

Heavy Bolt Lift on .300 RSAUM actions - This was a consistent complaint from testers throughout this test. Inspections showed in many cases that breech faces were rough and ejector and firing pin holes were not adequately chamfered or edges broken.

Rib Screws - Rib screws were checked throughout this testing to determine if movement occurred. No screw movement was detected at any of these inspection intervals. It was noted however that screw torque did change (was lower) after live firing after 500 rds. and after some of the thermal tests. In some cases broken o-rings were found. It's not known for sure whether this happened from firing or during the removal process when ribs were taken off barrels to be put on other rifles.

In summary most testing will be complete this week except for high pressure abuse. The vast majority of guns functioned very well from a malfunction standpoint. Some guns did experience malfunctions and in virtually all cases there were assignable reasons why, i.e. wrong parts, parts not meeting specification or assembly issues. Bottom line, malfunctions that occurred with these guns are not specific to the Guide Gun. As stated above the major issue continues to be with the cracking and setback of the recoil lug area of the stock. This issue must be solutioned or formally accepted by Marketing before the Test Lab will support transmittal of this product.

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I will report on results of the trigger tests and the two abuse tests when these are complete. As always if anyone has any questions please feel free to give me or Dale Danner a call.

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