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cartridges.) If repeated malfunctions make it impractical to fire the remaining ammunition, stop the test. Cycle the safety from fire to safe every 5 rounds.

- At every 5 round interval verify the firearm is not loaded.
- Close the firearm as if to fire it and put the safety to the SAFE position
- Pull the trigger firmly (10 lb. maximum) firearm must not fire.
- With the finger off the trigger, move the safety to the FIRE position. firearm must not fire.
- Disassemble the firearm over a large white paper and weigh the amount of debris present in the main mechanism

Data Required:

- Record malfunctions.
- · Record number of rounds fired
- Record weight of debris found in the gun.
- Record any firing of the firearm without the trigger being pulled.
- Record any misfires.

TLW0010AM - Static Sand & Dust Test:

This test is the second of two that evaluates the effect of sand and dust on firearm performance, where the test firing is conducted after the firearm has sand and dust directly placed in the action. Thus, an exposure box is not required. For Sand & Dust composition see Table No. 1.

Method:

- Clean and lubricate one test gun to the procedure supplied by the design team
- Remove the bolt. Set the safety in the SAFE position and verify that the firearm is unloaded.
- Record the weight of one level tablespoon of debris mixture.
- Expose the firearm as follows:
- Place the firearm in a shooting jack, bottom of rifle up, and apply a tablespoon of sand in the firecontrol
 mechanism from the bottom. Tap the firearm three times, in the middle of the receiver, to jar the rifle and to
 assist getting sand into the mechanism.

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