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Restricted Parts Policy

The Manager-Quality commented on complaints from the field concerning restrictions on sales of certain repair or replacement firearms fire control parts to customers including gunsmiths. The Manager-Consumer Services commented on the origins of the policy and suggested that it may be appropriate at this time to re-study the matter. He has asked R. L. St. John to review the restrictions on individual parts with Research for a report to the Subcommittee in a month or two.

Instruction Book Availability

The Subcommittee approved warnings relating to use and availability of Instruction Books. These include:

- o Warning on firearms hang tags.
- o Marking on firearms boxes advising that an Instruction Book has been packed in the box.
- Wording on price lists advising that an Instruction Book is packed with each gun, and requesting the dealer to include it with each sale.

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1996 (S. 1997) 1996 (S. 1997) The Subcommittee approved sample warnings concerning the safe handling of firearms, and ordered the placement of these warnings on all Remington shotshell and center fire packaging. These warnings include instructions for unloading firearms in the event of a misfire. Following discussion, it was decided to adopt a 30-second delay for the warning on misfires. Because of the small size of the boxes, decision concerning the inclusion of warnings on rim fire packaging was deferred pending further review.

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