

"Most people with a bolt action gun put a scope on it anyway, so it really doesn't matter."

Bolt Handle Contour and Styling

Model V, which is straight, not dog-legged, with a knurled knob is the clear favorite among all areas and both lever and bolt action users. Respondents prefer the large, completely rounded, knurled ball because of its feel:

"I like V. It is swept back just a little bit and it has a nice big round knob on it and it is also checkered - which gives you a little bit of a grip."

Model T, which is straight like V but has a flat bolt handle is highly disliked across the board:

"Terrible - you can't get a hold of it."

Bolt Body Blueing

This feature is almost unanimously rejected (96%), for the reason that it will not last:

"It doesn't matter. It won't stay blue."

"I prefer a polished bolt body because the blueing will rub off."

Bolt Body Jeweling

Jeweling is preferred by a three to one margin, but probably would not support much of a price increment, if any. Cost reactions are mixed, with some men stating it should be standard on the gun, but a few others perhaps willing to