INSTRUCTION MANUAL FOR
FREEDOM ARMS® MODEL 1997
MID-FRAME REVOLVERS

Manufacturing the "World's Finest Revolvers"

IMPORTANT: KEEP THIS BOOKLET HANDY FOR REFERENCE.

This manual should always accompany the firearm, even upon sale, transfer, loan or otherwise. For your own safety and the safety of others study this manual before using your Freedom Arms revolver. It is your responsibility to learn and to understand how to correctly operate and safely use this firearm. If you have any questions or comments please call or write to us:

Freedom Arms, Inc.
P.O. Box 150, #1 Freedom Lane
Freedom, Wyoming 83120
(307) 883-2468

©Freedom Arms, 1997. All rights reserved.
INSTRUCTION MANUAL
FOR
FREEDOM ARMS® MODEL 1997
MID-FRAME REVOLVERS

Manufacturing the "World's Finest Revolvers"

IMPORTANT: KEEP THIS BOOKLET HANDY FOR REFERENCE.

This manual should always accompany the firearm, even upon sale, transfer, loan or otherwise. For your own safety and the safety of others study this manual before using your Freedom Arms revolver. It is your responsibility to learn and to understand how to correctly operate and safely use this firearm. If you have any questions or comments please call or write to us:

Freedom Arms, Inc.
P.O. Box 150, #1 Freedom Lane
Freedom, Wyoming 83120
(307) 883-2468

©Freedom Arms, 1997. All rights reserved.
IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR FREEDOM ARMS REVOLVER

Please record for your future reference.

Serial Number ____________________________
Caliber _________________________________
Special Features __________________________
Purchase Price __________________________
Purchased From __________________________
Date of Purchase _________________________

IMPORTANT

TO VALIDATE THE WARRANTY ON YOUR FREEDOM ARMS® REVOLVER, DETACH, FILL IN, AND RETURN THE WARRANTY REGISTRATION CARD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF REVOLVER PURCHASE.
**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR FREEDOM ARMS REVOLVER**

Please record for your future reference.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Serial Number</th>
<th>Caliber</th>
<th>Special Features</th>
<th>Purchase Price</th>
<th>Purchased From</th>
<th>Date of Purchase</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

**IMPORTANT**

TO VALIDATE THE WARRANTY ON YOUR FREEDOM ARMS® REVOLVER, DETACH, FILL IN, AND RETURN THE WARRANTY REGISTRATION CARD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF REVOLVER PURCHASE.
IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR FREEDOM ARMS REVOLVER

Please record for your future reference.

Serial Number ___________________________________________
Caliber _________________________________________________
Special Features _________________________________________

Purchase Price ____________________________________________
Purchased From ___________________________________________
Date of Purchase ___________________________________________

IMPORTANT

TO VALIDATE THE WARRANTY ON YOUR FREEDOM ARMS® REVOLVER, DETACH, FILL IN, AND RETURN THE WARRANTY REGISTRATION CARD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF REVOLVER PURCHASE.
TABLE OF CONTENTS

Basic Safety Rules ........................................ 2
Hammer Operation ........................................ 5
Safety Position ............................................ 6
Transfer Bar ................................................ 7
Full-Cock Position ....................................... 8
Half-Cock Position ..................................... 10
Loading ..................................................... 14
Unloading ................................................... 15
Firing & Recommended Grip ....................... 15
Carrying Loaded Revolver ......................... 17
Removing Cylinder ................................. 18
Cleaning Revolver ................................. 19
Other Information ................................. 20
Warranty Information ............................. 22

FREEDOM ARMS, INC.
POST OFFICE BOX 150
#1 FREEDOM LANE
FREEDOM, WYOMING 83120
(307) 883-2468
(307) 883-2005 (fax)
e-mail address: freedom@freedomarms.com
See us on the internet at www.freedomarms.com
Freedom Arms® Model 1997

- Loading Gate
- Chamber
- Ejector Tab
- Cylinder Pin
- Trigger
- Grip Frame
- Grips
- Receiver
- Hammer
CONGRATULATIONS! You are now the proud owner of a Freedom Arms revolver. Your Freedom Arms revolver is a top quality firearm manufactured with the finest materials and craftsmanship and designed to give you a lifetime of shooting pleasure and dependability.

The warranty registration card is attached to the back cover of this manual. Please fill in the requested information, detach, and mail the card to Freedom Arms. This procedure is required to validate the limited warranty on your revolver.

We are very interested in hearing your comments about the Freedom Arms revolver you have purchased. Please feel free to contact us by mail, email or by telephone during our business hours between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Mountain Standard Time.

FIREARM SAFETY IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY

As the owner of a firearm you assume very demanding responsibilities. Regardless of whether you are carrying your firearm in the field or storing it at home, you must always remember that this product is potentially dangerous to you and others if not used safely and correctly. Your misuse of this firearm may result in serious injury or death. It is absolutely essential that you study this manual and thoroughly understand how to correctly operate and care for this firearm before it is ever loaded. The safe handling and the safe storage of your Freedom Arms revolver is YOUR responsibility. You must never assume that the safety mechanism on your firearm is absolutely foolproof, and never assume it will always protect against an accidental discharge. The safe handling of your firearm always requires your intelligent, focused and disciplined use of this product.
FULLY UNDERSTAND HOW TO CORRECTLY OPERATE YOUR FIREARM BEFORE LOADING AND FIRING IT. THE BASIC SAFETY RULES INCLUDE:

1. As with any precision tool, you must respect your firearm and thoroughly understand how to correctly operate and properly care for it before you ever use it. If you do not fully understand how this firearm operates or functions, or you have any question about its use after studying this manual, then before you use the firearm please call or write to us at Freedom Arms, or seek help from a qualified instructor.

2. Handle every firearm as if it were loaded. This precaution will help to keep focused in your mind the fact that this product, if improperly used or stored, is capable of causing serious bodily injury or death at any moment.

3. Always keep your firearm pointed in a safe direction to avoid injuring someone or damaging property due to an accidental or unintended firing. Always means just that: always. And keep this in mind when determining what is a safe direction: a bullet can and will ricochet off water or hard surfaces; a bullet can and will penetrate walls, floors, and windows. ALWAYS BE AWARE OF THE DIRECTION YOUR FIREARM IS POINTING. ALWAYS BE AWARE OF YOUR TARGET, AND WHAT IS BEHIND, ABOVE, BELOW OR TO THE SIDE OF THE TARGET.

4. Always keep your revolver unloaded until you are ready to fire it. Be sure your firearm is unloaded before handing it to another person, or before storing it, or whenever releasing it from your possession.

5. Before loading your revolver, we suggest that you remove the cylinder, then inspect the interior of the barrel and the cylinder as well as the visible operating parts to be sure they are clean and free of obstructions. Any obstruction in the barrel or
cylinder, including dirt, lint, excess oil, grease, snow, mud or virtually anything else that does not belong in the barrel or cylinder may, and likely will, result in a damaged firearm and serious injury to you or someone else.

6. **If, when firing, you hear a weak or abnormal sound, or experience a misfire, keep the barrel pointed in a safe direction for at least 30 seconds in case of a "hangfire". A "hangfire" refers to the situation when the cartridge does not fire immediately after the trigger is pulled and the hammer has fallen. After waiting 30 seconds unload all ammunition, remove the cylinder and check the barrel and cylinder for any obstruction.**

7. Use **only** top quality ammunition manufactured exactly for the cylinder and revolver you are shooting. Using poor quality ammunition, or ammunition which is not designed for your particular revolver, will damage the revolver and, more importantly, may cause serious injury or death to you or someone else.

8. **Never** keep a live cartridge in the chamber in line with the firing pin until you are ready to shoot at your target. **Never** place or carry your revolver in the holster with a live cartridge in the chamber in line with the firing pin. In the field **never** handle or carry your revolver with a live cartridge in the chamber in line with the firing pin unless you intend at that moment to shoot.

9. **Never** fully cock the hammer of your revolver until you have aimed at the target and are ready to fire.

10. **Never** place your finger in the trigger guard unless you intend at that moment to fire the revolver.

11. When shooting **always** use safety glasses for your eyes and noise protection for your ears. Failure to use these protective devices may result in serious and permanent injury to you.
12. Any bystander must **always stand** well behind you when you are shooting. Very hot gases and solid particles escape from the front of the cylinder and in a sideways direction as well, and at very high velocity. Therefore, it is your responsibility to protect yourself and everyone around you by insisting that no one stands in front of you or just to the side while you are shooting. Any bystander **must** also be using eye and ear protection.

13. The proper storage of your firearm is as important to personal safety as every other basic rule of gun safety. Store your firearm out of sight. It must be inaccessible to children and visitors. It should be stored in a locked cabinet or compartment. It must be unloaded. Ammunition should be stored separately.

14. If you do something physically dangerous, or something physically complicated, while you are handling or carrying a firearm, you literally take your life (or the life of someone else) in your hands. **Do not climb a tree or a fence while carrying a loaded firearm. Do not jump across anything while carrying a loaded firearm.** Use your head. Injury from an accidental or unintended firing is always preventable. By you!

15. Never place or carry a loaded firearm in a vehicle.

16. **Never** handle a firearm if you are drinking, or have recently consumed, an alcoholic beverage. Alcohol, any alcohol, even a little alcohol, negatively affects your judgment. Don't be reckless. The rule is if you shoot, don't drink; and if you drink, don't shoot.

17. Of course, the exact same rule applies to your use of drugs or medications while handling a firearm. **Never** do it.
18. An inexperienced shooter must first receive competent instruction in holding and firing the Freedom Arms revolver before ever loading it.

19. For carrying the Freedom Arms revolver, select a holster which securely holds and protects the revolver. We recommend that you use a Freedom Arms holster or other similar top quality holster specifically designed for this Freedom Arms revolver, and which is equipped with a retention strap that fits securely over the hammer and holds the firearm securely in place. This will keep brush, branches and other objects from unintentionally cocking the hammer. The strap has a definite purpose; always keep the strap fastened in place whenever the firearm is in your holster. Failure to do this may result in an accidental or unintended firing.

A PATENTED SAFETY HAS BEEN BUILT INTO YOUR FREEDOM ARMS REVOLVER. HOWEVER, YOU MUST NEVER TOTALLY RELY UPON THIS OR ANY OTHER MECHANICAL SAFETY AS BEING FOOLPROOF. THE INJURY-FREE USE OF THIS REVOLVER IS DIRECTLY DEPENDENT ON YOUR INTELLIGENT, FOCUSED AND DISCIPLINED USE OF THE FIREARM.

HAMMER OPERATION

ALWAYS KEEP THE BARREL OF YOUR REVOLVER POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION WHETHER IT IS LOADED OR EMPTY.

Your Freedom Arms Model 1997 Mid Frame Revolver is a single-action revolver. This means that the hammer of the revolver must be drawn fully back or "cocked" before each shot is fired. This revolver has 3 distinct hammer positions: (a) safety; (b) half-cock; and (c) full-cock. (See Figures 1 through 3) To ensure your own protection, and to keep from possibly
injuring others, you must practice and become familiar with each of these hammer positions **BEFORE** loading your revolver.

**SAFETY POSITION** - In this position, the hammer is fully forward resting against the receiver, **and the trigger is fully released** (See Figure 1). When the hammer is in this position, the trigger cannot be pulled all the way back. **Do not** try to force the trigger all the way back as this can damage the trigger or the transfer bar.

![Figure 1 -- Safety Position](image)

**CAUTION:** **EVEN IF THE HAMMER IS FULLY FORWARD,** **IF THE TRIGGER IS BEING SQUEEZED AND A LIVE CARTRIDGE IS IN THE CHAMBER IN LINE WITH THE FIRING PIN,** THE REVOLVER COULD FIRE IF THE HAMMER IS STRUCK WITH SUFFICIENT FORCE. **THE TRIGGER MUST BE RELEASED AND THE HAMMER FULLY FORWARD TO ENGAGE THE SAFETY.**
**TRANSFER BAR** - Your Freedom Arms Model 1997 Mid Frame Revolver is equipped with a patented transfer bar. The transfer bar operates in conjunction with the safety feature of your revolver. The transfer bar is seated in the front of the hammer and moves slightly up and slightly down within the hammer. When the revolver is in the Full-Cock position and the trigger is squeezed, the transfer bar is held in the up position by this motion of the trigger. The energy of the falling hammer is then transmitted through the transfer bar to the firing pin, causing the revolver to discharge the loaded cartridge directly under the fallen hammer. (Patents¹ apply)

The safety engages when the hammer is brought fully forward and the trigger is released. In this position the transfer bar is situated in the down position, below the firing pin, allowing the hammer to rest against the receiver without touching the firing pin. **So long as the trigger is being squeezed the transfer bar remains in the up position and the revolver is not in safety.**

To place the revolver in safety from either the Half-Cock position or the Full-Cock position:

1. Securely grip the hammer with your thumb, then pull the hammer back slightly.

2. Squeeze the trigger, and while keeping the trigger pulled, bring the hammer **slowly** forward until it rests against the receiver, then release the trigger. (See Figure 1).

**NOTE:** When a cartridge is in the chamber in line with the firing pin, and the hammer is brought fully forward **while the trigger remains squeezed,** the hammer will not come to rest fully forward against the receiver. There will be a slight gap between the hammer and the receiver. Once the trigger is released the transfer bar slides down below the firing pin, and then the hammer moves fully forward against the receiver. If
the hammer fails to move forward after the trigger is released, the transfer bar spring may be damaged. If so, unload the revolver and send it to Freedom Arms for inspection.

The transfer bar in the Freedom Arms Model 1997 Mid Frame Revolver is different than in any other type of single action revolver because it is not attached to the trigger, as it may be in other single action revolvers. Therefore, the feel of the trigger pull in the Freedom Arms Model 1997 Revolver is not affected when the hammer is in the Full Cock position and the trigger is squeezed.

**FULL-COCK POSITION** - In this position the hammer is as far back as it can go. (See Figure 2) When the hammer is in this position, pulling the trigger will cause the hammer to fall and strike the firing pin, which will in turn cause the revolver to fire if a loaded cartridge is in the chamber in line with the firing pin.

![Figure 2 -- Full-Cock Position](image)
NEVER PLACE THE HAMMER IN THE FULL-COCK POSITION UNLESS YOU INTEND TO FIRE THE REVOLVER AT THAT MOMENT.

NEVER CARRY THE REVOLVER WITH THE HAMMER IN THE FULL-COCK POSITION - IF DROPPED OR STRUCK WITH SUFFICIENT FORCE WHILE IN THE FULL-COCK POSITION THE REVOLVER MAY ACCIDENTALLY DISCHARGE.

The hammer can be placed in the Full-Cock position by performing the following steps:

1. Securely grip the hammer with your thumb. Keep your finger out of the trigger guard.
2. Pull the hammer back as far as it will go. You will hear a click as the hammer passes through the half-cock position, then a separate double click as the hammer reaches the full-cock position.
3. After you hear the double click slowly remove your thumb from the hammer. The hammer is now locked in the Full-Cock position. (See Figure 2).

BE CERTAIN THAT THE HAMMER IS LOCKED IN THE FULL-COCK POSITION BEFORE RELEASING THE HAMMER FROM YOUR GRIP.

If the hammer will not remain in the Full-Cock position, carefully lower the hammer fully forward, then draw it back to the Half-Cock position, unload all cartridges, and either send the revolver to Freedom Arms or take it to a qualified gunsmith for inspection.

It is extremely important when bringing the hammer forward from the Full-Cock position that you do so very slowly and with your thumb very securely gripping the hammer. If your thumb slips from the hammer while your finger is still
squeezing the trigger, the revolver may accidentally discharge. This is yet one more very good reason why it is so important to always keep the revolver pointed in a safe direction.

**HALF-COCK POSITION** - In this position, the hammer is located midway between the Safety position and the Full-Cock position. (See Figure 3). Use this hammer position ONLY for loading and unloading the revolver. In the Half-Cock position, the trigger will not move. Do not attempt to force the trigger when the hammer is in this position as the trigger or hammer could become damaged by such action.

![Figure 3 -- Half-Cock Position](image)

After loading/unloading the revolver, the hammer must be brought fully forward and then the cylinder rotated slightly until it locks in place. If the hammer is moved from the Half-Cock position to the Full-Cock position without first bringing the hammer fully forward, the cylinder chamber and the barrel may become misaligned.
To place the hammer in the Half-Cock position from the Safety position:

1. Securely grip the hammer with your thumb.
2. Keeping your finger out of the trigger guard, slowly pull the hammer back approximately half way between the Safety position and the Full-Cock position. As the hammer is drawn back you will hear an audible click as the trigger drops into the half cock notch in the hammer. (If you do not hear the click, you must immediately unload the revolver and either send it to Freedom Arms or take it to a qualified gunsmith for inspection. **Do not** continue to use the revolver as the trigger spring may be damaged, potentially resulting in a dangerous condition.)
3. After you hear the click slowly let the hammer forward until it engages in the Half-Cock position. (See Figure 3).

**BE CERTAIN THAT THE HAMMER IS LOCKED IN THE HALF-COCK POSITION BEFORE RELEASING IT FROM YOUR GRIP.**

To place the hammer in the Half-Cock position from the Full-Cock position:

1. Securely grip the hammer with your thumb.
2. While keeping a secure grip on the hammer gently pull the trigger and allow the hammer to move forward slightly. As the hammer begins to move forward immediately remove your finger from the trigger guard and continue letting the hammer down slowly until the hammer locks in the Half-Cock position. (See Figure 3)
Freedom Arms
Model 97 Single Action
Revolver
Part Explosion

Item No.    Name
1.   Receiver
2.   Grip Frame
3.   Frame Screw (left bottom rear (1 ea.)
4.   Frame Screws (3 ea.)
5.   Escutcheon, Right Grip.

7.   Grip Screw
8.   Barrel
9.   Ejector Tube
10.  Ejector Rod
11.  Ejector Tab
12.  Ejector Spring
13.  Ejector Tube Screw
14.  Recoil Lug
15.  Cylinder
17.  Cylinder Axis Pin
18.  Cylinder Axis Pin Screw
19.  Cylinder Lock
20.  Cylinder Lock Axis Pin
21.  Cylinder Lock Spring
22.  Cylinder Hand
23.  Hand Spring
24.  Hand Plunger
25.  Hand Pin
26.  Loading Gate
27.  Loading Gate Spring
28.  Loading Gate Plunger
29.  Loading Gate Screw
30. Trigger
31. Trigger Pin
32. Trigger Spring
33. Hammer
34. Transfer Bar
35. Transfer Bar Spring
36. Transfer Bar Lifting Pin
38. Hammer Axis Pin
39. Hammer Roller
40. Hammer Roller Axis Pin
41. Main Spring
44. Plunger
45. Plunger Spring
47. Firing Pin
48. Firing Pin Spring
49. Front Sight Fixed
50. Grip, Right
51. Grip, Left
52. Hammer Axis Pin Retainer
53. Hammer Axis Retaining Spring
55. Grip Locating Pin
56. Rear Sight Base
57. Rear Sight Slide
61. Windage Lock Screw
62. Sight Base Hold Down Screw
63. Elevation Screw
64. Front Sight Ramp
65. Front Sight Blade
66. Front Sight Blade Retaining Screw
70. Frame Screw (1 ea.)
73. Rear Sight Slide Clamp
75. Firing Pin Retainer

Note: Some parts require factory replacement and/or fitting only, and are unavailable for sale.
BE CERTAIN THAT THE HAMMER IS LOCKED IN THE HALF-COCK POSITION BEFORE RELEASING IT FROM YOUR GRIP.

LOADING

TO LOAD THE REVOLVER:

1. Lower the hammer fully forward to the Safety position then pull it back to the Half-Cock position. This sequence allows the cylinder to rotate. The cylinder may now be rotated manually in a clockwise direction. You will feel a slight resistance as you rotate the cylinder, and you will hear a clicking sound as each chamber cycles past the firing pin.

2. Use your thumb to open the loading gate by swinging it out to the right until it stops.

3. **When loading the cylinder you must ALWAYS leave one chamber empty, and that empty chamber should ALWAYS be in line with the firing pin when finished loading.** Here is one method of accomplishing this:
   (a) Make certain that the cylinder is completely empty.
   (b) Place a cartridge in the exposed chamber just to the left of the loading gate.
   (c) Skip the next chamber.
   (d) Load the rest of the chambers.
   (e) After loading the chambers in this manner, the first loaded chamber will swing into view just to the left of the open loading gate. When that first loaded chamber swings fully into view, the empty chamber will be at the top of the cylinder in line with the firing pin.

4. Close the loading gate.

5. Lower hammer to safety position.

THE LOADING GATE MUST BE FULLY CLOSED BEFORE FIRING THE REVOLVER. IF YOU FIRE THE REVOLVER WITH THE LOADING GATE OPEN YOU
WILL SERIOUSLY INJURE YOURSELF OR SOMEONE ELSE AS A RESULT OF THE HOT GASES AND THE CARTRIDGE WHICH WILL BE EXPPELED IN YOUR DIRECTION THROUGH THE EXPOSED CHAMBER. SO ALWAYS CLOSE THE LOADING GATE BEFORE FIRING.

UNLOADING

TO UNLOAD THE REVOLVER:

1. Lower the hammer to the Safety position.
2. With your thumb securely gripping the hammer, pull it back to the Half-Cock position. This sequence allows the cylinder to rotate. You will hear a click. Allow the hammer to come slightly forward, locking into the Half-Cock position.
3. Open the loading gate.
4. Push the ejector tab (located under the barrel) toward the cylinder to eject the cartridge or case from the cylinder. Repeat until each chamber is empty, then rotate the cylinder completely around one time checking each chamber to verify that it is unloaded.
5. Lower hammer to safety position.

FIRING YOUR REVOLVER

WARNING: Discharging firearms in poorly ventilated areas, cleaning firearms, or handling ammunition may result in exposure to lead and other substances known to cause birth defects, reproductive harm, and other serious physical injury. Have adequate ventilation at all times. Wash hands thoroughly after exposure.

An inexperienced shooter must first receive competent instruction in holding the revolver before ever firing it. We recommend that you:
1. Hold the revolver using a two-handed grip. Figure 4 shows one type of two-handed grip.

NEVER PLACE YOUR HAND, OR FINGER, OR ANY OTHER PORTION OF YOUR BODY, IN FRONT OF THE CYLINDER BECAUSE GASES ESCAPING FROM THE FRONT OF THE CYLINDER WILL INJURE YOU.

![Figure 4 -- Two-Handed Grip](image)

2. First make sure the revolver is pointed in a safe direction. Fully extend your arms out in front of your body and lock your elbows in this position. Then sight the target, place your finger in the trigger guard, and fire the revolver, making sure your elbows remain locked while the revolver is recoiling. As the revolver is fired it will move upward and back toward your head. This is known as "recoil". Properly using the method described here will enable you to comfortably handle the recoil.

To fire the revolver:
(a) Make sure that the revolver is pointed in a safe direction.
(b) Securely grasp the firearm grip, and then extend your arms in front of your body, locking your elbows.
(c) Sight the target.
(d) Pull the hammer back until it locks in the Full-Cock position.
(e) Gently squeeze the trigger.

**RECOMMENDED METHOD FOR CARRYING YOUR LOADED FREEDOM ARMS REVOLVER**

**NEVER CARRY A LOADED REVOLVER UNLESS YOU ARE READY TO USE IT.**

Before carrying a loaded revolver we recommend that you:

1. Place the hammer in the Half-Cock position and open the loading gate.
2. Make certain that the cylinder is completely empty, then place a loaded cartridge in the exposed chamber.
3. Skip the next chamber, and then load the rest of the chambers.
4. After loading the revolver in this manner, the first chamber which you loaded will swing into view just to the left of the open loading gate. When that first loaded chamber is fully in view the empty chamber will be at the top of the cylinder in line with the firing pin.
5. Close the loading gate.
6. Lower the hammer fully forward and release the trigger. The revolver is now engaged in the Safety position.
7. Rotate the cylinder slightly until it locks in place. Be certain that the empty chamber has remained at the top of the cylinder in line with the firing pin.
8. Place the revolver in your Freedom Arms holster and securely attach the hammer strap.
9. Go have fun, always remembering that the safe handling of your Freedom Arms Model 1997 Mid Frame Revolver
requires your intelligent, focused and disciplined use of this firearm, and always requires that you faithfully observe all of the basic rules of gun safety. **USE YOUR HEAD.**

**CAUTION:** If at any time the hammer is bumped, moved or otherwise partially cocked, as for instance by brush, limbs or any other object accidentally touching the hammer, you must immediately place the hammer in the Half-Cock position, open the loading gate and make certain that the empty chamber is aligned on the top of the cylinder in line with the firing pin.

**REMOVING AND RE-INSTALLING THE CYLINDER**

To remove the cylinder for cleaning or inspection:

1. Make certain that the cylinder is unloaded. **Never ever attempt to remove the cylinder while it contains any live ammunition.** This is very dangerous.
2. Bring the hammer fully forward to the Safety position, then pull it back to the Half-Cock position.
3. Make certain that the loading gate is closed.
4. Remove the screw from the head of the cylinder axis pin located under the barrel next to the receiver.
5. Grip the head of the cylinder axis pin and slide it all the way forward until it touches the ejector tab.
6. Open the loading gate, and remove the cylinder from the loading gate side of the revolver with a rolling clockwise motion. Do not force the cylinder out of the revolver as this may result in scratching or other damage to the cylinder.

**To reinstall the cylinder:**

1. Make certain that the cylinder is unloaded.
2. Bring the hammer fully forward to the Safety position, then pull it back to the Half-Cock position.
3. Make certain that the loading gate is open, and the cylinder axis pin is touching the ejector tab.
4. Install the cylinder from the loading gate side of the revolver with a rolling counter-clockwise motion. Do not force the cylinder into the revolver as this may result in scratching or other damage to the cylinder.
5. Close the loading gate.
6. Properly align the cylinder so that the cylinder axis pin slides back into place resting against the receiver. Install the screw in the cylinder axis pin and tighten securely.
7. Place the hammer in the safety position.

CLEANING YOUR REVOLVER

The following steps are recommended for cleaning your Freedom Arms revolver:

NEVER CLEAN YOUR REVOLVER UNTIL YOU HAVE MADE CERTAIN THAT IT IS UNLOADED.

1. Remove the cylinder.
2. Dip a brass wire-bristle brush into a quality gun cleaning solvent and then scrub the interior of the barrel and cylinder chambers. Do not reverse the direction of the brush while the bristles are in the barrel interior or in any of the chambers. This will damage the interior surfaces of the revolver. Always push the bristles all the way through the barrel, or all the way through any chamber, until they are fully through and out the other side, before reversing the direction of the bristles.
3. Using a brass tipped cleaning rod covered with a soft, clean cloth patch, clean the barrel interior and each chamber in the cylinder, changing the cloth frequently until the last patch comes out clean.
4. Place a very thin coat of oil in the barrel interior, and in each chamber in the cylinder, and on all external metal parts. Do not allow excessive oil to remain in any of the cylinder chambers or in the barrel interior. Excessive oil will cause damage to your revolver, and may ultimately result in injury to you or to someone else.

5. It is important to frequently clean and lightly lubricate the cylinder axis pin. Failure to do so will eventually cause the cylinder to become difficult to turn when using the revolver.

6. After cleaning and lubricating, reinstall the cylinder, then check each screw to insure it is tight.

CAUTION: This revolver is constructed of high quality stainless steel. It is important to remember that the steel used in this revolver is rust resistant, not rust proof. Freedom Arms recommends that you frequently clean the exterior metal surfaces of your revolver with a quality gun cleaning solvent, and periodically wipe the exterior metal surfaces with a lightly oiled cloth in order to maintain the handsome appearance of its original finish.

OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR FREEDOM ARMS REVOLVER

1. The front sight on the fixed sight revolver has been left high for you to file down to your individual sighting preference.

2. All exterior screws should be tightened periodically.

3. If the rotation of the cylinder becomes sluggish or sticky, this condition is frequently caused by the build-up of a powder residue between the cylinder and cylinder axis pin. The cylinder axis pin and related holes should be periodically cleaned and lightly oiled with a quality gun oil.
4. Freedom Arms recommends that you **do not dry-fire** your revolver, as this may damage the firing pin. Freedom Arms has snap caps available for each center-fire caliber.

5. Use only top quality commercially manufactured ammunition in your revolver.

6. Use only ammunition which is specifically manufactured for the cylinder in the revolver. For example, ".38 Special" ammunition should not be fired in a cylinder which is chambered for "357 Magnum" ammunition. Using ammunition for which your cylinder is not properly chambered will result in the build up of excess residue in the cylinder chambers, potentially causing a cartridge case to stick in the chamber and thereby causing a dangerous increase in pressures within the cylinder.

7. Do not use reloaded ammunition in your Freedom Arms revolver. Reloaded ammunition may damage your firearm, or may cause serious injury to you or someone else. Using reloaded ammunition in your Freedom Arms revolver will void your warranty.

8. **Never attempt to "fan" or otherwise rapidly cock a Freedom Arms revolver, as doing so may cause damage to the cylinder or firing pin and will void your warranty.**

9. A key factor in the superb accuracy of your Freedom Arms revolver involves the close fit of the cartridge in the cylinder chamber. You must always use clean, high quality ammunition in your Freedom Arms revolver. Some cartridges may require slight manual assistance to seat properly in a cylinder chamber. Very clean cylinder chambers are essential for the proper and reliable functioning of your Freedom Arms revolver.

10. With the purchase of your Freedom Arms revolver you may rest assured that you now own a top quality product which has been designed and manufactured to perform in a very reliable manner. You must not make any unauthorized alteration or modification of this firearm. Not only will that void the warranty, but it very likely will
result in making this firearm unsafe to you and those around you. If a Freedom Arms revolver is returned to us for warranty work, for repair, or for any other reason, and we reasonably determine that the revolver has been altered or modified in a manner which renders the revolver unsafe, the revolver will not be returned until we have corrected the alteration or modification at customer expense.

**LIMITED WARRANTY**

Freedom Arms hereby warrants to the original retail purchaser of the Freedom Arms Single Action Revolver, that the firearm purchased shall be free from defects in material and workmanship under normal use and service for the period specified below:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Revolver Model</th>
<th>Limited Warranty Period</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Premier Grade</td>
<td>Duration of ownership by original retail purchaser</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Wear caused by normal use over time is not covered by this warranty. The term "original retail purchaser" means the person who first purchased the firearm in a new and unused condition from a retail dealer. This limited warranty shall become void and shall no longer apply to any Freedom Arms Single Action Revolver: (1) which has been altered or modified in any way, or (2) upon which there have been repairs not specifically authorized by Freedom Arms, or (3) which Freedom Arms reasonably determines has been the subject of misuse, negligence, improper care, accident, or excessive or extraordinary wear, or (4) which has been sold, transferred, assigned or otherwise disposed of by the original retail purchaser.
In the event that any defect in material or workmanship occurs or appears within the warranty period, the original retail purchaser shall contact Freedom Arms, No. 1 Freedom Lane, P.O. Box 150, Freedom Wyoming 83120, (307) 833-2468, within ten days after the first appearance or occurrence of such defect. Upon notification, Freedom Arms shall advise the original retail purchaser of the appropriate action to be taken in order to remedy the defect. If requested to do so by Freedom Arms, the original retail purchaser shall, at his own expense, return the firearm to Freedom Arms, in Freedom, Wyoming. In the event that the defect in material or workmanship occurred within the warranty period, and in the further event that the warranty has not become void or inapplicable by one or more of the reasons specified above, and Freedom Arms received proper and timely notice, then Freedom Arms, at its discretion, shall repair the firearm at its own cost, and shall also at its own cost return the firearm to the original retail purchaser. All repairs to a defective firearm covered under this limited warranty shall be undertaken only at the Freedom Arms headquarters in Freedom, Wyoming, unless specific written authorization is first received from Freedom Arms authorizing the repair of the firearm at another facility.

As an additional condition of this limited warranty, the original purchaser shall, within thirty days after they have purchased the firearm from the retail dealer, complete the Warranty Registration Card provided to him at the time of his purchase of the firearm, and mail it to Freedom Arms at the address appearing on the card. The fulfillment of this additional condition is required to validate the warranty coverage described herein.

If any customized work is done on any Freedom Arms revolver other than by Freedom Arms, then this limited warranty shall become void and of no further force and effect.
The failure of the original retail purchaser to timely comply with the responsibilities/conditions imposed upon him by the terms of this limited warranty, shall relieve Freedom Arms of any obligation with regard to any defect otherwise covered under the terms of this limited warranty. Any questions regarding the proper procedures to be followed under the terms of this warranty should be directed to Freedom Arms in writing or by telephone.

Any and all liabilities or obligations of Freedom Arms arising from the manufacture, sale, or use of any firearm covered under the terms of this limited warranty shall terminate upon the expiration of the specified warranty period or sooner upon the occurrence of one of the conditions set forth previously in this limited warranty.

Freedom Arms assumes no liabilities or obligations other than those expressly set forth in this limited warranty, and no other person or entity is authorized to assume any other obligation or liability on behalf of Freedom Arms in connection with any firearm manufactured by it.

SEE LIMITATIONS ON IMPLIED WARRANTIES, NEXT PAGE.
LIMITATIONS ON IMPLIED WARRANTIES

THIS WRITTEN LIMITED WARRANTY IS MADE EXPRESSLY IN LIEU OF ANY OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED IN FACT OR BY LAW, INCLUDING ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, AND IS IN LIEU OF ANY OTHER OBLIGATION OR LIABILITY OF ANY NATURE WHATSOEVER ON THE PART OF FREEDOM ARMS TO ANYONE BY REASON OF THE MANUFACTURE AND/OR USE OF ANY FIREARM MANUFACTURED BY IT. THERE ARE NO WARRANTIES WHICH EXTEND BEYOND THE PERIOD DESCRIBED IN THIS LIMITED WARRANTY. ANY AND ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES SPECIFICALLY ARISING UNDER AND REQUIRED BY LAW ARE HEREBY EXPRESSLY LIMITED IN DURATION TO THE WARRANTY PERIOD SET FORTH IN THIS LIMITED WARRANTY.

1 Portions of this revolver are protected by U.S. Patent Numbers 5,625,970, 5,664,356, 5,673,506, and other foreign patents pending. Also protected by German Patent Number 196 23 474.

Freedom Arms is a registered trademark of Freedom Arms Inc.
PLEASE RECORD YOUR CHAMBER LOCK KEY NUMBER