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Two Versions of the Highly Popular Model 597™ Autoloader Offered in .17 HMR

Madison, NC – Following on the extremely successful mid-year introduction of the .17 Hornady Magnum Rimfire in the Model 597 LS, Remington is pleased to announce two new versions for 2003 – the **Model 597 Magnum Synthetic** and the **Model 597 Magnum LS HB** (Laminated Stock Heavy Barrel). Now target shooters and small game hunters can shoot the perfect combination of the advanced design of the Model 597 autoloader and the newly introduced Remington® Premier® .17 HMR ammunition.

The family of Model 597 rifles, when introduced in 1997, revolutionized rimfire technology with an innovative bolt guidance system, featuring a unique set of twin tool-steel guide rails. This design results in better stability, feeding reliability and superior accuracy. And for smooth, dependable operation, the bolt, hammer and sear are coated with a Teflon®/nickel plating.

Model 597 Magnum rimfire rifles feature a dual-stacked eight round capacity, die cast metal magazine with a last shot “hold open” design. This newly designed, lightweight Magnesium-based alloy metal magnum magazine clip will also be offered in the Remington accessories line for 2003. The receiver is drilled and tapped for scope mounts and the Model 597 Magnum comes with a Weaver-style scope rail.

The **Model 597 Magnum Synthetic** will prove to be one of the most popular offerings in the Model 597 line. Featuring a sturdy, matte black synthetic stock with swivel studs and 20-inch sporter contour barrel with matte blued finish, this autoloading rimfire is designed for the rigors of high-volume shooting. The clean barrel is button rifled with a twist rate of one turn in 9 inches with six lands and grooves. Suggested retail: \$361.

For the outdoorsman who takes his target shooting seriously or for the devoted varmint hunter, the **Model 597 Magnum LS HB** is the ultimate autoloading rimfire rifle. The clean 20-inch heavy contour, button-rifled barrel (0.825-inch diameter) reduces vibrations and improves accuracy. Twist rate is one turn in 9 inches with six lands and grooves. Satin blued metal finish and the handsome, brown laminate wood stock with swivel studs completes this durable and high performance rimfire. Suggested retail: \$439.