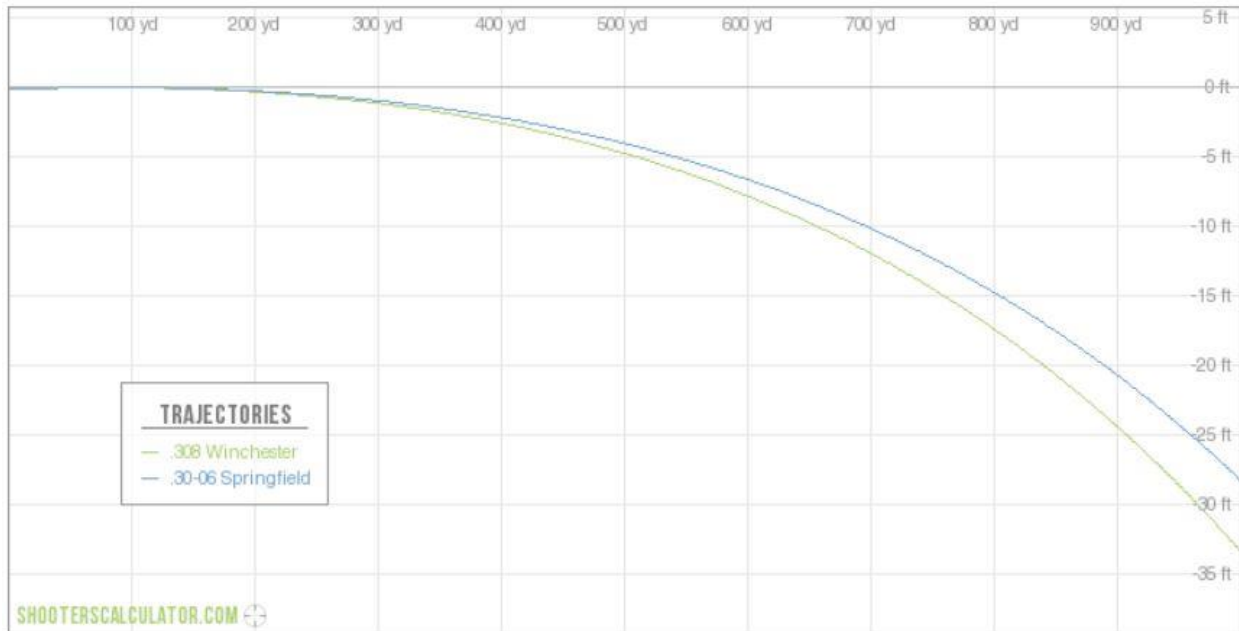
.308 Winchester dimensions

Velocity And Trajectory Of The .30-Calibers

When it comes to factory-loaded ammunition, there generally isn't a clear winner in the .308 vs .30-06 discussion. Certainly, ammo manufacturers take advantage of the .30-06's more spacious case, but in general—with the same bullet weight—this adds up to perhaps 100 to 150 fps improvement on muzzle velocity. Take for instance **Federal Premium** Gold Medal 168-grain loads for both cartridges. The .30-06 edges the .308 by a mere 50 fps at the muzzle—2,700 fps versus 2,650 fps—which is to say, it doesn't edge it at all. Given both are shooting the same 168-grain Sierra MatchKing boattail hollow point, the downrange results should be identical. Fairly commonplace with most off-the-shelf ammo.

At the reloading bench, things turn out a bit differently. At the margins, it's possible to milk more out of a .30-06 when you're hot-rodding it yourself. Potentially, an experienced reloader can push around 200

fps (300 fps when really redlining) more out of the Springfield than the .308 taking full advantage of case capacity. Even at moderately long ranges—500 yards and out—the extra velocity makes a difference flattening the .30-06's trajectory.



150-grain Hornady SST trajectory comparison, .308 vs .30-06.

An example. It's possible to load .30-06 loaded with a 150-grain **Hornady** SST bullet (.415 ballistic coefficient) to 3,000 fps at the muzzle, while the .308 with the same projectile tops out at 2,800 fps. At these velocities, the .308 loses 9-inches more at 500 yards than the .30-06, and 61-inches more at 1,000 yards. Fairly substantial.

Take Aim At .30-Calibers:

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- **6.5 Creedmoor VS .308 Winchester: Which One Wins Out?**
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Weighing In On Bullet Selection

The .30-calibers mirror each other for a vast majority of bullet weights, each capable of slinging projectiles from 100- up to 200-grains. Though, the .30-06 offers a bit more flexibility when it comes to loading heavy-for-caliber bullets. The more spacious case allows it to seat up to 220-grain bullets—dynamite medium-range option on heavier game. There are also some match options at this weight appropriate for the .30-06. But for all bullet styles, 200-grains is essentially the ceiling for .308, with the exception of a few specialty projectiles that creep near 210 grains.

.308 Vs .30-06 Accuracy

This facet of the discussion is tricky business. Starting in the 1960s the .308 Winchester began dominating competitive shooting, dethroning the .30-06 in the precision-driven rifle matches. From this era, **shooters reported** the .308 cutting group size in half, eventually forcing the NRA to shrink the bullseye in high-power rifle matches to avoid ties between .308 shooters. Good proof the squat .30-caliber has more accuracy potential, though why isn't exactly clear. Shooters attribute everything from more efficient case architecture to greater rigidity in from a short action to its aptitude.



So, there you have it, the Winchester is much more accurate. Well, maybe.

Modern-day match shooters have dusted off the .30-06 and come up with some different results. A competitive shooter by the name of German Salazar did a **two-year analysis** of .308 and .30-06 with a matched pair of Gilkes-Action rifles chambered for each cartridge. In a comparison of his competition results, he came up with interesting conclusions. At mid-range, 500 to 600 yards, the .308 had a slight advantage. At long range the .30-06 proved superior. His take on the superior performance of the “aught-six” mirrors our talk above on case capacity. More powder equals more velocity, which counts more down range.

Diehards for either cartridge will unlikely be swayed by these arguments, given the .308 and .30-06 elicit near-religious devotion from some. The rest can find solace both cartridges are

highly accurate, enough so they're capable of hitting 1,000-yards plus with the right rifle and shooter.

Firearms Selection

Among the most popular cartridges of the 20th and 21st centuries, there is no shortage of rifles chambered for the .30-calibers. Nearly every domestic rifle-maker, as well as most foreign, offer both options in a majority of bolt-action they make. The difference comes for shooters in the market for semi-automatic rifles. Boy howdy, the .308 wins out there with some out-and-out classics to choose from.



Given it started life as the 7.62x51 NATO, and was long use by many of the treat members, a multitude of intriguing military rifles were chambered for the cartridge. We enjoy a number of

semi-automatic renditions of these rifles, including AR-10, FN FAL, Heckler & Koch G3, M14 (Springfield Armory M1A) and others. Much more limited, there are .30-06 semi-auto options—M1 Garand, Browning BAR (not the military one) and AR-10. It peters out pretty quickly from there.

Digressing to bolt-actions, don't expect the .308's short action and .30-06's long action to make much difference in the overall size of a rifle. Maybe you'll shave .5-inch opting for the .308 and save 1.5 ounces. Unless a pea under your mattress keeps you awake at night, you aren't going to notice this difference.

Ammunition Choices

Given it has a significant presence in the competitive and hunting worlds, there is perhaps a greater variety of factory-loaded ammo for the .308. And outside of ammunition droughts (ahem, 2020), it's among the most readily available. Then again, so is .30-06. Certainly, Springfield hunting ammo is not difficult to scratch up and is perhaps a bit more impervious to ammo shortages—those tend to hit cartridges with a tactical bent harder. However, if you search around, there is production-line match ammo. Sig Sauer came out with an intriguing load around a year ago topped with a 175-grain MatchKing. So, you do have precision options off the shelf.

Concluding the .308 Vs .30-06 Debate

After all these years, does the .308 vs .30-06 debate makes sense and should it continue? On one hand, no. The average shooter looking for a top-notch hunting cartridge to handle dang near any game in North America or connect at 1,000 yards out will be served well by either .30-caliber. On the other hand, yes, the discussion does matter. Without ticking down the list of each cartridge's advantages and disadvantages, shooters might be blind to the fact the .30-06 offers a bit more reloading versatility or the .308 more options in semi-automatic rifles. These points

are imperative for some people and worth jawing over. So banter on about the .308 vs .30-06. Besides, what else are you going to do at deer camp, except lie?

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Springfield's XDM Elite: Out of the Box Performance

by CLAY MARTIN on OCTOBER 11, 2020



A stunner, right out the box.

This week, I finally got my hands on a long-overdue sample from the all new XDM Elite line up of guns. Released around 10 months ago, these new guns are additions to the best selling XDM family, with some very nice generational upgrades. The Elite series is pretty much everything you would add from the aftermarket to an XDM, configured at the factory, and with a price that won't break the bank.

The XDM series has always been a bit of a dark horse contender, at least in certain circles. It never really caught steam with the LE or Mil market, though I do know a lot of military guys that had them for personal use. Springfield Armory has sold an absolute metric ton of them, don't get me wrong. But you just tended not to see them on the USPSA/ 3 Gun Circuit, or with as big of an aftermarket as the other plastic fantastic of the same era, such as Glock or Smith and Wesson. Which is a shame, because I have found the XDM guns to be remarkably accurate. Not to mention tough as nails. The Elite series is primed to correct this, but first, what happened?



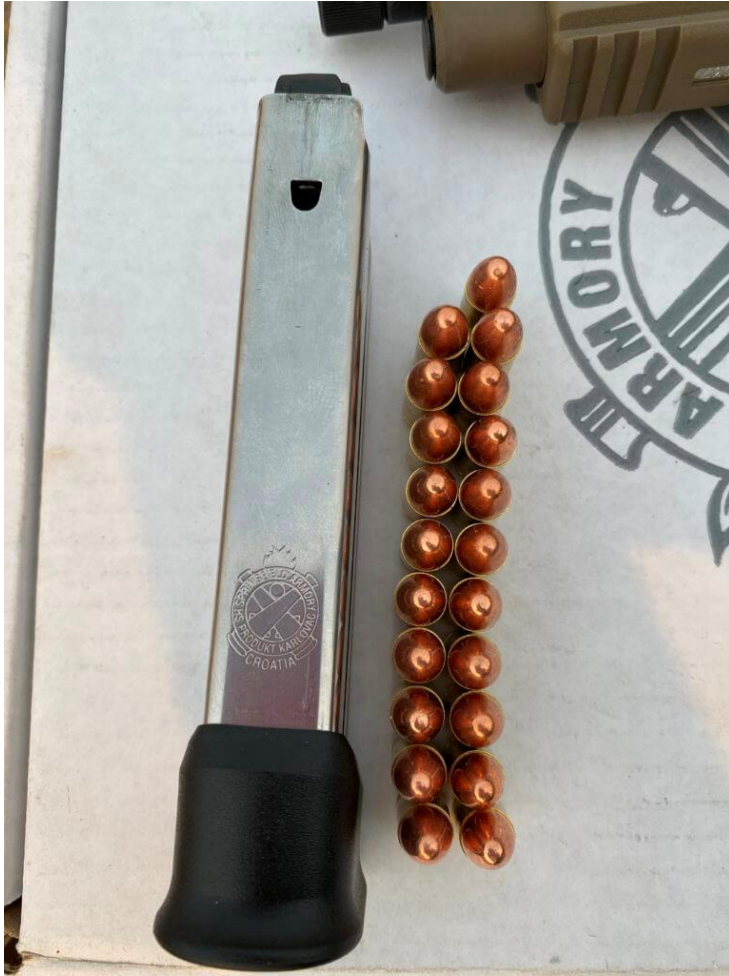
As shipped, range bag inside a plain box.

I blame the initial reception on Springfield Armory's marketing department. They never really pushed the XDM line that hard, or defended it in the public eye. So it became fashionable to clown on the lineup and join the cool kids' table with your Austrian 4x4. The second massive failing was pushing the perception of what is roll stamped on the side, HS Produkt- made in Croatia. (That isn't a typo, its how they spell it.)



5.25 inch model

For some reason, people in the United States think Croatia is some backwater Soviet Bloc nation, with peasant women riding goats to the market to trade beans for vodka or some such nonsense. Which is absurd, because Croatia is as first-world as it gets. The same customers that would get hot and bothered about a Czech CZ-75 treat a Croatian gun like they would a 1977 vintage Lada sedan.



22 round mags

Which is absolutely insane, not least of which because the Soviet Union dissolved 30 years ago. A lot has changed since then, former bloc nations have evolved. And Eastern Europeans in general take their manufacturing very seriously. If you want high-quality strength training equipment, it may very well have a 'made in Bulgaria' stamped on it. World-class gymnastic kit? Romania. Croatia itself lists computers, electrical machinery, and pharmaceuticals among its chief exports. And it's the birthplace of Nikoli Tesla, so maybe show a little respect.



Soft case, with 2 mags and plenty of room for more.

Croatians also have a very good reason to take their weapons industry seriously that has nothing to do with capitalism. They fought their war of independence from 1991 to 1995, in a brutal and ugly conflict with Yugoslavia and Serbia. They managed to win with two brilliant offensives in 95, but the lessons were not lost. You won't see this attribute on the internet anywhere, but legend has it that HS Produkt was founded by men from that war who swore never to be reliant on outside forces for weapons again. If you just finished saving your people from genocide, firearms are not something you are going to shortcut the design.



Accuracy, as demonstrated by the first 20 rounds.

And then we have the "it's just a Croatian pistol imported by Springfield Armory" crowd. Sure, on the original XD line, true. But a lot has evolved since then. The XDM family is still made in the HS Produkt factory, but everything past XD Gen 1 has had serious American input. Springfield Armory has at least one shooter on the roster you may have heard of, Rob Leatham. He won a couple of regional matches or something, serious up an comer. Or SFC Adam Sokowolski of the Army Marksmanship Unit, which managed a 4th place finish in the Presidents 100 match, with an XDM. Those same people don't seem to mind that say, Night Force spotting scopes are made in the Czech Republic. Or that Steyr (Austria) used barrels made in Hungary. Or that Asolo brand "Italian" hiking boots are sewn in Romania. So I guess just stop being racist against Eastern Europeans. It's 2020, I'll call CitiBank and have your account closed.



New extended grip safety

So onto our new Elite line of guns. For this review, I was able to select two samples, though five options are available. We chose the 5.25 inch and the 4.5 OSP variants, as those cover the spectrum pretty well. We will talk about the design changes to the 5.25 inch first, as well as the included changes to common the Elite family of weapons.

5.25 Precision Handgun

Like I said at the beginning, the Elite series is pretty much all the custom add ons you would buy separate, ready to go out of the box. I'm also assuming most of you are at least somewhat familiar with the XDM lineup, as I have reviewed several for Guns America Digest. The first thing you will notice is new, very aggressive front and rear cocking serrations. Not only do they look good, but they will give you grip in the worst of situations. Like frozen wet hands through gloves, or covered in blood. It might even sting if you have princess hands, which I count as a positive.



Rear cocking serrations

Moving down, the Elites also have extended slide release levers, left and right. This is a minor change, but a big deal if you happen to be devil handed. The protrusion is enough to be sure you hit the slide lock, but not so big as to get in your way. The XDM line has always had ambi magazine releases, which stays for the Elite models.



...and fronts

Another positive change is an extended beaver tail safety or grip safety. Some people hate the grip safety of the XDM, but I would say you don't even notice when shooting. The extended model feels equally unnoticeable when shooting, but its greater length does offer two advantages. First, even with an incredibly weak grip, ie one-handed and perhaps injured, it still engages without fail. There is pretty much no way to hold the XDM Elite and not have it engaged. But the second big one is with reloads. To rack the slide on an XDM, the grip safety must be engaged. Rarely, but it has happened, with a normal XDM I have tried to rack the slide in reload grip, the gun turned 90 degrees in my hand, to find the slide wouldn't move. With the new Elite, I cannot replicate this problem.



Monstrous mag well.

Newly built into the bottom of the Elite is an absolutely cavernous magazine well. This is one of the first things I add to a new tactical gun, so I am glad to see it here. This is a big aid to reload speed, as well as usually allows a sloppy reload to seat anyway. And speaking of seating, this gun comes out of the box with big boy magazines. Extended to match the new magwell, XDM Elite magazines hold 22+1 in 9mm.



With new extended mag inserted

And of course, the big change is the new META trigger. META stands for Match Enhanced Trigger assembly, and it is pretty legit. A new flat-faced trigger drives a somewhat incredible trigger pull, with very few peers. I have always been a huge fan of the XDM Custom Shop trigger, which comes out around 2.2 pounds. Don't get too excited, the META trigger doesn't quite match that. I would put it closer to 4, which is still a good duty trigger, and a far better choice than what we see normally in striker fired guns. The only one I can think of that truly equals it is the M&P Custom Shop trigger, which if memory serves is an Apex. Combined with the XDM inherent accuracy, it is hard not to shoot one ragged hole at 10 meters.



Dual recoil spring

OSP 4.5

The second variant we looked at is the 4.5-inch OSP, which is Springfield speak for red dot ready. It features all of the good stuff from above but is cut to accept optics. A separate mounting plate is used for all the major players in optics, and the XDM series has always been on the best with mounting systems. It also comes standard with a threaded barrel, and suppressor heights sights to co-witness with a red dot. Available in FDE, this is one good looking pistol.



Flat face trigger

This is a lot of positive changes, to an already fantastic gun. And just in time. As the very competitive market for handguns changes, those who cannot evolve are left in the dust. The arms race is ongoing, but right now, this one edges into a top spot for me. It is easily comparable to the Sig P320X5, which is my gold standard of handguns in the year 2020. If you are in the market, this one steps it up in a big way.



Threaded barrel with suppressor height front



Rear sight and site plate on OSP model



Extended slide release lever



Everything is better in FDE

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.75 MOA Guarantee from Springfield Armory's All-New Bolt-Action 2020 Waypoint – Review

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Springfield Armory, known for building great semi-auto handguns and “Saint” model AR-15 rifles, has just announced a brand-new bolt-action hunting rifle. Built around their own “2020” action, this made-in-the-USA rifle sports state-of-the-art components and offers a .75 moa accuracy guarantee.



Called the “2020”, Springfield’s new action is patterned after Remington’s model 700 action – historically one of the most accurate bolt actions ever designed.

LOCK, STOCK, AND BARREL

Action: Springfield’s 2020 action is a descendant of the legendary Remington 700 design. Dual locking lugs, a fluted, nitride-coated bolt, EDM raceways, and dual cocking cams make for smooth and reliable cycling. The bolt features a 90-degree bolt lift, offers toolless disassembly for maintenance, and along with the action is machined after heat treatment. The recoil lug is machined integral to the action, which is Cerakoted and comes with a factory-mounted Rem 700 pattern pic rail. The bolt stop/release is located on the left rear of the action, is low profile, and functions crisply. The safety is located just behind the closed bolt handle in typical Rem 700 style. Single-stack AICS pattern magazines snap snugly into the mag well, and an adjustable TriggerTech trigger (best of the best) rounds out the package.



Eye-catching and built right, the Waypoint's stock features hand-laid carbon fiber construction, pillar bedding, and semi-modular design.

Stock: The Waypoint's hand-laid carbon fiber stock is built by AG Composites for Springfield, and is available with either a standard or an adjustable-comb stock. Actions are pillar bedded into the stock, which comes in your choice of custom-painted camo options: Evergreen, or Ridgeline. A one-inch Pachmayr Decelerator pad tames recoil. Five strategically placed QD mounts and three reinforced M-Lok sections enable direct mounting of the sling, bipod, and other accessories.



Chambered for some of the hottest new cartridges available, the Waypoint is a spicy new hunting rifle built to satisfy today's modern shooter.

Barrel: Two barrel configurations are available on the Waypoint; a traditional fluted stainless steel barrel, and a BSF jacketed carbon fiber barrel. This is a new design that features a fluted steel barrel that's jacketed in a roll-wrapped carbon fiber sleeve.

Reportedly, 95-percent of the carbon fiber sleeve doesn't contact the barrel, which, Springfield says, adds cold bore and warm bore repeatability, as well as aiding in heat dispersion. Barrels are free-floated. Available chambering options include 6mm Creedmoor (20", 1:7.5 twist rate), 6.5 Creedmoor (22", 1:8 twist rate), 6.5 PRC (24", 1:8 Twist rate), and .308 Winchester (20", 1:10 twist rate). Barrels are cerakoted Mil-Spec Green or Desert Verde to match the Evergreen and Ridgeline color schemes. A removable radial muzzle brake is standard issue on each rifle.



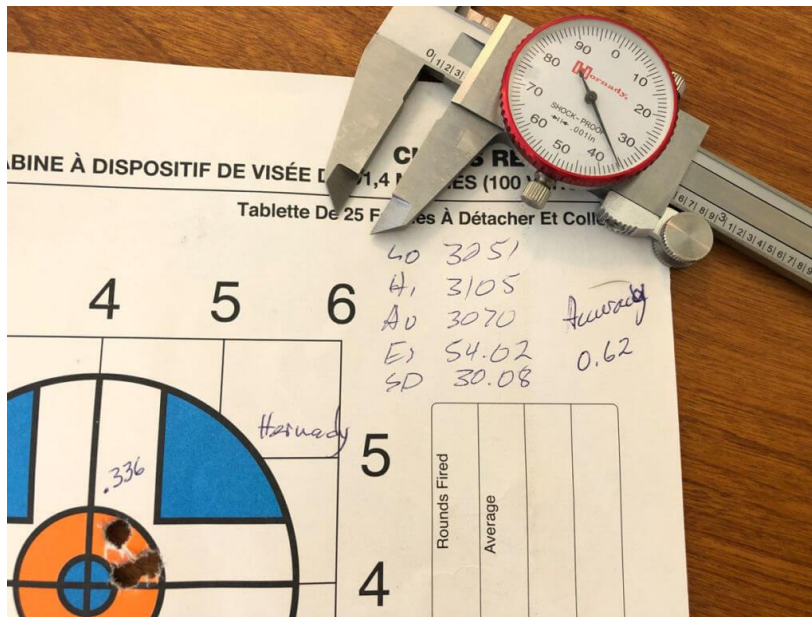
Pricing: The 2020 Waypoint is remarkably well priced, considering the quality of components and the semi-custom nature of the firearm. A simple model sporting a traditional stock and stainless barrel will cost you less than \$1,700, while a Waypoint rifle featuring all the bells and whistles still comes in at less than \$2,400.



The author tested the Waypoint with three brands of ammo. All shot accurately.

TESTING

My first impression of the Springfield 2020 Waypoint was that it is well designed, good looking, and well balanced. It's not a terribly light rifle, coming in at between 6 lb. 9 oz. and 8 lb. 2 oz., but neither is it heavy or cumbersome.



The best test group turned up by the new Springfield measured a tiny 0.33 inches – good enough to inspire a gleeful yelp from the author.

I tested three different loads through the rifle: one long-range target load, one varmint/predator load, and one hunting load. All three shot into less than one MOA, with the varmint load cheerfully printing tiny groups that averaged only .62-inches, ratifying Springfield's .75-moa guarantee with room to spare. The Waypoint handles well, settles nicely into the sandbags, and inspires confidence. Recoil was very mild in the 6mm CM I tested. My 12-year-old son fired a few shots from the rifle as well, shooting at a steel plate some 150-yards distant. He never missed.



Fit and finish on the Waypoint are very nice; camo, carbon, and Cerakote blend well and compliment one another.

I did experience one issue while testing. Three times during the course of firing 30 rounds the rifle failed to eject, dropping the cartridge when it was about 2/3 out of the chamber. I've made Springfield aware of the malfunction, and am confident they will resolve the issue posthaste if it proves to apply to more than my test rifle.



The author's 12-year-old son putting the rifle through its paces. He liked it, too.

CONCLUSION

I truly enjoyed the Springfield 2020 Waypoint. Accuracy was good and the rifle handled and felt great. I would not hesitate to recommend the Waypoint to a friend shopping for a hunting rifle, or to hunt with one myself.



Well-balanced and accurate, Springfield's Waypoint rifle delivers a lot of performance for the price.

Accuracy testing was conducted at 100 yards. Three, 3-shot groups were fired with each ammo brand, the results measured with a caliper, added together, and averaged. Chronograph info was gathered with a Shooting Chrony, placed 10 feet in front of the muzzle.

Manufacture	Bullet	Velocity (FPS)	Accuracy (Inches)
Hornady Varmint	87 Gr. V-Max	3070	0.62
Federal Premium	105 Gr. Berger	2991	0.98
Nosler Trophy Grade	90 Gr. Accubond	3160	0.85

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