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Model: 700



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Dear Dennis:

My 7mm ~~magnum~~ was bought in the mid-seventies. After 3 seasons, the first mishap occurred while unloading. I put the safety in the off position and the gun fired. I blamed myself for being careless. The second time a year later I had the opportunity to shoot a huge buck. Again I pushed the safety off and bang! The gun went off half way to my shoulder. Buck fever after twenty years? I was distraught. When a 7mm magnum goes off when you least expect it to, it is a very frightening experience. Now I still don't have a clue as to why this is happening. I feel as though I'm losing it. The next season I was sighting in my gun on the club's shooting range. There was a cease fire called by the range master. At that moment I had a round in my gun with the safety on. I was changing position on the bench when the cease fire was called so I very gingerly grabbed the back of the stock while the gun was seated on the rest, pushed the safety off to open the bolt and BANG! Now I finally realize something is wrong with the gun. Needless to say the ranger master politely told me where to go. Days later I received a letter from the club terminating my membership.

Several years later I read an article where a guy shot himself in the leg with the same model gun as mine and was suing Remington. I took my gun to a gunsmith shortly after. He didn't find anything wrong. I called Remington and was going to send back the gun but became very disenchanted and lost all interest. To be very honest with you, because of the trauma this gun has given me, I am afraid to even look at it. That is why it has sat locked up in my gun vault all these years.

After you inspect this rifle and come to a conclusion please inform me of your findings. Would you please then do me a last favor and place it in your scrap pile with my blessings. I have no more faith in it so I don't feel anyone else should have it for fear that they may fatally injure themselves or someone else.

Sincerely,

JOSEPH ASSIF

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PS My hunting mate, who incidentally talked me into buying this M700-7mm Magnum, also has a 7mm with stainless steel barrels 1960's vintage. He has shot a million rounds with no problems and the gun is as good today as it was the day he acquired it!

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*Upon receipt the rear safety cam was seized
up from being covered with a known sticky substance.
All 3 adj. screws attached.
Rifle poorly maintained. Display the complete trig cam at
1/2 MSP 10 ahead*

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