WRUGER AMERICAN RIMFIRE IN .22 WMRF PRODUCT SAFETY WARNING AND .17 HMR AND RECALL NOTICE

WHY ARE YOU RECALLING THESE RIFLES

We have determined that Ruger American Rimfire® rifles chambered in .22 WMRF (Magnum) and .17 HMR manufactured between November 17, 2013 and January 8, 2014 were manufactured without a vent hole. This hole appears just below and behind the serial number on the left-hand side of the receiver. The hole does not serve any function during normal operation of the rifle, but is a safety feature and may help vent gas in the event of a problem such as a ruptured case head or bore obstruction, for example. Although we have not had any reported incidents involving the rifle and it is perfectly safe during normal operation, we have recalled the rifles to add the vent hole for added safety.

HOW TO DETERMINE IF YOUR RIFLE NEEDS THE RETROFIT

Only Ruger American Rimfire® rifles chambered in .22 WMRF (Magnum) and .17 HMR within the serial number range 830-34831 to 830-43880 are subject to the recall. If **your rifle is chambered in .22 LR or falls outside of this serial number range, it is not subject to the recall.** If you have a Ruger American Rimfire® rifle chambered in .22 WMRF (Magnum) or .17 HMR, you need only examine the left side of the receiver, just below and behind the serial number. If there is a hole there (Figure 1), then you do not need to return the rifle. If there is no hole (Figure 2), then the rifle should be returned.



Figure 1: Hole present, rifle NOT recalled

Figure 2: Hole absent, rifle recalled

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NEXT STEPS

Step 1 - Contact us via email at recall@ruger.com or phone at 603-865-3100 and provide your name, address, the serial number of your rifle, your telephone number and the best time to call.

Step 2 - We will verify that your rifle is subject to the recall and will send you a packing container, detailed instructions and shipping label so you can send your rifle to us FREE of charge.

Step 3 - We will retrofit your rifle and will return it to you FREE of charge.

Thank you, Sturm, Ruger & Co., Inc.

> We recognize that this is an inconvenience so, as a thank you, we will include an extra magazine at no charge to you when we return the rifle. For Connecticut residents (only), we will send you a ShopRuger.com gift certificate in lieu of the magazine.