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COMPETITIVE PRODUCT EVALUATION WEATHERBY VANGUARD RIFLE

INTRODUCTION

The Vanguard model is the newest rifle available from Weatherby. It becomes the second center fire bolt action in their line. The Vanguard is competitively priced. List price is \$140 below the older established Weatherby Mark V, and is less than \$15 more than the Remington M/700 BDL Magnum.

A direct part-by-part comparison of this rifle with the M/700 BDL would be redundant. Such data now exist on the M/700. Therefore, emphasis in this appraisal is on the Weatherby. Where applicable, M/700 plant specifications are included for reference, or M/700 measurements are supplied which were taken from a previous competitive comparison-format evaluation.

The specific rifle tested was received, new in the box, by Ilion Research on February 1, 1971. Weatherby Vanguard, serial number 00972, caliber 30-06.

Vanguard rifles are fabricated, assembled, and tested in Japan.

No destructive tests were performed in the course of this investigation. The rifle is still fully operable. As of this date it is available for further examination.

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