

(742) Improvements vs. Current 740

Benefits and Improvements

12. Eliminate Gas Nozzle Damage.

- a. Redimension nose of gas nozzle.

Reduces damage to nozzle in assembly and disassembly causing restriction of gas leading to underpowered gun.

13. Reduced Rear Sight Leaf Breakages.

- a. Redesigned leaf, collar and screw for added strength.

Improve upon current experience in premature breakage of rear sight leaf.

14. Reduced Firing Pin Retractor Spring Breakage.

- a. New design spring.
- b. Firing pin modification.

Current M/740 springs are very short lived, some breaking at less than 300 rounds. New spring should improve this failure.

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15. Improved Safety Design

- a. Redesign safety.
- b. Redesign safety detent spring.

This modification makes it easier to operate our current safety button. Should eliminate some of the criticism of our current design.

16. Improve Hold Down of Rear Sight Base.

- a. Addition of Nylon 66 type of nylon washer under hold down screws.

Current design loosens after some 200 to 300 rounds of shooting. Addition of nylon washers have eliminated the loosening condition.

17. Firing Pin Interference in Rear of Receiver.

- a. Added tapered shoulder in receiver to clear firing pin.

Resulting in failures to eject live rounds, probable cause for erratic ejection. This improvement reduces the above malfunctions.

18. Improved Magazine Box.

- a. Redimension box lips.
- b. Improved gaging techniques at assembly to control critical dimensions.

Testing has indicated current magazine box life expectancy is some 800 rounds before causing excessive gun malfunctions. The proposed improvements indicate additional life can be expected from our current design boxes.