



American Arms, Inc.



P98 INSTRUCTION MANUAL

Please read carefully and thoroughly. Familiarize yourself with the function of your firearm before loading or shooting. If you are unsure, seek knowledgeable instruction before attempting to use gun.

GUN SAFETY RULES

Please read and observe these safety guidelines before handling your gun:

- Be sure that the barrel is clear of any obstructions before loading. Make it a habit to check the barrel every time before reloading.*
- Store guns and ammunition separately, beyond the reach of children.*
- Never climb a fence, or jump a ditch, with a loaded gun. Open the action, remove the shells, and hand the gun to a friend or place it on the ground on the other side of the obstacle before crossing it yourself.*
- Never place a loaded gun into a vehicle or lean the gun against any object. The gun should be emptied and placed into a case when not in use.*
- Keep safety on at all times. Move to "Off" position only when you are sure that a shot is imminent.*
- While loading or unloading, make sure that the gun is pointed in a safe direction. Keep finger off trigger while operating the action.*
- Treat every gun as if it is loaded—it may be!*
- Watch the muzzle at all times: never point the gun, accidentally or while horseplaying, at anything you do not want to shoot. Identify the target before shooting; do not shoot at sounds.*
- Avoid alcoholic beverages before or during shooting.*
- If you do not thoroughly understand the proper use and care of your gun, seek the advice of someone you know is competent.*
- Don't abuse your gun or your hunting/shooting privileges. Both can be taken away from us due to public pressure against "slnh" hunters*

DIAGRAM A



P98

Technical Data

CALIBER:	.22 LR High Velocity
MAGAZINE:	8 rounds
FINISH:	Blue/Black
BBL. LENGTH:	5"
FULL LENGTH:	8 $\frac{1}{8}$ "
WEIGHT:	26 oz.

1. SAFETY FEATURES

- A. The P-98 is equipped with a manual hammer block safety located on the left side of the slide at the rear. (See diagram A). When the safety is "ON" (red dot NOT visible and/or lever pointing downward) it blocks the hammer from reaching the firing pin to prevent the pistol from firing. With the safety engaged, the hammer and trigger will still function; however, the hammer is blocked from striking the firing pin.
- B. The P-98 is also equipped with a magazine disconnect. This safety feature disengages the trigger and hammer when the magazine is removed from the pistol.

2. INSTRUCTION FOR USE OF AMERICAN ARMS SELFLOADING PISTOL MODEL P-98

- A. Be sure the safety is "ON" (red dot NOT visible and/or lever pointing downward) at all times, and have the gun pointed in a safe direction.
- B. Remove magazine by pushing magazine release button to the rear (see diagram A) with your thumb and pull magazine down and out of the pistol. Load the magazine with American made Hi-Velocity .22LR ammo and insert it back into your P-98.
- C. Pull slide fully to the rear and release. This will cock the hammer and chamber the first round from the magazine.
- D. The pistol is now ready to fire. With the pistol pointed in a safe direction, disengage the safety (red dot visible and/or lever in horizontal position) and pull the trigger.
- E. The pistol will selfload subsequent rounds from the magazine until it is empty, at which time the slide will

lock open. To reload, remove magazine, reload magazine with American made high velocity .22LR ammo and replace. Slide can be released by the lever on the left side of the pistol just below the slide (see diagram A). Depress the lever with your thumb. The slide will close, chambering a live round of ammo making the pistol ready to fire.

The Model P-98 function best with high velocity .22LR ammunition loaded to American standards.

Point of impact will vary with manufacturer and type of ammunition. As with any fixed sight handgun, alteration of the sight picture may be required to compensate for the varied ballistics of each ammunition.

3. DISASSEMBLY AND ASSEMBLY

- A. To disassemble the P-98 first put the safety "ON" (red dot NOT visible and/or lever pointing downward). Remove magazine, depress the locking lever (left front side of frame) to a vertical position. Pull trigger guard down. Pull the slide fully to the rear and lift the rear of the slide above the frame. Move the slide slowly forward and off the frame. CAUTION: Note position of recoil spring and spring bar as slide is removed. Any further disassembly is not necessary for normal maintenance and may void warranty.
- B. Assembly is performed by reversing the disassembly procedure. Caution should be used when replacing recoil spring and bar. The spring bar must be positioned in the spring. The spring is then placed back into position in the frame. Locate the pointed end of the spring bar into the recess on the inside of the slide. Replace slide re-

verse of disassembly, taking care that the recoil spring and spring bar are properly located.

4. CLEANING

- A. To avoid malfunctions be sure to clean the pistol after each shooting.
- B. The P-98 should be lubricated with light gun oil only. Do not use grease of any type.

5. PRECAUTIONS

- A. Always carry the pistol uncocked, with an empty chamber, and with the safety "ON." Never point the pistol at anything you don't intend to shoot, even if the pistol is unloaded. To uncock the pistol, put the pistol in the safe position (red dot NOT visible and/or lever pointing downward) with your thumb on the hammer, release hammer by pulling the trigger while lowering the hammer gently with your thumb.

CAUTION: All safety devices are mechanical devices and can fail. Always point pistol in a safe direction. Always restrict the fall of the hammer with your thumb for safety reasons.

- B. Always wear shooting glasses and hearing protection when you shoot. Exposure to shooting noise can damage hearing. Adequate vision protection when shooting is essential.
- C. The American Arms P-98 is a double action pistol. Pulling the trigger with the safety disengaged will result in the discharge of the round of ammunition in the chamber.

- D. **ALTERATION WARNING:** American Arms, Inc., will not be responsible for any alteration of any part of this firearm after it leaves our control, or for the addition or substitution of parts or accessories not manufactured by American Arms, Inc. This product was designed to function properly in its original condition. Do not jeopardize your safety or the safety of others by making modifications to your firearm.
- E. Any selfloading pistol may malfunction. To minimize malfunctions please do the following:
1. If it appears that the jam was caused by the type of ammunition being used, try another brand, type, or lot number.
 2. If changing ammunition does not at once result in smooth feeding of cartridges from magazine to chamber, then the following steps should be taken:
 - a. Thoroughly clean the pistol, paying particular attention to the removal of accumulated grease and dirt. Use a bristle brush and solvent to remove grease and fouling from the breech face, extractor, chamber and feed ramp area immediately behind the chamber.
 - b. Check to be sure that the magazine spring firmly returns the magazine follower to the top of the magazine.
 - c. Check the magazine lips to be certain that they are free of nicks and burrs and that they are not deformed or cracked.
 - d. If none of the above steps is effective, try a different magazine of American Arms, Inc. manufacture. If new magazine does not function correctly, return the pistol and magazine to American Arms, Inc.

PARTS

To order parts, please furnish the following: Your name, address, telephone number, serial number, make and model.

When we receive your request, we will send an order form and a parts breakdown with prices.

P98 PISTOL

PART NO.	SPARE PARTS	PART NO.	SPARE PARTS
8826	Breech block catch link	8832	Countersunk screw
4435	Breech block catch link spring	8833	Pair of grip plates
8802	Trigger guard	7421	Grip plate screw
8803	Locking lever for trigger guard	7421	Grip plate screw
7138	Spring		
7431	Steel ball	8834	Slide
2334	Cylindrical pin	7423	Extractor
8804	Trigger	7424	Extractor pin
8827	Cylindrical pin	2308	Extractor spring
8828	Set screw	8835	Firing pin
8829	Trigger bar	5544	Firing pin spring
7538	Trigger bar spring	8812	Cylindrical pin
6507	Sear	8839	Safety lever
6503	Cylindrical pin	7111	Safety lever spring
8806	Hammer	7431	Steel ball
8571	Cylindrical pin	8836	Rear sight blade
8807	Main spring guide rod	2350	Spring
6532	Main spring	8837	Rear sight windage screw
7417	Cylindrical pin		
8830	Magazine catch	8815	Recoil spring
7419	Cylindrical pin	8816	Spring bar
8831	Magazine safety lever	8838	Magazine
7208	Spring		

BE COURTEOUS

When shooting or hunting always acquire the permission of the landowner. Respect the land. Do not litter, use gates when possible, leave open gates open and closed gates closed. Drive vehicles only where advance permission has been granted and always express gratitude for use of another person's land. Offer your labor or game as repayment for the privilege of use. Remember, you are helping develop a reputation



PLEASE: Always state the spare parts and component number in your order.

STORAGE

Clean thoroughly and oil your gun before storage. Store gun in a case to prevent scratches and dents. Store in a dry place to prevent corrosion. Store away from children and other undesired curious individuals. Make sure gun is unloaded and store ammunition separately.

SERVICE

American Arms, Inc. agrees to service its products free of charge for defects in materials and workmanship in accordance with the service agreement listed below. The obligation of American Arms under this agreement is limited to the repair or replacement of unserviceable parts and does not cover any incidental or consequential damages. Other than the express warranty contained herein American Arms makes no warranties, express or implied.

American Arms, Inc. will repair or replace any unserviceable part(s) for one (1) year from date of purchase in accordance with the above warranty statement provided your firearm has not been altered, abused, willfully damaged, or damaged by overpressure ammunition.

This agreement is not transferable; its benefits apply only to the original purchaser.

To obtain free service during the time this agreement is in effect, make sure your firearm is unloaded, and take or send it to your nearest authorized American Arms dealer or send it to American Arms, Inc.

This agreement and the warranties contained herein are void if your registration card is not received with a copy of your sales slip within 30 days from date of purchase.

SHIPPING

When returning your gun for service please take care in packing your gun. Wrap in paper or other protective media and place gun in the original box. (THIS BOX WILL PROTECT THE GUN, BUT IS NOT DESIGNED FOR SHIPPING). Wrap box in a cardboard box of approved interstate shipping strength. American Arms is not responsible for damage incurred during shipping.

Ship the firearm prepaid to:

American Arms, Inc.
715 EAST ARMOUR ROAD
NORTH KANSAS CITY
MISSOURI 64116

PURCHASER'S RECORD

Model Number _____

Purchase Date _____

Gauge or Caliber _____

Serial Number _____

Purchase Price _____

Store Name _____

All correspondence regarding **service, spare parts or repairs** should be directed to:

American Arms, Inc.
715 E. ARMOUR RD.
N. KANSAS CITY
MISSOURI 64116

THANK YOU

Thank you for purchasing an American Arms pistol. We are sure this gun will bring you years of hunting and or shooting pleasure. Your satisfaction is the key to our success. Please let us know if we can be of service and please relay any observations about your gun's performance or appearance.



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