Why won't the bolt open on my .30-06 when in the Safety position? Also, what \dots

Discussion Thread

Response (Laura)

At 12/05/2001 01:21 PM we wrote Dear Sir,
According to the information provided, your firearm was manufactured approximately 1971. Model 700 rifles manufactured before 1982 (serial numbers that have no prefix, have an "A" prefix, or have a "B" prefix up to B634999), and some other older Remington Fifles (Models 721, 722, 788, 600, and 660 series) were manufactured with a "bolt lock" feature. The purpose of the bolt lock, which was favored by many hunters, was to prevent accidental lifting of the bolt, for example, by heavy brush. This feature requires the manual safety to be placed in the "fire" position before the bolt can be raised and the firearm unloaded. If the bolt cannot be raised on your firearm while the safety is in the "on safe" position, it has the bolt lock feature.

If you have a rifle with a bolt lock, you must take special precautions when unloading your rifle. Remember the first commandment of Firearm Safety: ALWAYS KEEP THE MUZZLE OF YOUR RIFLE POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION! Always unload your rifle in the field: never carry a loaded rifle in a vehicle or to your hunting camp.