

During December of 1990, the third and final incident occurred. My buddy, Charlie, and I were hunting about a month after the second incident. We were standing side by side. This time we were loading the guns. Charlie also has a Remington Model 700 (270) bought within the same timeframe as mine (1969-70). Once again, a reminder that the safety has to be off to load or unload the gun. As Charlie put his last bullet into the magazine and then took the bolt to put the bullet into the chamber the gun went off. Scaring the hell out of both of us!!!

Both Charlie and I have been hunting for over 20 years with these two rifles. Through all these years, we were very comfortable with these rifles - we trusted them. Sadly, at this point in time, we are very wary and consider these rifles to be unsafe.

For these reasons, I decided to contact Remington. Thinking that perhaps there had been a recall issued on these guns - possibly for defective parts.

We have a third friend who just recently purchased a new Model 700. We noticed that the safety on his gun does not have to be taken off to load or unload the gun. We are now wondering the following:

- (1) Did Remington redesign their safetys because more and more people are having similar accidents with their rifles?
- (2) Can our two rifles be modified to have the same kind of safety that can be left on when loading and unloading?

When I called your 800 number, I spoke with Lenna. She suggested I mail both rifles UPS and C. O. D. back to Remington. She said that Remington would take care of the necessary changes or repairs, that Remington always stands behind it's rifles.

Please feel free to call me at any time if you need or want additional information. I can be reached at home after 6:30 PM at 301-757-4445, or during the day call IBM at 1-800-426-6704 and ask for a message to be radioed to me. Tell them that I am in office 036 and territory 802.

My friend, Charles Young, will be sending his rifle along seperately.

Thank you very much for your kind consideration. I own three other Remington rifles and shotguns and I have always been happy with them.

Sincerely,

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