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OWNER SAFETY MANUAL

- OA 2311
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⚠ WARNING

Read this manual carefully before loading or handling your OA 2311 pistol. You must consider your pistol to be loaded and ready to fire until you have **removed** the magazine and visually and physically (with your finger) confirmed that the chamber is empty





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1. SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Read this manual and the warnings contained in it before loading or using your OA 2311 pistol. This manual explains the function and the handling of your OA 2311 pistol and warns of the potential dangers, including death and serious personal injury, that can result from the unsafe use of your OA 2311 pistol. This manual should always accompany your OA 2311 pistol and be transferred with it if it is sold or loaned to another person.

Even if you are an experienced shooter, you must **READ THIS ENTIRE MANUAL CAREFULLY** before loading or firing your OA 2311 pistol. This manual gives basic instructions on the proper handling and functioning of your OA 2311 pistol. Your safety and the safety of others depends on you following the instructions and warnings in this manual and the constant use of safe firearms practices. If you are unfamiliar with firearms, take a course in the safe handling of firearms run by a qualified firearms instructor, your local gun club, or a similar qualified organization.

This manual contains several safety warnings and instructions preceded with three types of signal words designed to draw your attention to important safety information:



Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious personal injury.



Indicates a hazardous situation, which, if not avoided, could result in moderate or minor personal injury.



Indicates a hazardous situation, which, if not avoided, could result in property damage.

⚠ WARNING

Failure to follow the safety information and safety instructions in this manual could result in death, serious personal injury, and/or property damage.

⚠ WARNING

Always seek a doctor's advice if you are taking medication to be sure that you are able to shoot and handle a firearm safely. Never drink alcoholic beverages or take drugs before or while shooting. Your vision, balance, coordination, and judgment could be seriously impaired, making your firearm handling unsafe.

⚠ WARNING

If your OA 2311 pistol or any other firearm is carelessly or improperly handled, you could cause a negligent discharge, which could result in death, serious personal injury, and/or property damage.

⚠ WARNING

Always handle your OA 2311 pistol as if it is loaded so that you never fire negligently.

⚠ WARNING

Always make sure your OA 2311 pistol is unloaded and that the slide is locked open in the rearward position with the magazine taken out before handing it to another person.

⚠ WARNING

Always keep your OA 2311 pistol pointed in a safe direction. A safe direction is one in which no one can be injured in the event the pistol fires. Never point the pistol (whether loaded or unloaded) at yourself or anyone else. In selecting a safe direction, you must consider that a bullet can ricochet or glance off any object it strikes (including even the surface of water), that it can penetrate walls, ceilings, floors and windows, and that bullets can travel several miles.

⚠ WARNING

Never pull the trigger or put your finger on the trigger or in the trigger guard until you have made the decision to fire.

⚠ WARNING

Never take anyone's word that a firearm is safely unloaded. Always check for yourself, with the firearm pointed in a safe direction and your finger off the trigger and outside of the trigger guard.

⚠ WARNING

Never alter or modify your OA 2311 pistol because this could cause it to malfunction and create a dangerous condition. Make sure any accessories you install are compatible with your OA 2311 pistol and do not interfere with its safe operation.

WARNING

If your OA 2311 pistol is dropped or forcefully struck, it could be damaged and may not function properly. Have it inspected by a qualified gunsmith, or OA Defense, LLC, before continuing to use it.

WARNING

Never handle your OA 2311 pistol with a cartridge loaded in the chamber until you are ready to fire it.

WARNING

Always store and transport your OA 2311 pistol unloaded and locked in a suitable container, out of the reach and sight of children or other unauthorized persons.

WARNING

Never store or transport ammunition in the same container as your OA 2311 pistol.

WARNING

Never attempt to load your OA 2311 pistol with any caliber of ammunition other than what is specified and marked on the pistol.

WARNING

Most ammunition contains lead in the projectile and/or primer. Lead is a toxic (poisonous) substance, exposure to which can cause death, serious personal injury, birth defects in infants, and other ailments. Firing your OA 2311 pistol in a poorly ventilated area can lead to exposure to lead. Always wash your hands and face after handling ammunition, firing your OA 2311 pistol, and/or performing preventive maintenance on your OA 2311 pistol to minimize your exposure to lead.

Before it left the factory, your OA 2311 pistol was tested, carefully inspected, and packaged. OA Defense, LLC cannot control what happens to the pistol after it leaves the factory, therefore, carefully examine your OA 2311 pistol when you acquire it to ensure that it is unloaded and undamaged.

If you do not understand the warnings and instructions in this manual, or have any issues with operating your OA 2311 pistol, contact OA Defense, LLC's customer service/warranty department at 910-975-7316.

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2. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

2.1 PRODUCT FEATURES

The OA 2311 is a hammer fired semi-automatic pistol with a single-action-only (SAO) trigger design chambered in 9x19mm caliber. The recoil-operated pistol fires one round with each actuation of the trigger. The recoil impulse cycles the action to cock the hammer and reload the chamber, allowing the pistol to be fired again until the magazine is empty.

The OA 2311 ships with an open post aiming system (commonly referred to as “iron sights”) pre-installed. Removing the rear sight cover plate will allow an optical aiming system such as an electronic red dot sight to be installed. OA Defense recommends having a certified gunsmith perform all modifications or reconfiguration of the OA 2311 pistol.

IMPORTANT NOTE: All optics need to be zeroed prior to use. Please follow the optic manufacturer’s instructions for obtaining a proper zero.

The OA 2311 features ambidextrous controls including dual-sided slide lock levers and thumb safeties as well as a reversible magazine release button which can be configured for left-handed users. (Please refer to section 5.4 for instructions on reversing the magazine release.)

The OA 2311 is equipped with an ambidextrous thumb safety which should be engaged at all times when the hammer is cocked. This safety locks the slide in the closed position and helps to prevent the sear from releasing the hammer and striking the firing pin. It should not be disengaged until the pistol is safely aimed at its intended target and the user is ready to fire. Please note that the thumb safety is only able to be engaged once the hammer is in the cocked position.

 WARNING

Although your OA 2311 pistol has internal design features and mechanical safeties designed to prevent an unintentional discharge if it is dropped or hit, the proper and safe function of your OA 2311 pistol depends on it being used for its intended purposes and not being altered or modified. Like any other mechanical device, if your OA 2311 pistol is subjected to unusual and extreme forces, a part failure can occur. Therefore, safe firearm handling practices and the instructions and safety warnings in this manual must always be followed to minimize the risk of a negligent discharge.

 WARNING

If your OA 2311 pistol's safeties prove to be ineffective for any reason, the possibility of a negligent discharge exists. In this case, your OA 2311 pistol should be immediately unloaded and not be used again until it has been examined by a qualified gunsmith or OA Defense, LLC.

2.1 PRODUCT FEATURES (CONT'D)

The OA 2311 utilizes a SIG® P320 magazine pattern which allows for the use of a wide range of OEM and third-party magazines. To ensure optimal performance, OA Defense recommends using only genuine OA Defense magazines, Magpul AMAG® magazines, or P320 magazines manufactured by Sig Sauer®.

The modular grip and magwell design of the fullsize OA 2311 and the OA 2311 Compact allows for optional configuration of the pistol to natively accept either a 15-round magazine for concealed carry (Compact magwell) or a 17-round magazine for recreation or duty use (fullsize magwell). Additional magwell extensions may be purchased by contacting OA Defense or an authorized OA Defense Dealer. (Please refer to section 5.3 for instructions on changing the magwell extension.)

The OA 2311 features a linkless barrel design that provides increased performance and reduced cycle times when compared to a traditional 1911 barrel design. This system also allows for a more user-friendly takedown procedure for fieldstripping and maintenance. (Please refer to section 4.1 for instructions on field-stripping and maintenance.)

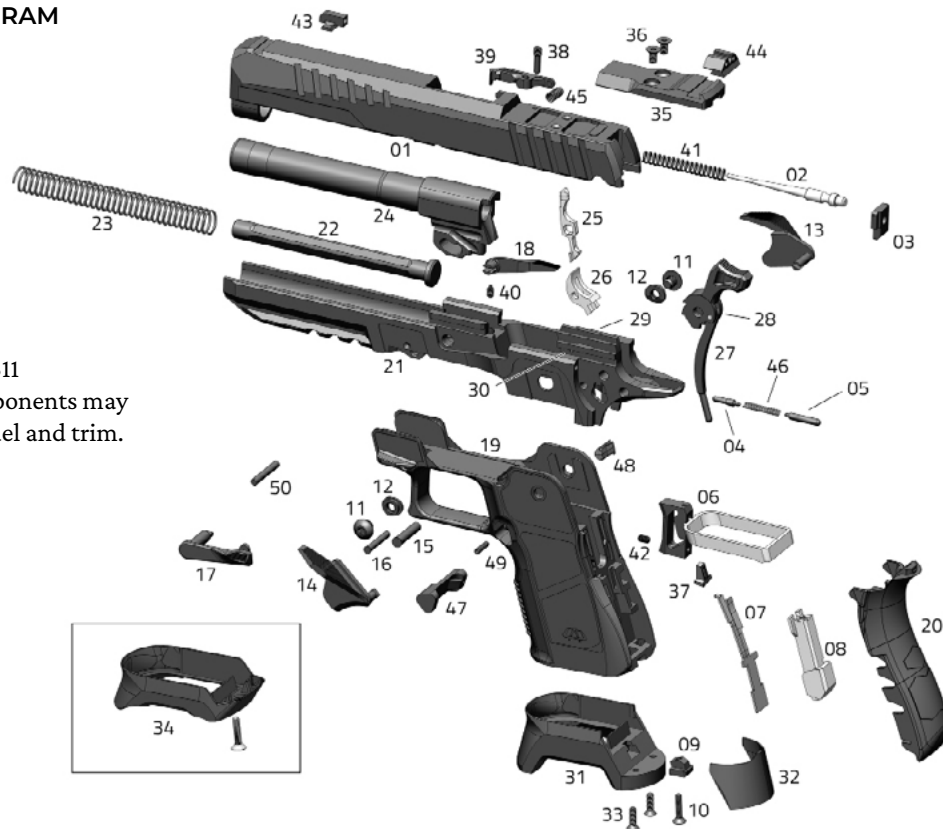
The frame of the OA 2311 features an integrated MIL-STD-1913 (Picatinny) rail for the mounting of optional lights, lasers, and other accessories.

The OA 2311 utilizes a patent-pending system of Debris Clearance Channels to enhance reliability and help reduce malfunctions when being used in austere environments. This system does not, however, eliminate the need for proper cleaning and maintenance. (Please refer to section 4.2 for instructions on proper cleaning procedures.)

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2.2 PARTS DIAGRAM



PICTURED: OA 2311

NOTE: Some components may vary based on model and trim.

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|-----|--------------------------------|-----|--|
| 01. | Slide | 26. | Sear |
| 02. | Firing Pin | 27. | Hammer & Strut Assembly |
| 03. | Firing Pin Retainer Plate | 28. | Hammer Strut Pin |
| 04. | Slide Stop Plunger | 29. | Ejector |
| 05. | Safety Catch Plunger | 30. | Ejector Pin |
| 06. | Trigger Assembly | 31. | Fullsize Magwell Extension |
| 07. | Trigger & Sear Spring | 32. | Fullsize Magwell Retainer Plate |
| 08. | Main Spring Housing Assembly | 33. | Fullsize Magwell Screws (x2) |
| 09. | Magwell Extension Hanger | 34. | Compact Magwell Extension (optional) |
| 10. | Magwell Extension Hanger Screw | 35. | Iron Sight Cover Plate |
| 11. | Grip Screw | 36. | Iron Sight Cover Plate Screws (x2) |
| 12. | Grip Screw Bushing Nut | 37. | Magazine Catch Retainer Plate |
| 13. | Safety Catch - Right | 38. | Extractor Pin |
| 14. | Safety Catch - Left | 39. | Extractor |
| 15. | Hammer Pin | 40. | Slide Stop Set Screw |
| 16. | Disconnecter Pin | 41. | Firing Pin Spring |
| 17. | Slide Stop - Left | 42. | Trigger Travel Set Screw |
| 18. | Slide Stop - Right | 43. | Front Sight |
| 19. | Polymer Grip Module | 44. | Rear Sight |
| 20. | Polymer Backstrap | 45. | Extractor Spring |
| 21. | Frame | 46. | Slide Stop / Safety Catch Plunger Spring |
| 22. | Recoil Spring Guide Rod | 47. | Magazine Release |
| 23. | Recoil Spring | 48. | Magazine Release Retainer Clip |
| 24. | Barrel | 49. | Magazine Release Spring |
| 25. | Disconnecter | 50. | Grip Retention Pin |

2.3 MAGAZINE RELEASE

The magazine release button is located on the left side of the OA 2311 near where the trigger guard meets the grip. The magazine release can be reversed to better suit left-handed users. (Please refer to section 5.4 for instructions on reversing the magazine release.)

To remove the magazine, grip the pistol with your finger off the trigger and outside of the trigger guard. Press the magazine release button and pull the magazine out from the bottom of the grip as shown in Figure 12a.



Figure 12a

2.4 SLIDE STOP

The OA 2311 features an ambidextrous slide stop which can be operated from either side of the pistol.

LOCKING THE SLIDE OPEN

To lock the slide open, grip the pistol with your finger off the trigger and outside of the trigger guard and retract the slide using your non-grip hand (Figure 12b, Step 1). Apply upward pressure to the slide stop with your grip-hand thumb (Figure 12b, Step 2) until the slide stop clicks into the indentations on the slide. Allow the slide to slowly move forward until it catches on the raised slide stop. Release your grip on the slide only after positive retention has been confirmed.



Figure 12b

RELEASING THE SLIDE

To release the slide from the locked-open position while the chamber is empty, grip the rear of the slide with your non-grip hand and allow the slide stop to fall into the downward position. Maintain your grip on the slide and allow it to close slowly.

NOTICE

Depressing the slide stop lever to allow the slide to close under full spring tension on an empty chamber can cause premature wear on internal components of the pistol. OA Defense, LLC strongly recommends against “dropping the slide” on an empty chamber. Using this method to intentionally chamber a round under firing conditions will not cause wear and is a permissible method of loading the pistol. (See section 3.2)

2.5 MAGAZINE

OA 2311 ship with genuine OA Defense or Magpul® AMAG magazines, available in 10-round, 15-round, 17-round, and 21-round (140mm) capacity options. The OA 2311 is also compatible with most P320 pattern magazines manufactured by Sig Sauer, Inc.



3. OPERATING THE PISTOL

3.1 LOADING THE MAGAZINE

⚠ WARNING

Use of improper ammunition could cause death, serious personal injury, and/or property damage. Only use high quality commercially manufactured ammunition that meets SAAMI, CIP or NATO standards.

⚠ WARNING

Do not use reloaded, remanufactured, and/or handloaded ammunition because it may not meet applicable SAAMI, CIP or NATO standards and could cause

⚠ WARNING

Do not use cartridges that are old, dirty, wet, corroded, damaged, dented, deformed, show signs of wear such as split or cracked necks, cratered or flattened primers, or punctured cases because they can create excessive pressures resulting in an explosion and cause death, serious personal injury, and/or property damage.

⚠ WARNING

If you have not fired your OA 2311 pistol since last cleaning it, wipe the bore and chamber clean to remove any excess oil or preservative using a clean swab, bore snake, or patch before loading it. Oil or preservative will interfere with the friction between the cartridge case and chamber wall that is necessary for safe functioning and subjects the firearm to stresses like those created by a cartridge with excessive pressure.

⚠ WARNING

Before using your OA 2311 pistol after a period of extended storage, be sure to clean it pursuant to the instructions in Section

To load your OA 2311 magazine, grip the magazine body firmly in one hand and grip the first cartridge between your thumb and forefinger with the other hand. Press the rear of the cartridge down on the front of the magazine follower (Figure 15a, Step 1) and then slide it back towards the rear of the magazine, underneath the feed lips (Figure 15a, Step 2).



Figure 15a

Once the first cartridge is properly seated, grip the next cartridge and use it to press down on the top of the previous cartridge until it depresses into the magazine (Figure 15b, Step 1). Then slide the next cartridge down and to the rear (Figure 15b, Step 2).



Figure 15b

3.1 LOADING THE MAGAZINE (CONT'D)

While loading the magazine, be sure that each cartridge is pushed fully to the rear of the magazine, as shown in Figure 16a. This will reduce the risk of feeding malfunctions.

ROUND COUNT

The round count windows and markings on the rear of the magazine body can be used to determine the amount of rounds loaded in the magazine. The highest number with brass seen fully through the window indicates the number of rounds in the magazine. For example, the magazine in Figure 16b is loaded with five (5) rounds.

⚠ WARNING

Pay attention to the magazine's capacity. Never attempt to load more than the specified number of rounds into a magazine because this could lead to dangerous malfunctions and/or damage the magazine and prevent it from feeding properly.



Figure 16a



Figure 16b

3.2 LOADING THE PISTOL

⚠ WARNING

If the pistol is dropped or jarred with a loaded magazine in place and the slide locked in the open position, it is possible that the slide could close and chamber a live cartridge.

⚠ CAUTION

Always keep your fingers away from the ejection port and chamber area when closing the slide to avoid injury because the slide closes with significant force and could injure your fingers.

To load the pistol, point it in a safe direction (a safe direction is one in which no one can possibly be injured in the event of a negligent discharge), with your finger off the trigger and outside of the trigger guard and insert a properly loaded magazine into the grip. Press firmly upwards until the magazine clicks into place, as shown in Figure 17a.

Grip the pistol firmly, keeping it pointed in a safe direction with your finger off the trigger and outside of the trigger guard. Grasp the slide firmly with your support hand, retract it fully to the rear, and let it return forward under its own spring power to chamber the first cartridge (Figure 17b).

NOTE: Do not “ride” the slide forward. Doing so may induce a malfunction.

⚠ WARNING

The pistol is now loaded with a cartridge in the chamber and will fire if the trigger is pulled with the safety in the down - Safety OFF – position



Figure 17a



Figure 17b

3.2 LOADING THE PISTOL (CONT'D)

Racking the slide to chamber a cartridge will place the hammer into the cocked position, allowing the manual safety to be engaged. Be sure to engage the manual safety as soon as the pistol is loaded. See Figure 18a.



Figure 18a

Disengaging the manual safety will allow the trigger to be depressed and the sear to release the hammer, causing the pistol to fire. Do NOT disengage the manual safety until the pistol is aimed at your intended target and you are ready to fire. See Figure 18b.



Figure 18b

WARNING

Always be sure that the barrel of your OA 2311 pistol is clear of obstructions before loading it. Remove any obstructions pursuant to the instructions for clearing barrel obstructions in Section 3.4, before firing your OA 2311 pistol so that it will function safely and correctly. Any obstruction in the barrel could prevent the pistol from firing properly and result in death, serious personal injury, and or damage to the pistol.

WARNING

In case of a failure to fire, continue to hold your OA 2311 pistol pointed towards the target or in a safe direction for at least 30 seconds. If a hangfire (slow ignition) has occurred, the cartridge should fire within approximately 30 seconds. If the cartridge has not fired within 30 seconds, remove the magazine with your OA 2311 pistol still pointed in a safe direction and the ejection port facing away from you, pull the slide fully to the rear to eject the cartridge from the chamber and examine its primer. If the firing pin indentation is light or nonexistent, stop using your OA 2311 pistol and have it examined by a qualified gunsmith or OA Defense, LLC. If the firing pin indentation on the primer appears normal (compared to similar previously fired cartridges), the cartridge may be defective. Separate the cartridge from other live ammunition and empty cases, reload your OA 2311 pistol and

WARNING

If a noticeable difference in sound or recoil is experienced, it could mean that a cartridge fired without enough energy for the bullet to exit the barrel. Make sure that the barrel is not obstructed before continuing to use your OA 2311 pistol.

WARNING

Never use your OA 2311 pistol if it fails to function properly, and never force the slide closed on a jammed cartridge because it could cause the cartridge to explode.

WARNING

If you have difficulty in, or feel unusual resistance in, chambering a cartridge, or find unburned grains of propellant powder in the firing mechanism, make sure that the barrel is not obstructed before continuing to use your OA 2311 pistol.

3.3 FIRING THE PISTOL (CONT'D)

WARNING

Never pull the trigger if the slide does not fully close to prevent a possible out of battery firing. If the slide does not fully close, unload your OA 2311 pistol as described in Section 3.5, examine the round that was in the chamber, and check the chamber to ensure that there are no obstructions or debris in it.

WARNING

Always wear adequate safety glasses when firing your OA 2311 pistol to protect your eyes and make sure that anyone nearby is also wearing safety glasses to protect their eyes. Eye protection should, at a minimum, provide impact protection with side panels and meet ANSI standard Z87.1. Unprotected eyes can be injured by fragments expelled from the pistol, ejected cartridge cases, ruptured cartridge cases, splash back from targets, target frames, or backstops.

WARNING

Always wear adequate ear protection when firing your OA 2311 pistol to protect your hearing and make sure that anyone nearby is also wearing ear protection to protect their hearing. Unprotected exposure to gunshot noise can cause permanent hearing loss and/or tinnitus (ringing in the ears).

WARNING

Always be sure that your backstop is adequate to stop and contain bullets before firing so that you do not hit anything outside of the shooting range area. A bullet could travel through or past your target for several miles. If in doubt, do not shoot.

WARNING

Never shoot at a hard surface, such as a rock, pavement, glass, or metal, or a liquid surface, such as water, because a bullet could ricochet and travel in any direction, striking you or someone else.

WARNING

Always put a responsible and competent person in charge to maintain safety, discipline and control when a group is firing at a range, to reduce the likelihood of a negligent discharge.

3.3 FIRING THE PISTOL (CONT'D)

⚠CAUTION

Always keep yourself and others clear of the ejection port because spent cartridges are hot and are ejected with enough force to cause injury.

⚠CAUTION

Never touch the barrel immediately after firing because it may be hot and could cause burns.

⚠CAUTION

Always keep your fingers away from the ejection port and chamber area when closing the slide to avoid injury because the slide closes with significant force and could injure your fingers.

⚠CAUTION

Never fire your OA 2311 pistol near an animal unless it is trained to accept that noise. An animal's startled reaction could injure it or cause it to injure you or someone else.

GRIPPING THE PISTOL

Achieving a proper grip on your pistol is critical for both safety and performance. The grip hand should be placed as high on the grip as possible while the support hand is "rolled forward," allowing the support-side thumb to engage with the integrated support ledge on the frame. See Figure 21a.

TIP: The thumb of your grip-hand should rest on top of the manual safety when firing.

Do NOT wrap your support hand over top of your grip hand. This grip is incorrect and may result in reduced accuracy or induce a stoppage. See Figure 21b.



Figure 21a



Figure 21b

3.3 FIRING THE PISTOL (CONT'D)

AIMING THE PISTOL

There are a number of different methods for acquiring a proper sight picture. It is your responsibility to research and learn which method is most appropriate for your application. Pictured at-right is one method of proper sight alignment known as “Front Sight Focus”. This is achieved by centering the front sight in the rear sight aperture and placing the front sight directly over top of your target. (See Figure 23a.)

3.4 CLEARING MALFUNCTIONS

WARNING

In case of a failure to fire, continue to hold your OA 2311 pistol pointed towards the target for at least 30 seconds. If a hang fire (slow ignition) has occurred, the cartridge should fire within approximately 30 seconds. If the cartridge has not fired, remove the magazine, eject the cartridge from the chamber and examine its primer. If the firing pin indentation is light, off-center, or non-existent, stop using your OA 2311 pistol and have it examined by a qualified gunsmith or OA Defense, LLC. If the firing pin indentation on the primer appears normal (compared to similar previously fired cartridges) the cartridge may be defective. Separate the cartridge from other live ammunition and empty cases, reload your OA 2311 pistol and resume firing. (NOTE: Dispose of misfired cartridges in accordance with the ammunition manufacturer’s instructions.)

WARNING

If an unfired cartridge hangs up, jams or binds while being chambered, do not attempt to force it into the chamber by pushing or striking the slide to attempt to close it because this could cause the cartridge to burst resulting in fragments of the cartridge flying out of the ejection port with sufficient force to cause death, serious personal injury, and/or property damage.

WARNING

Always wear safety glasses and hearing protection when attempting to remove a jammed cartridge, and point the ejection port away from you.

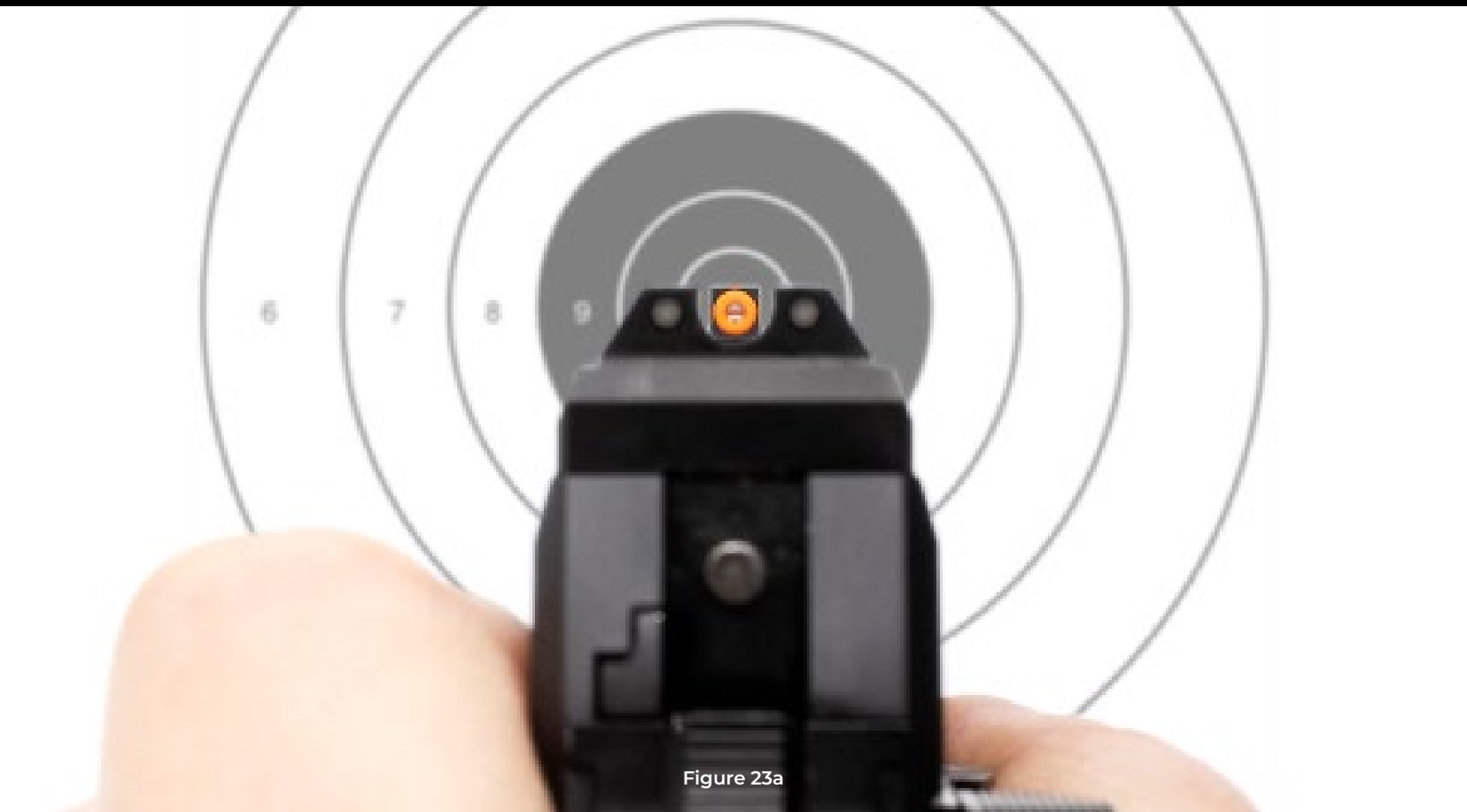


Figure 23a

3.4 CLEARING MALFUNCTIONS (CONT'D)



Never obstruct the ejection port, or attempt to eject the jammed cartridge into your hand, or attempt to catch it.

All auto-loading pistols may occasionally experience a malfunction (jam) or stoppage related to the feeding of ammunition. Most malfunctions are caused by improper ammunition, an improper grip on the pistol when shooting (limp wristing), improper cleaning or lubrication, or a damaged magazine. To minimize the chance of malfunctions (jams) or stoppages, regularly perform preventive maintenance on your OA 2311 pistol pursuant to the instructions in Section 4 of this manual. If you experience a malfunction (jam) or stoppage while using a new brand, type, or lot of ammunition, try firing another type of ammunition to determine whether the ammunition was the source of the malfunction (jam) or stoppage.

If a cartridge becomes jammed while being chambered or extracted, follow the steps below to remove it.

1. While keeping the muzzle of your OA 2311 pistol pointed in a safe direction (a safe direction is one in which no one can possibly be injured in the event of an unintentional discharge), remove the magazine if possible by pressing the magazine catch.
2. While holding the grip with your firing hand, with your finger off of the trigger and outside of the trigger guard, grip the rear of the slide at the serrations with your other hand and pull the slide fully back.
3. Lock the slide in the rearward (open) position by pushing up on the slide stop lever and slowly releasing the slide from the fully rearward position until it locks in the open position.
4. Visually and manually check to make sure that no cartridge remains in the chamber.

3.4 CLEARING MALFUNCTIONS (CONT'D)

5. If the previous steps have not removed the jammed cartridge, carefully remove the jammed cartridge from the chamber using your fingers or a pointed wooden dowel.

Do not use a metal tool to attempt to remove an unfired cartridge because it could ignite the primer and cause the cartridge to rupture resulting in fragments of the cartridge flying out of the ejection port with sufficient force to cause death, serious personal injury, and/or property damage.

If you are unable to remove the jammed cartridge using the above steps, leave the slide locked in the rearward (open) position and contact a qualified gunsmith or OA Defense, LLC.

3.5 UNLOADING THE PISTOL

⚠ WARNING

It is possible that a cartridge may be in the chamber when a magazine is being removed from or inserted into your OA 2311 pistol. A cartridge in the chamber will discharge when the trigger is pulled with the safety in the down - Safety OFF – position, whether or not a magazine is in your OA 2311 pistol. Therefore, never leave your OA 2311 pistol unattended, even when the magazine is removed. You must always verify that the chamber is empty before field stripping (disassembling into its major components) your OA 2311 pistol for cleaning or any other reason.

To unload your OA 2311 pistol, follow the instructions below. To ensure that your OA 2311 pistol is unloaded, you **MUST** proceed in this order.

Point the pistol in a safe position (a safe direction is one in which no one can possibly be injured in the event of an unintentional discharge) with your finger off the trigger and outside of the trigger guard and remove the magazine by pressing the magazine release button with your thumb and pulling the magazine out from the bottom of the grip. See Figure 26a.



Figure 26a

With the thumb safety in the down - Safety OFF – position, grip the rear of the slide at the serrations and pull it fully to the rear in a single motion and release it to eject any cartridge that may be in the chamber.

Pull the slide fully to the rear again and, while holding the slide to the rear (Figure 26b, Step 1), apply upward pressure to the slide stop lever (Figure 26b, Step 2) and let the slide move forward until it comes to a rest against the slide stop.



Figure 26b

3.5 UNLOADING THE PISTOL (CONT'D)

With the slide locked to the rear, both visually and manually (with your finger) inspect the chamber, the breech face of the slide, and the magazine well inside of the grip to ensure that all rounds have been successfully removed from the pistol.



Figure 27a

4. FIELDSTRIPPING AND GENERAL MAINTENANCE

WARNING

Unload all magazines and remove all live ammunition from the area before disassembling your OA 2311 pistol to reduce the chance of a negligent discharge.

WARNING

It is possible that a cartridge may be in the chamber when a loaded magazine is being removed from or inserted into your OA 2311 pistol. A cartridge in the chamber will discharge when the trigger is pulled with the safety in the down - Safety OFF – position, whether or not a magazine is in your OA 2311 pistol. Therefore, never leave your OA 2311 pistol unattended, even when the magazine is removed. You must always verify that the chamber is empty before field stripping (disassembling into its major components) your OA 2311 pistol for cleaning or any other reason.

WARNING

Never alter or modify your OA 2311 pistol because this could cause it to malfunction and create a dangerous condition.

WARNING

Always wear safety glasses when disassembling your OA 2311 pistol to protect your eyes from components that are under pressure, such as springs.

4.1 FIELDSTRIPPING/DISASSEMBLY

To fieldstrip (disassemble) your OA 2311 pistol for cleaning, follow the instructions below. To ensure that your OA 2311 pistol is unloaded, you **MUST** proceed in this order.

Point the pistol in a safe direction (a safe direction is one in which no one can possibly be injured in the event of an unintentional discharge) with your finger off the trigger and outside of the trigger guard and remove the magazine by pressing the magazine release button with your thumb and pulling the magazine out from the bottom of the grip. (Figure 29a)

With the thumb safety in the down - Safety OFF – position, grip the rear of the slide at the serrations and pull it fully to the rear in a single motion and release it to eject any cartridge that may be in the chamber.

Pull the slide fully to the rear again and, while holding the slide to the rear (Figure 29b, Step 1), apply upward pressure to the slide stop lever (Figure 29b, Step 2) and let the slide move forward until it comes to a rest against the slide stop.

With the slide locked to the rear, both visually and manually (with your finger) inspect the chamber, the breech face of the slide, and the magazine well inside of the grip to ensure that all rounds have been successfully removed from the pistol.

Release the slide to return it to the forward (closed) position by pulling the slide slightly to the rear to disengage the slide stop and then allowing the slide to move forward.



Figure 29a



Figure 29b



Figure 29c

4.1 FIELDSTRIPPING/DISASSEMBLY (CONT'D)

Grip the top of the slide with the fingers of your primary gripping hand as shown and pull the slide partially to the rear, lining up the slide stop with the crescent shaped cutout, located just behind the slide stop catch. (Figures 30a and 30b)



Figure 30a



Figure 30b



Figure 30c



Figure 30d

When properly aligned with its cutout, remove the left-side slide stop by pushing it through and partially out of the frame out with the index finger of your non-gripping hand. When the slide stop has cleared the slide and is partially protruding from the frame, pull it fully out of the frame using your other hand. (Figure 30c)

Carefully allow the slide to return to the forward position and remove the slide by pulling it straight off the front of the frame. (Figure 30d)

NOTE: The slide stop detent may be stiff when the pistol is brand new. Prior to break-in, a 1/16th punch or hex key may be inserted into the access hole in the right-side slide stop to dislodge the left-side slide stop for disassembly.

4.1 FIELDSTRIPPING/DISASSEMBLY (CONT'D)

Hold the slide assembly firmly in one hand (Figure 31a), and push the rear of the guide rod towards the muzzle while pulling it up and away from the slide (Figure 31b) to remove it along with the recoil spring.

NOTE: *The guide rod is under spring tension until completely removed from the firearm.*

Hold the barrel by the lug and lift it slightly. Push it toward the front of the slide and then pull it up and toward the rear to remove it from the slide. (Figure 31c)



Figure 31a



Figure 31b



Figure 31c

4.2 CLEANING THE PISTOL

WARNING

Always be sure that the barrel of your OA 2311 pistol is clear of obstructions before firing it. Remove any obstructions before firing your OA 2311 pistol so that it will function safely and correctly. Any obstruction in the barrel could prevent the pistol from firing properly and result in death, serious personal injury, and/or damage to the pistol.

WARNING

It is possible that a cartridge may be in the chamber when a magazine is being removed from or inserted into your OA 2311 pistol. A cartridge in the chamber will discharge when the trigger is pulled with the safety in the down - Safety OFF – position, whether or not a magazine is in your OA 2311 pistol. Therefore, never leave your OA 2311 pistol unattended, even when the magazine is removed. You must always verify that the chamber is empty before field stripping (disassembling into its major components) your OA 2311 pistol for cleaning or any other reason.

WARNING

Always wear safety glasses when cleaning your OA 2311 pistol to protect your eyes from cleaning materials.

WARNING

Always make sure that no ammunition is located in the area where you clean your OA 2311 pistol. Lubricant can affect the primer and powder in ammunition and cause it to malfunction. This could result in a bullet being pushed into the barrel of your OA 2311 pistol and getting stuck in the barrel. This could cause the barrel to burst and result in death or serious personal injury, in addition to damaging the pistol.

WARNING

Do not put lubricant or gun oil inside the firing pin channel. Make sure that the magazine (inside and out) and breech face are wiped dry before reassembling your OA 2311 pistol. Leaving lubricant in these areas could cause contaminations of primers and failure to fire.

4.2 CLEANING THE PISTOL (CONT'D)

NOTICE

As with any semi-automatic pistol, your OA 2311 pistol should be field stripped (disassembled into its major components) every time it is cleaned. Cleaning without field stripping, by merely locking the slide to the rear and inserting the cleaning rod from the muzzle, can cause dirt, oil and lubricant to build up inside the pistol causing malfunctions.

The OA 2311 is designed to provide reliable operation and accuracy even in austere environments, but it does require regular care and maintenance to continue performing at its best. Failure to properly maintain your OA 2311 may result in malfunctions, degradation of accuracy, and reduced service life. To clean your unloaded OA 2311 pistol, first disassemble it pursuant to the instructions in Section 4.1

BARREL | Clean the barrel as follows:

1. Wet a cleaning patch with a commercial gun solvent or a cleaner-lubricant-preservative (CLP) intended for use with firearms and run it through the barrel, from the chamber end, several times using a cleaning rod.
2. Wet a bristled cleaning brush with gun solvent or CLP and run it back and forth in the barrel, from the chamber end, using a cleaning rod to remove any fouling and burned powder.
3. Wet another cleaning patch with gun solvent or CLP and run it through the barrel once, from the chamber end, with the cleaning rod and examine it. If it is not clean, repeat steps 2 and 3 until the patch remains clean after being run through the barrel.
4. Run a clean patch through the barrel, from the chamber end, using the cleaning rod.
5. Lightly wet a clean patch with commercial gun oil or CLP and run it through the barrel from the chamber end.

4.2 CLEANING THE PISTOL (CONT'D)

6. Before firing your OA 2311 pistol, run a clean patch through the barrel, from the chamber end, using the cleaning rod. Repeat this procedure until the patch comes out of the barrel with no gun oil or CLP on it.

NOTICE

If you will be storing your OA 2311 pistol do not perform step 6 until you are ready to use it.

7. Wet a nylon bristle brush or a clean patch with gun solvent or CLP and thoroughly brush or wipe the outside of the barrel, including the barrel lug, to remove any dirt or residue.

8. Wipe the outside of the barrel dry with a clean patch and examine it. If it is not clean, repeat steps 7 and 8 until the patch remains clean.

SLIDE | Clean the slide as follows:

1. Wet a nylon bristle brush with gun solvent or CLP and thoroughly brush the slide rails, barrel channel, and barrel lock-up points inside the slide.

2. Wipe the rail cuts in the slide with a clean patch and examine it. If it is not clean, repeat steps 1 and 2 until the patch remains clean.

3. Wet a nylon bristle brush with gun solvent or CLP and, while holding the slide with the muzzle end facing down, brush the breech face and the interior surfaces of the slide.

4. While holding the slide with the muzzle end facing down, wipe the breech face and interior surfaces with a clean patch and examine it. If it is not clean, repeat steps three and four until the patch remains clean.

4.2 CLEANING THE PISTOL (CONT'D)

5. Check all other exposed areas of the slide for cleanliness. If any dirt or debris is found, remove it with gun solvent or CLP using a nylon bristle brush, patch, or a clean, soft cloth.
6. Wipe the exposed areas of the slide that you have cleaned in step 5 with a clean patch and examine it. If it is not clean, repeat steps 5 and 6 until the patch remains clean.

FRAME | Clean the frame as follows:

1. Wipe the frame, including the frame rails, with a clean, soft cloth that has been slightly dampened with gun solvent or CLP.
2. Wipe the exposed areas of the frame that you have cleaned in step 1 with a clean patch and examine it. If it is not clean, repeat steps 1 and 2 until the patch remains clean.

OPTIC

If you have an optic mounted, clean it pursuant to the instructions provided by the manufacturer of the optic.

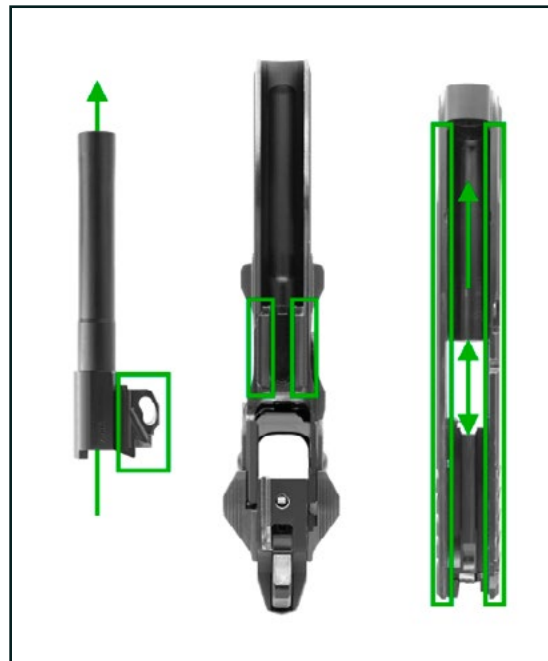


Figure 35a

Figure 35a shows the critical areas - highlighted in green - that should be inspected and cleaned for optimal performance.

4.3 LUBRICATION

After you have cleaned your OA 2311, you should lubricate the following surfaces using commercial gun oil or CLP:

- Top of barrel near muzzle
- Inner surfaces of barrel lug
- Frame rails
- Ejector surfaces
- Inner surfaces of slide where it contacts barrel hood
- Center slide rib

Lubrication points are highlighted in green in Figure 36a.

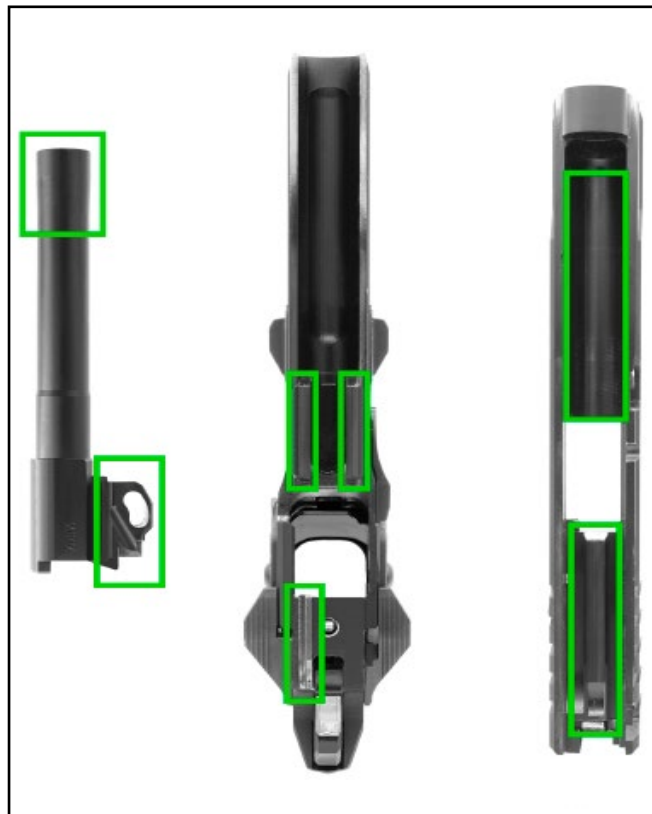


Figure 36a

4.4 REASSEMBLY

To assemble your OA 2311 pistol, follow the instructions below.

Hold the barrel by the lug and insert the muzzle end into the slide, aligning the barrel hood with opening in the slide and pushing it down and forward until fully seated. (Figure 37a)

To reinstall the guide rod assembly, insert the spring tail of the recoil spring into the recoil spring pocket at the front of the slide. Applying even pressure, push the guide rod assembly towards and through the muzzle end of the slide until the rear of the guide rod is below the face of the barrel lug. Push the guide rod down until the shoulder of the guide rod flange rests against the pocket on the face of the barrel lug, and then release tension on it. (Figure 37b)

Holding the frame in your firing hand, with your finger off of the trigger and outside of the trigger guard, place the slide on top of the frame in front of the frame rails, and push the slide to the back of the frame until the barrel lug aligns with the hole in the side of the frame.

Ensure the barrel lug and frame hole are aligned, then push the post of the left-side slide stop lever into the hole. (See Figure 37c for alignment examples.)

When the post of the slide stop lever is inserted halfway, pull the slide to the rear until the crescent shaped portion of the slide release aligns with its corresponding crescent shaped cut-out in the slide. Push the slide stop lever fully into place until it engages and clicks into the detent in the right-side slide stop. **NOTE: Ensure that the right-side slide stop remains horizontal in the frame during this process for proper alignment.**



Figure 37a



Figure 37b

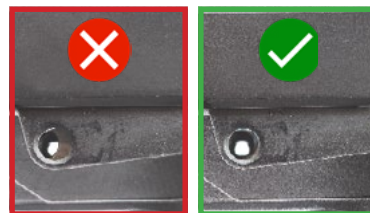


Figure 37c

5. CONFIGURING THE PISTOL

⚠ WARNING

Make sure that your OA 2311 pistol is unloaded (magazine removed and chamber empty) before changing its configuration.

5.1 CHANGING THE IRON SIGHTS

To remove your front sight, place a suitably sized drift punch against the base of the front sight, and strike the rear of the punch with a gunsmithing hammer until the front sight is free from the slide dovetail. (Figure 38a)

NOTICE

Do not place your punch against the blade of the front sight because this could damage it.

Install your new front sight by aligning its base with the dovetail in the slide and place a suitably sized drift punch against the base of the front sight. Strike the rear of the punch until the front sight is fully installed. Ensure proper alignment has been achieved before use.

To replace the rear iron sight, ensure that the rear sight plate is securely mounted on the rear of the slide and use the same tools and procedure as the front iron sight.

NOTE: *It is also possible to change the iron sights using a commercially available sight pusher tool. Please refer to the instructions provided with the tool for proper installation procedures.*

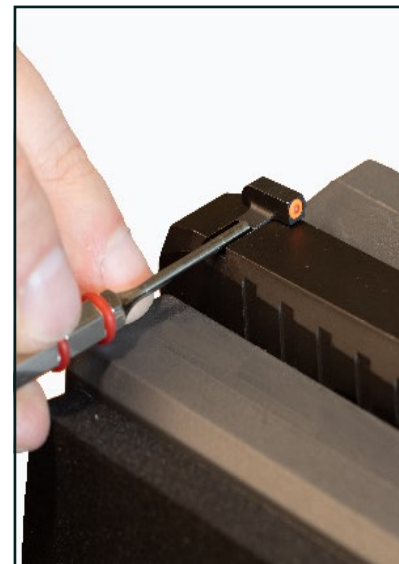


Figure 38a

5.2 MOUNTING AN OPTIC

To mount an optic on your OA 2311, you must first remove the rear iron sight cover plate. Use a T15 Torx bit to remove the two screws and separate the plate from the slide. A small amount of blue Loctite Blue Threadlocker has been applied to these screws. Please use appropriate care when removing them.

Select the appropriate optic mounting plate for the intended optic. OA 2311 models ship with the Dawson Precision Trijicon RMR footprint optic plate.

NOTE: *DPP optic plates are available for purchase via the OA Defense website or through OA Defense Authorized Dealers.*

Once the appropriate optic mounting plate has been selected, align it with the slide and set it in place. Apply orange thread locker to the two T15 Torx mounting screws, and tighten to 20in/lbs. (Figure 39a)

Refer to the installation instructions provided with your optic for proper mounting procedure and torque specifications. (Figure 39b)

NOTE: *OA Defense optic plates are designed to accommodate the optics listed above. However, some optics may require a light tap with a rubber gunsmithing mallet to be properly seated in the OA 2311's optic plate. This tight fitment ensures minimal movement and reduces the lateral recoil forces applied on the optic mounting screws.*



Figure 39a



Figure 39b

NOTICE

Over-torquing or under-torquing optics and mounts may damage the pistol, mount or optic, which is not covered by warranty.

5.3 CHANGING THE MAGWELL EXTENSION

COMPACT MAGWELL EXTENSION TO FULLSIZE MAGWELL EXTENSION

Remove the 1/16" hex head screw at the base of the compact magwell extension. (Figure 40a, Step 1)

Lift the rear of the magwell extension and slide it forward to remove it from the grip. (Figure 40a, Step 2)

Install the magwell extension hanger (included with the fullsize magwell kit). Ensure the base of the hanger is parallel with the base of the grip with the hanger protruding towards the rear of the pistol. (Figure 40b) *NOTE: Do not over-tighten this hanger screw. It should have a bit of play in it for proper magwell fitment. Adjusting the tension of this screw will determine how tightly the magwell fits after installation.*

Slide the front section of the fullsize magwell extension onto the grip, seating the rear of the magwell securely onto the hanger. (Figure 40c)

Install the magwell retainer plate (Figure 40d, Step 1) and insert the two T10 Torx screws (Figure 40d, Step 2). Tighten screws to 15in/lbs.



Figure 40a



Figure 40b



Figure 40c



Figure 40d

5.3 CHANGING THE MAGWELL EXTENSION (CONT'D)

FULLSIZE MAGWELL EXTENSION TO COMPACT MAGWELL EXTENSION

Remove the two T10 Torx screws at the base of the fullsize magwell extension. (Figure 41a, Step 1)

Remove the the magwell retainer plate. (Figure 41a, Step 2)

Slide the front section of the fullsize magwell extension forward to release it from the magwell hanger and remove it from the grip.

Remove the 1/16" hex head screw securing the magwell extension hanger and remove the hanger. (Figure 41b)

Slide the Compact magwell extension onto the front of the grip (Figure 41c) and press the rear into position. (Figure 41d, Step 1)

Install the 1/16" hex head screw at the base of the Compact magwell extension (Figure 41d, Step 2). Tighten to 15 in/lbs.



Figure 41a



Figure 41b



Figure 41c



Figure 41d

5.4 REVERSING THE MAG RELEASE

⚠ WARNING

Always wear safety glasses when adjusting the magazine release to protect your eyes from components that are under pressure, such as springs.

The magazine catch on the OA 2311 pistol can be reversed for use by right-handed or left-handed users by proceeding as follows.

Depress the magazine release enough to completely reveal the pinhole on the rear of the release. (Figure 42a)

Insert a .05" Allen key, or similarly sized punch, to depress the retention feature of the magazine release locking plug. (Figure 42b, Step 1)

Remove the locking plug by pulling upwards with your fingernail on the muzzle-side of the plug. (Figure 42b, Step 2)

Remove the Allen key/punch used to depress the retention feature of the locking plug.

Remove the magazine release from the engagement side, ensuring it has retained the magazine release spring. (Figure 42c)



Figure 42a



Figure 42b



Figure 42c

5.4 REVERSING THE MAG RELEASE (CONT'D)

Insert the magazine release back through the grip, ensuring the textured face is facing your desired direction. (Figure 43a)

The textured face should face the left side of the frame for right-handed shooters, and the right side of the frame for left-handed shooters.

Ensure the magazine release spring is on the forward side of the magazine release.

After inserting the magazine release, insert the magazine release locking plug on the opposite side, in the orientation shown below. (Figure 43b)

Press on the locking plug until you feel it click into position.



Figure 43a



Figure 43b

Figure 43c shows the individual components of the magazine release and the engagement direction.



Figure 43c

6. LIMITED LIFETIME WARRANTY

6.1 WARRANTY OVERVIEW

LIMITED LIFETIME WARRANTY FOR INITIAL RETAIL PURCHASER

Subject to terms, conditions and limitations outlined below, OA Defense, LLC (“OA Defense”) guarantees its firearms against defects in materials and workmanship that adversely affect their operation for the life of the product. OA Defense agrees to correct any defect in the firearm for the initial retail purchaser by repair, adjustment, or replacement, at OA Defense’s sole option, with the same or comparable quality components (or by replacing the firearm at OA Defense’s sole option).

6.2 HOW TO USE YOUR WARRANTY

To make a claim under this warranty, notify us by telephone, email, or mail at:

OA Defense, LLC

13117 NC HWY 24-27

Robbins, NC 27325

Telephone: 910-975-7316 (Monday-Friday, 10am-4pm EST)

Email: support@oadefense.com

Do not return your firearm to OA Defense unless instructed to do so by an OA Defense customer support team member. You are responsible for the cost of shipping your firearm to OA Defense if instructed to do so. Once we receive and evaluate your firearm, our warranty team will be in touch with you to discuss resolution. If we determine that there is a defect in either material or manufacturing that is covered by this warranty, OA Defense will either repair or replace the firearm at its sole discretion.

If OA Defense chooses to replace your firearm instead of repairing it, it will replace it with the same make and model of firearm, if that model of firearm is: (1) still sold by OA Defense; and (2) legal for you to possess pursuant to applicable law. If the same model of firearm is no longer sold by OA Defense, or that model of firearm is not legal for you to possess pursuant to applicable law, OA Defense will replace it with a similar firearm that: (1) it currently sells; and is (2) legal for you to possess, at its sole discretion.

6.3 LIMITATIONS OF WARRANTY

This limited warranty is void if any of the following occur:

1. The firearm has been misused, abused, or damaged;
2. The firearm has not been properly maintained as described in the Owner's Manual;
3. The firearm or any of its parts have been altered or modified in any way from their original state, including cosmetic alterations;
4. The firearm has been disassembled beyond the field stripping instructions in the Owner's Manual; or
5. The firearm has been used for firing remanufactured, reloaded, handloaded ammunition, or ammunition that does not meet SAAMI, CIP or NATO standards.

This warranty is not transferable to any other person.

This warranty does not apply to any accessory items attached to, or used in connection with, the firearm.

There are no warranties that extend beyond the description on the face hereof.

The sole and exclusive remedy pursuant to this warranty is the repair or replacement of the firearm, at the sole discretion of OA Defense.

The implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose are expressly limited to one year from the date of the initial retail purchase of the firearm.

- There are no warranties that extend beyond the description on the face hereof.
- The sole and exclusive remedy pursuant to this warranty is the repair or replacement of the firearm, at the sole discretion of OA Defense.
- All disclaimers and limitations of liability shall still apply even if the limited remedy of repair and replacement fails of its essential purpose.
- In states where permitted, OA Defense assumes no liability for incidental or consequential damage or for incidental expenses.
- Any action against OA Defense based on an alleged breach of this warranty must be brought within one (1) year of the claimed breach.
- This warranty shall not operate to extend the statute of limitations for product liability actions, or extend the time limit or the effect of any statute of repose.
- Any action against OA Defense based on an alleged breach of this warranty shall be governed by the substantive law of Nevada, without regard to its conflict of laws rules, and must be brought exclusively in a state court located in Lyon County, Nevada, or in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada.
- OA Defense's liability for breach of warranty shall be limited to repair or replacement of the firearm, at the sole discretion of OA Defense.

7. YOUTH HANDGUN SAFETY ACT NOTICE

- (1) The misuse of handguns is a leading contributor to juvenile violence and fatalities.
- (2) Safely storing and securing firearms away from children will help prevent the unlawful possession of handguns by juveniles, stop accidents, and save lives.
- (3) Federal law prohibits, except in certain limited circumstances, anyone under 18 years of age from knowingly possessing a handgun, or any person from selling, delivering, or otherwise transferring a handgun to a person under 18.
- (4) A knowing violation of the prohibition against selling, delivering, or otherwise transferring a handgun to a person under the age of 18 is, under certain circumstances, punishable by up to 10 years in prison.

FEDERAL LAW

The Gun Control Act of 1968, 18 U.S.C. Chapter 44, provides in pertinent part as follows:

18 U.S.C. §922(x)

- (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, deliver, or otherwise transfer to a person who the transferor knows or has reasonable cause to believe is a juvenile –
 - (A) a handgun; or
 - (B) ammunition that is suitable for use only in a handgun.
- (2) It shall be unlawful for any person who is a juvenile to knowingly possess –
 - (A) a handgun; or
 - (B) ammunition that is suitable for use only in a handgun.

(3) This subsection does not apply to—

A) a temporary transfer of a handgun or ammunition to a juvenile or to the possession or use of a handgun or ammunition by a juvenile if the handgun and ammunition are possessed and used by the juvenile—

(i) in the course of employment, in the course of ranching or farming related to activities at the residence of the juvenile (or on property used for ranching or farming at which the juvenile, with the permission of the property owner or lessee, is performing activities related to the operation of the farm or ranch), target practice, hunting, or a course of instruction in the safe and lawful use of a handgun;

(ii) with the prior written consent of the juvenile's parent or guardian who is not prohibited by Federal, State, or local law from possessing a firearm, except –

(I) during transportation by the juvenile of an unloaded handgun in a locked container directly from the place of transfer to a place at which an activity described in clause (i) is to take place and transportation by the juvenile of that handgun, unloaded and in a locked container, directly from the place at which such an activity took place to the transferor; or

(II) with respect to ranching or farming activities as described in clause (i), a juvenile may possess and use a handgun or ammunition with the prior written approval of the juvenile's parent or legal guardian and at the direction of an adult who is not prohibited by Federal, State or local law from possessing a firearm;

(iii) the juvenile has the prior written consent in the juvenile's possession at all times when a handgun is in the possession of the juvenile; and

(iv) in accordance with State and local law;

(B) a juvenile who is a member of the Armed Forces of the United States or the National Guard who possesses or is armed with a handgun in the line of duty;

(C) a transfer by inheritance of title (but not possession) of a handgun or ammunition to a juvenile; or

(D) the possession of a handgun or ammunition by a juvenile taken in defense of the juvenile or other persons against an intruder into the residence of the juvenile or a residence in which the juvenile is an invited guest.

(4) A handgun or ammunition, the possession of which is transferred to a juvenile in circumstances in which the transferor is not in violation of this subsection shall not be subject to permanent confiscation by the Government if its possession by the juvenile subsequently becomes unlawful because of the conduct of the juvenile, but shall be returned to the lawful owner when such handgun or ammunition is no longer required by the Government for the purposes of investigation or prosecution.

(5) For purposes of this subsection, the term “juvenile” means a person who is less than 18 years of age.

(6)

(A) In a prosecution of a violation of this subsection, the court shall require the presence of a juvenile defendant’s parent or legal guardian at all proceedings.

(B) The court may use the contempt power to enforce subparagraph (A).

(C) The court may excuse attendance of a parent or legal guardian of a juvenile defendant at a proceeding in a prosecution of a violation of this subsection for good cause shown.

18 U.S.C. § 924(a)(6)

(6)(A)(i) A juvenile who violates section 922(x) shall be fined under this title, imprisoned not more than 1 year, or both, except that a juvenile described in clause (ii) shall be sentenced to probation on appropriate conditions and shall not be incarcerated unless the juvenile fails to comply with a condition of probation.

(ii) A juvenile is described in this clause if –

(I) the offense of which the juvenile is charged is possession of a handgun or ammunition in violation of section 922(x)(2);

and

(II) the juvenile has not been convicted in any court of an offense (including an offense under section 922(x) or a similar State law, but not including any other offense consisting of conduct that if engaged in by an adult would not constitute an offense) or adjudicated as a juvenile delinquent for conduct that if engaged in by an adult would constitute an offense.

(B) A person other than a juvenile who knowingly violates section 922(x) –

(i) shall be fined under this title, imprisoned not more than 1 year, or both; and

(ii) if the person sold, delivered, or otherwise transferred a handgun or ammunition to a juvenile knowing or having reasonable cause to know that the juvenile intended to carry or otherwise possess or discharge or otherwise use the handgun or ammunition in the commission of a crime of violence, shall be fined under this title, imprisoned not more than 10 years, or both.

If you have any questions, contact:

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives
99 New York Avenue NE
Washington, DC 20226

Phone: (202) 648-7190

OR

Visit www.atf.gov

8. STATE REQUIRED WARNINGS

The following warnings are required by certain jurisdictions.

California:

	WARNING “Children are attracted to and can operate firearms that can cause severe injuries or death. Prevent child access by always keeping guns locked away and unloaded when not in use. If you keep a loaded firearm where a child obtains and improperly uses it, you may be fined or sent to prison.”
	ADVERTENCIA “A los niños los atraen las armas de fuego y las pueden hacer funcionar. Ellos pueden causarse lesiones graves y la muerte. Evite que los niños tengan acceso a las armas de fuego guardándolas siempre con llave y descargadas cuando no las esté utilizando. Si usted tiene una arma de fuego cargada en un lugar en que un niño tiene acceso a ella y la usa indebidamente, le pueden dar una multa o enviarlo a la cárcel.”

Connecticut:

“UNLAWFUL STORAGE OF A LOADED FIREARM MAY RESULT IN IMPRISONMENT OR FINE.”

Florida:

“IT IS UNLAWFUL, AND PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT AND FINE, FOR ANY ADULT TO STORE OR LEAVE A FIREARM IN ANY PLACE WITHIN THE REACH OR EASY ACCESS OF A MINOR UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE OR TO KNOWINGLY SELL OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER OWNERSHIP OR POSSESSION OF A FIREARM TO A MINOR OR A PERSON OF UNSOUND MIND.”

Maine:

“ENDANGERING THE WELFARE OF A CHILD IS A CRIME. IF YOU LEAVE A FIREARM AND AMMUNITION WITHIN EASY ACCESS OF A CHILD, YOU MAY BE SUBJECT TO FINE, IMPRISONMENT OR BOTH. KEEP FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION LOCKED UP. USE TRIGGER LOCKS.”

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Maryland:

WARNING: “CHILDREN CAN OPERATE FIREARMS WHICH MAY CAUSE DEATH OR SERIOUS INJURY. IT IS A CRIME TO STORE OR LEAVE A LOADED FIREARM IN ANY LOCATION WHERE AN INDIVIDUAL KNEW OR SHOULD HAVE KNOWN THAT AN UNSUPERVISED MINOR WOULD GAIN ACCESS TO THE FIREARM. STORE YOUR FIREARM RESPONSIBLY!”

Massachusetts:

“WARNING FROM THE MASSACHUSETTS ATTORNEY GENERAL: This handgun is not equipped with a device that fully blocks use by unauthorized users. More than 200,000 firearms like this one are stolen from their owners every year in the United States. In addition, there are more than a thousand suicides each year by younger children and teenagers who get access to firearms. Hundreds more die from accidental discharge. It is likely that many more children sustain serious wounds, or inflict such wounds accidentally on others. In order to limit the chance of such misuse, it is imperative that you keep this weapon locked in a secure place and take reasonable preventive steps necessary to limit the possibility of theft or accident. Failure to take reasonable preventative steps may result in innocent lives being lost, and in some circumstances may result in your liability for these deaths.”

“IT IS UNLAWFUL TO STORE OR KEEP A FIREARM, RIFLE, SHOTGUN OR MACHINE GUN IN ANY PLACE UNLESS THAT WEAPON IS EQUIPPED WITH A TAMPER-RESISTANT SAFETY DEVICE OR IS STORED OR KEPT IN A SECURELY LOCKED CONTAINER.”

New Jersey:

“IT IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE TO LEAVE A LOADED FIREARM WITHIN EASY ACCESS OF A MINOR.”

New York:

WARNING: RESPONSIBLE FIREARM STORAGE IS THE LAW IN NEW YORK STATE. FIREARMS MUST EITHER BE STORED WITH A GUN LOCKING DEVICE OR IN A SAFE STORAGE DEPOSITORY OR NOT BE LEFT OUTSIDE THE IMMEDIATE POSSESSION AND CONTROL OF THE OWNER OR OTHER LAWFUL POSSESSOR IF A CHILD RESIDES IN THE HOME OR IS PRESENT, OR IF THE OWNER OR POSSESSOR

OWNER OR OTHER LAWFUL POSSESSOR IF A CHILD RESIDES IN THE HOME OR IS PRESENT, OR IF THE OWNER OR POSSESSOR RESIDES WITH A PERSON PROHIBITED FROM POSSESSING A FIREARM UNDER STATE OR FEDERAL LAW. FIREARMS SHOULD BE STORED UNLOADED AND LOCKED IN A LOCATION SEPARATE FROM AMMUNITION. LEAVING FIREARMS ACCESSIBLE TO A CHILD OR OTHER PROHIBITED PERSON MAY SUBJECT YOU TO IMPRISONMENT, FINE OR BOTH.

New York City:

“THE USE OF A LOCKING DEVICE OR SAFETY LOCK IS ONLY ONE ASPECT OF RESPONSIBLE FIREARMS STORAGE. FOR INCREASED SAFETY, FIREARMS SHOULD BE STORED UNLOADED AND LOCKED IN A LOCATION THAT IS BOTH SEPARATE FROM THEIR AMMUNITION AND INACCESSIBLE TO CHILDREN AND OTHER UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS.”

North Carolina:

“IT IS UNLAWFUL TO STORE OR LEAVE A FIREARM THAT CAN BE DISCHARGED IN A MANNER THAT A REASONABLE PERSON SHOULD KNOW IS ACCESSIBLE TO A MINOR.”

Texas:

“IT IS UNLAWFUL TO STORE, TRANSPORT, OR ABANDON AN UNSECURED FIREARM IN A PLACE WHERE CHILDREN ARE LIKELY TO BE AND CAN OBTAIN ACCESS TO THE FIREARM.”

Wisconsin:

“IF YOU LEAVE A LOADED FIREARM WITHIN THE REACH OR EASY ACCESS OF A CHILD YOU MAY BE FINED OR IMPRISONED OR BOTH IF THE CHILD IMPROPERLY DISCHARGES, POSSESSES, OR EXHIBITS THE FIREARM.”

State laws and regulations concerning firearms change constantly. Please check with your state attorney general’s office or state police for additional laws and regulations regarding the storage and use of firearms in your state.

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