

SHOTGUNS - contd.MODEL 1100X AUTOLOADING SHOTGUN - contd.

An expected feature of the spring gas lock system was the capability of handling all loads. Marketing should determine if this feature is important enough to outweigh the penalties of cost, weight and Fore-end size.

Marketing believes there should be only one style gas system. There was little interest expressed in the 2-shot gun and interchangeable gauges. Priority is for the 5-shot gun.

The 3-shot gun eliminates interchangeable gauges and is not universally acceptable for hunting.

R & D was requested to provide to Marketing a list of all the options available.

It was noted that current thinking is that Model 1100X will be an additional gun, not a replacement for Model 1100.

R & D and Marketing reported what is known about the new Winchester autoloading shotgun:

- . Gas is taken off sooner than on Model 1100. Will be 3-shot gun unless Magazine Tube extends past Fore-end.
- . Weight is close to Model 1100.
- . Symmetrical lockup but not rotary Bolt.
- . Steel Receiver.
- . 50,000 round durability.
- . Increased selling price - promotion will be that machined parts are the reason for increased price.
- . The new gun is not a version of the Winchester Model 1400.