

rounds are staggered correctly this does not happen. This was seen to some extent in .30-06/.270 testing.

* Extractors are loosing tension which results in extraction/ejection issues at the 1,000 rd. level. This occurred on both guns that were tested to these round levels.

* Magazine box deformation at the top front and bottom front have occurred. This is from impacting of the rounds in the magazine during recoil. Deformation eventually results in magazine boxes that are difficult to insert or remove from the gun. This was seen during .30-06/.270 testing and is no worse than what was seen there.

* Bolt Stop deformation has occurred to a point where consistent bolt stop performance has been effected on some guns. This again has been seen in previous 710 testing.

Let me make a few general comments. No issues have been seen with the heat treated barrels so this appears to be a viable solution. Overall function has also been very good until extractor set occurred. Accuracy also seemed to be more than acceptable. The issues noted above are not show stopper ones. Not that they shouldn't be addressed or improved on if possible. Most of the planned DAT activity should be complete by the end of next week except Extended Endurance. We were not able to test a full compliment of guns for this DAT since "B-Series" guns were not tested. Due to the reduced sample size , 15 versus the usual 30, we ought to discuss a path forward to resolve those issues noted. This may involve a second DAT. Another option could be to accept the risk and head directly to T&P.

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