

The locking bolt is held in by a little pin. Take the firing pin out first. The locking bolt rarely breaks.

Headspacing on the 870 is controlled at the bolt face, extractor, and barrel. You can get SETBACK in the barrel-the cut gets bigger and this makes too much headspace. You can use the oversized locking bolt to fix this sometimes (bring it back to specs.) If this doesn't work then the consumer must buy a new barrel.

The barrel guide is on top of the barrel.

The trigger plate pins-there are two (front smaller, rear bigger)

A consumer can buy almost any part of this gun.

The sequence goes:

Carrier

Carrier dog (activates the bolt and then dog lifts carrier)

Carrier dog spring (this and the carrier dog plunger help activate the carrier dog)

Carrier dog plunger " " " " " " " "

Carrier pivot tube (carrier pivots on this-front trigger plate screw goes on this)

Carrier pivot tube detent spring

Hammer pin

Hammer pin (slides in hammer pivot pin)-this is pinged in

Hammer pin washer

Disconnecter (is also held on by the hammer pin

Action bar lock (makes disconnecter move up)

Action bar lock spring

Sear

Sear spring

Hammer spring

Hammer spring plunger

Safety

Trigger pivot pin

The cut in the follower is for: along with the physical shape and cuts in the slide are called the FLEXIE TAB SYSTEM.

The FLEXIE TAB SYSTEM-this allows you to when reloading if you don't push shell all the way up-shell is stuck-the flexie tab system allows you to keep cycling gun and keep putting new shells in the gun and keep shooting. It allows the gun to cycle over that stuck shell.

Every 878 has the flexie tab system.

To change an old gun to the new flexi tab assembly you must buy a new slide, new fore end tube assembly, and carrier assembly. There is a flexie tab assembly but is restricted to police only and it is for the longer extension (22 inches long) only.