

Field Test Model 660, caliber .308, #89900
Ammunition #8308 180gr. PSP, lot J120D

Overall appearance is very good, and the design should overcome objections have to the 600 .308. While barrel length and weight were not too important in the smaller calibers, the longer, heavier barrel will probably be more appealing to .308 shooters.

From a bench, recoil was noticeable but not severe. Offhand shooting was not at all bad. No shooting coat was used.

There were some minor faults in this particular rifle (not in the design). The impressed checkering was deeper in places (though there was no visible breaking of the wood fibers); the barrel was noticeably off center in the barrel channel of the stock; the rear sight was not level across the top, it sloped off slightly to the left; and the trigger had two noticeable stages in it.

Function was very good. The feeding was very smooth, even when the cartridges were fed very slowly. Extraction and ejection were good. Cartridges were fed from the magazine under different conditions--pointing the gun towards the ground 10 feet in front of me, pointed up, slammed hard, and eased very slowly into the chamber. Function could not have been better--it was flawless.

Four groups were fired--two of five shots each, two of three shots each:

1st group	5 shots	3V x 3½H	All at 100 yards.
2nd group	5 shots	2V x 1½H	
3rd group	3 shots	1 ¾V x 1H	
4th group	3 shots	1¼V x 2H	

Groups were all fired from sand bags with the use of iron sights only--no scope. Temperature was 110° in the shade and no shooting coat was used--recoil was beginning to get uncomfortable from the bench.

Handling and pointing characteristics were good.

This rifle should have very good acceptance by the public--it looks like a winner.

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