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Remington Extends Safety Modification Program for Certain Pre-1982 Bolt-Action Firearms

MADISON, NC - Remington Arms Company, **Inc.** America's oldest gunmaker, today announced the extension of its nationwide Safety Modification Program for certain Remington bolt-action centerfire firearms manufactured before March 1982, with a feature known as a bolt-lock.

Prior to March 1982, various Remington bolt-action centerfire firearms featured a traditional device know as a "bolt-lock," which was favored by many hunters as a way of preventing accidental lifting of the bolt in the field. The Safety Modification Program offers consumers the opportunity to have this bolt-lock feature removed from certain of these older firearms, allowing the guns to be unloaded while the manual safety is kept in the "on" or "safe" position. No Remington firearms manufactured after March 1982 had this bolt-lock feature, and these more recent models are not affected by the current program.

"We believe extension of this program will help Remington continue its efforts to educate our customers and provide them so additional opportunity to update their older Remington firearms," the company said today. "Even though it has been many years since the bolt-lock feature has been included in Remington bolt-action rifles, we want our customers to enjoy shooting sports safely and we think extension of this program will help them do so."

Included in this program are Remington Model 700, 600, 660, 721, 722, 40-X and certain XP-100 firearms manufactured before March 1982. Customers who participate will be charged \$20 to have their guns cleaned and inspected by a qualified gunsmith and the bolt-lock feature removed. Bach participating customer will also receive a transferable \$20 rebate coupon, good towards the purchase of Remington safety products, such as eye and hearing protection, gun locks and gun safes. The Safety Modification Program has now been extended through December 31, 2003.

The first Remington rifle was manufactured more than 185 years ago, and throughout its long history, Remington has taken great care in designing and manufacturing high-quality firearms and ammunition, and in educating hunters and other sports enthusiasts in the safe use of those products. In this regard, we urge our customers to consult our website at <u>www.remington.com</u> and to contact Remington if they have any questions about the safe use of any Remington product.

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