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Dear Mr. Walker:

Please accept my thanks for your very complete letter of Jan. 4 concerning my request for information about the new Remington M/40X Center Fire Rifle, Caliber .244 Remington. I am very much interested in this gun and hope I am not imposing on you by asking ~~more~~ questions about it. Would there be any way of lightening this gun (for easier carrying in the field) without affecting accuracy? Are any other options available on the M/40X Center Fire, Caliber .244 Remington besides the choice of 10" or 12" twist of rifling and the choice of Standard Weight and Heavy Weight Barrels (10 or 12 lb. weight rifles)? In other words ~~when~~ putting in an order for this rifle at the standard list price of \$165, does one have any other choice as to equipment supplied, trigger, total weight of gun, etc.?

Does this rifle have or is it available with a stainless steel barrel? If so, at how much additional cost?

Is this rifle available with standard one inch sling swivels (2 swivels), so that the sling may be used as both a carrying sling (for carrying in the field) and a shooting sling (in place of the standard 40X large target swivel on the fore-end)? If so, at how much additional cost?

Could this rifle be ordered with a slightly different spacing between the scope blocks (9 5/8" instead of the 10.6" which is standard)? I should like to use my Balvar 6-24X scope on this rifle and would like the spacing to match that of my other two varmint rifles, so that major adjustment of the scope would not be necessary when switching from one rifle to another. Would there be an extra charge for this and if so how much?

In the description of the 40X it states that the standard trigger pull on this gun is adjustable in $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. clicks. How light a safe (safe for carrying the gun for varmint shooting in the field) pull can be maintained on this rifle, as long as the rifle is carried with the safety on? I am partial to a light pull for varmint shooting.

If one should order this gun through his dealer (my dealer), this dealer would then order the gun through one of the "authorized distributors" listed on your literature sent me about the 40X. Is this the correct procedure?

Thanks again for your help and consideration.

Sincerely,

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