

6mm 80 GRAIN HPPL HIGH PRESSURE - IMR 7514 LOT NO. 112

Twenty customer complaints have been received to date involving 6mm Rem. 80 grain cartridges loaded with IMR 7514 lot no. 112. The complaints involve either cartridge or gun damage caused by high pressures, due to the powder having grown (able to generate higher pressures than when originally loaded).

While the cartridge in question was loaded within specifications during November and December 1981, tests of returned product indicate the existence of occasional high pressure rounds, the highest reaching 724 CUPS. However, even the highest pressure cartridge tested was well under the high end of the SAAMI proof load range (759 CUPS).

Nevertheless, the Committee recommended the recall of the IMR 7514 lot no. 112 product in question because within the sizable number of complaints received, some gun damage has occurred. The Committee also recommended that at the same time all 6mm 80 grain cartridges loaded with HRP 80 should be recalled. These cartridges have experienced similar, but to date, less serious powder pressure growth.

(Secretary's note: Subsequent to this meeting, the Executive Vice President and General Manager approved these recommendations.)

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