

⚠ WARNING:

BEFORE USING THIS FIREARM, READ AND FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS

If there is anything you do not understand, get help from someone qualified in the safe handling of firearms.



**SAFETY
AND
INSTRUCTION
MANUAL**

**COLT® COWBOY™
SINGLE ACTION REVOLVER**

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This instruction manual should always accompany this firearm.
When you lend, give or sell this firearm, be sure this manual goes with it.**

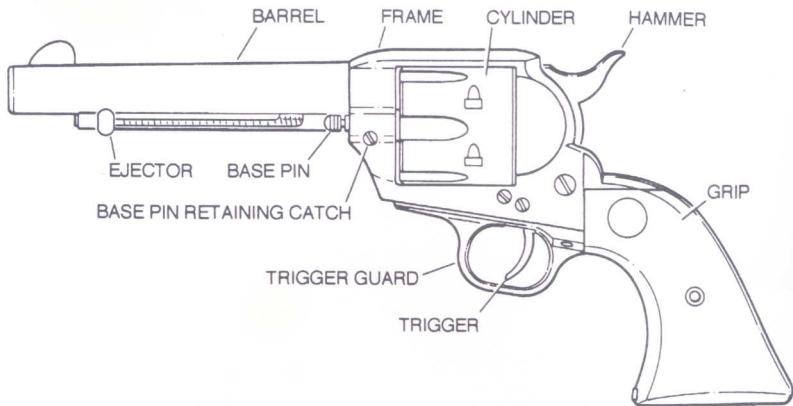


Figure 1—COLT® SINGLE ACTION REVOLVER

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READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL THE FOLLOWING PRECAUTIONS BEFORE REMOVING THIS FIREARM FROM ITS PACKAGE.

This Colt product is classified by the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Division of the Internal Revenue Service, U.S. Treasury Department, as a firearm or dangerous weapon; it is, therefore, potentially lethal!



WARNING: IF THIS FIREARM IS CARELESSLY OR IMPROPERLY HANDLED, UNINTENTIONAL DISCHARGE COULD RESULT AND COULD CAUSE INJURY, DEATH, OR DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.



CAUTION: CAREFULLY READ THIS INSTRUCTION MANUAL WHICH GIVES BASIC ADVICE ON THE PROPER HANDLING AND FUNCTIONING OF THIS COLT FIREARM PRIOR TO LOADING AND FIRING. However, your safety and the safety of others (including your family) depends on your mature compliance with that advice, and your adoption, development and constant employment of safe practices.

If unfamiliar with firearms, seek further advice through safe handling courses run by your local gun clubs, NRA approved instructor, or similar qualified organizations.

NOTICE

Colt shall not be responsible for injury, death, or damage to property resulting from either intentional or accidental discharge of this firearm, or from its function when used for purposes or subjected to treatment for which it was not designed. Colt will not honor claims involving this firearm which result from careless or improper handling, unauthorized adjustment or parts replacement, corrosion, neglect, or the use of wrong caliber ammunition, or the use of ammunition other than original high quality commercially manufactured ammunition in good condition, or any combination thereof. Colt will not honor claims involving this firearm for any reason or cause when such claims are made by the second or subsequent owner.

IMPORTANT

Before it left the factory this firearm was tested, carefully inspected, and packaged. Colt cannot control product handling after it leaves the factory; therefore, please examine this firearm carefully at the time of purchase to insure that it is unloaded and undamaged. The dealer will be pleased to assist you in making this examination and endeavor to answer your further questions.

This instruction manual should always accompany this firearm and be transferred with it upon change of ownership.



CAUTION: USE ONLY ORIGINAL HIGH QUALITY COMMERCIALLY MANUFACTURED AMMUNITION IN GOOD CONDITION WHICH IS APPROPRIATE TO THE CALIBER OF YOUR REVOLVER — SEE TABLE BELOW.

| Revolver Chamber Size | Suitable Ammunition | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|---------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | 44 Spec. | 44-40 | 45 Colt | 357 Mag. | 38 Spec. | 38 Spec.+P | 38-40 |
| 44 Special | Yes | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| 44-40 | No | Yes | No | No | No | No | No |
| 45 Colt | No | No | Yes | No | No | No | No |
| 357 Mag. | No | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| 38-40 | No | No | No | No | No | No | Yes |

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| Revolver Type | Barrel Lengths | Finishes | Sights |
|--|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| Cowboy Single Action Revolver, 45 Colt, 357 Magnum, 44 Special, 44-40, 38-40 | 4 ³ / ₄ " , 5 ¹ / ₂ " 7 ¹ / ₂ " or 12" | Colt Blue (color case hardened frame) | Fixed rear square notch. Fixed front blade. |

