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LAMINATED STOCK EVALUATION H-600

The following investigation was conducted on the M-600 laminated stock and a normal walnut stock. A laminated stock was used on the control sample.

The purpose of the tests that follow is to compare the effects of humidity and temperature on the laminated stock vs. a homogeneous walnut stock with regards mainly to point of impact stability.

Test (1)
Determine accuracy and point of impact of each of 3 guns.

No. 1 gun control gun Laminated Stock 3.76.78
No. 2 gun test sample Laminated Stock 3.76.78
No. 3 gun test sample Walnut Stock 2.76.78

Test (2)
Determine accuracy and point of impact after guns 2 & 3 were stored for 90 hours at 150° F and 95% humidity. Control gun stored in rack at existing conditions in plant.

Test (3)
Determine accuracy and point of impact of guns 2 & 3 after being stored for 168 hours (1 week) at 150°F and 10% humidity. Control gun stored in rack at existing conditions in plant.

The tests are tabulated on attached shiets as is a diagram showing progressive group sizes and points of impact.

LAMINATED STOCK EVALUATION M-600

CONCLUSIONS AND OBSERVATIONS:

- 1. The control gun and the test sample with the laminated stock performed inside of the range of the walnut stock in regards to change in point of impact.
- 2. A larger sampling of curs with both types of stock should be used to give substantial weight to this "better" performance. Indications are, however, from this limited testing, that the laminated type of stock will maintain a more stable point of impact during changes in its external environment.

N/600 - LAMINATED STOCK TEST - 1-12 - 1-28-65

CONDITIONS OF TEST:

- 1. All stocks bedded with epoxy in recoil shoulder slot.
- 2. Front trigger guard screws tightened 60 in.-1b. torque.
- 3. Weight of stocks checked: Equal.
- 4. Both laminated stock fired by hand (inaccuracy device) because of a problem involving accuracy machine. Shot this way complete test.
- 5. Valuat stock had 30 lbs. more air pressure applied to comb because there was no recoil pad on stock.
- 6. Ribs of both guns warped considerably after taking them out of environmental cabinet.
- 7. Metal surfaces of #31116 and # 31250 were coated with grease before putting them in cabinet the first time (Test # 2).
- 8. They were not greased the second time because of high temp (150°F) and low humidity, (10%).
 - 9. Trigger guard plates bulged at bottom in both rifles.

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Measurement & Testing Lab.

MODEL 600 .350 MAG. LAMINATED STOCK TEST - 1/12/65

RIFLES USED

- #1 M/600 .350 Rem. Mag. Serial No. 31233
 Acquired from C.O. Pardee, plant gallery foreman, to be used as control gun (standard production gun at that time).
- #2 M/600 .350 Rem. Mag. Serial No. 31250 Standard production laminated stock
- #3 M/600 .350 Rem. Mag. Serial No. 31116 Stock is modified M/600 35 Rem.

TEST NO. 1

Ammunition used through all tests: Rem 350 Mag 200 gr SPCL #DO9U

- A. Test was conducted in plant gallery using accuracy device.

 Three seater shots were fired before groups were started.

 Three five-shot groups were fired through each gun.
- B. Point of impact was established from shoulder using open sights by L. Evans, production personnel.
- C. All groups were measured center to center and recorded.

THREE FIVE-SHOT GROUPS PER GUN (Center - Center Measurement)

#31116 - Plain Stock Group Size	Spread	
	Horizontal	<u>Vertical</u>
#1 - 3.000	.950	3.000
#2 - 1.800	1.000	1.800
#3 - 3.000	.680	2.950
Total 7.800	2.630	7.750
Avg. 2.600	.870	2.580

TEST NO. 1 Continued

#31250 - Laminated Stock	Sprea	id
Group Size	Horizontal	Vertical
#1 - 3.700	2.850	3.200
#2 - 3.750	1.950	3.250
#3 - 1.850	1.500	1.100
Total 9.300	6.300	7.550
Avg. 3.100	2.100	2.510
#31233 - Control Gun - Lami	nated Stock	
#1 - 4.050	1.680	4.000
#2 - 3.700	1.700	2.300
#3 - <u>1.150</u>	1.000	950
Total 8.900	4.380	7.250
Avg. 2.966	1.460	2.410

Groups shot by machine (Shooter - Earl Palmer)

POINT OF IMPACT (One Five-Shot Group per Rifle)

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#31116 - Plain Stock
Group Size - 1.800
.650 Low )
.200 Left ) Point of impact

#31250 - Laminated Stock
Group Size - 1.000
.600 High )
.320 Left )

#31233 - Control Gun - Laminated Stock
Group Size - 1.800
1.500 High )
.500 Left )
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All three groups shot from shoulder by Lou Evans (with open sights).

<u>TEST NO. 2</u> 1/18/65

After Test No. 1 was completed in the Gallery, guns #2 and #3 were placed in the environmental cabinet:

Temperature 150° F. Humidity 90 - 95% Time in cabinet 90 hours

Guns were immediately taken to the Gallery to repeat Test No. 1. Results follow.

TEST NO. 2 Continued

LAMINATED STOCKS VS. PLAIN STOCKS

ACCURACY All Rifles Shot from Machine

#1 - Plain Stock - #31116 - 3-5 shot groups
Started shooting 10:25 am
Safe extremely hard to put on
Rib warped
Gun fired automatically

#2 - Laminated Stock #31250 - 3-5 shot groups
Started shooting 10:30 am
Safe extremely hard to put on
Rib warped - all openings
Trigger pulled by hand, in machine

#3 - Control Gun - Laminated Stock #31233 - 3-5 shot groups
Gun fired by hand, in machine
Safe - ok
Rib - ok

POINT OF IMPACT One five-shot group through each rifle, from the shoulder. No adjustments made.

from the shoulder. No adjustments Shot by Lou Evans

#1 - 31116 - Shot 10:35 am #2 - 31250 - Shot 10:38 am #3 - 31233 - Control gun

Total time after taken from cabinet - 25 minutes

GROUPS FOR ALL THREE RIFLES Three Five-Shot Groups per Gun

#31116 - Plain Stock Group Size	Spread	
	Horizontal	Vertical
#1 - 2.000	1.950	1.720
#2 - 2.700	1.720	2.450
#3 - <u>5.100</u>	2.450	5.000
Total 9.800	6.120	9.170
Avg. 3.266	2.040	3.050

TEST NO. 2 Continued

#31250 - Laminated Stock	tock Spread	
Group Size	Horizontal	Vertical
#1 - 2.000	1.950	1.600
#2 - 3.600	3.450	1.600
#3 - <u>1.800</u>	<u>1.500</u>	1.250
Total 7.400	6.900	4.450
Avg. 2.466	2.300	1.480
#31233 - Control Gun - Lami	nated Stock	
#1 - 3.800	1.500	3.600
#2 - 3.400	.600	3.300
#3 - <u>2.250</u>	<u>2.250</u>	2.250
Total 9.450	4.350	9.150
Avg. 3.150	1.450	3.050

Shot from machine (Shooter - Earl Palmer)

POINT OF IMPACT Five Shots per Group

All groups shot from the shoulder by Lou Evans

TEST NO. 3 1/25/65

After completing Test No. 2 guns #31116 and #31250 were put in the environmental cabinet again:

Time in cabinet Monday, 1/18/65 to Monday, 1/25/65 Temperature 150° Humidity 10%

Guns were then taken to Gallery to repeat Test No. 2.

Results were as follows:

GROUPS FOR ALL THREE RIFLES Three Five-Shot Groups per Gun

#31116 - Plain Stock	Spr	ead		
Group Size	Horizontal	Vertical ·		
#1 - 2.360	.580	2.360		
#2 - 3.150	. 250	3.100		
#3 - 3.420	1.540	3.170		
Total 8.930	2.370	8.630		
Avg. 2.970	.790	2.870		
#31250 - Laminated Stock				
#1 - 1.650	. 950	1.650		
#2 - 1.900	1.600	1.600		
#3 - 2.200	1.100	2.050		
Total 5.750	3.650	5.300		
Avg. 1.910	1.210	1.760		
#31233 - Control Gun - Laminated Stock				
#1 - 2.100	2.050	1.400		
#2 - 1.850	1.750	.800		
#3 - <u>1.400</u>	1.000	1.200		
Total 5.350	4.800	3.400		
Avg. 1.780	1.600	1.130		
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Groups shot from machine (Shooter - Lou Evans)