Why will the bolt only cycle in fire postion? Should it be able to cycle in s...

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Response (Chris) 10/18/2001 4:04:47 PM At 10/18/2001 04:01 PM we wrote -

Dear Ms. Gaddy,
Thank you for contacting Remington Country. Your Model 700 was
manufactured in 1981. Model 700 rifles manufactured before 1982, and some
other older Remington rifles (Models 721, 722, 788, 600, and 660 series)
were manufactured with a "bolt lock" feature. The purpose of the bolt
lock, which was favored by many hunters, was to prevent accidental lifting
of the bolt, for example, by heavy brush. This feature requires the manual
safety to be placed in the "fire" position before the bolt can be raised
and the firearm unloaded.

If you have a rifle with a bolt lock, you must take special precautions when unloading your rifle. Remember the first Commandment of Firearm Safety: ALWAYS KEEP THE MUZZLE OF YOUR RIFLE POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION! Always unload your rifle in the field: never carry a loaded rifle in a vehicle or to your hunting camp.