

Test Report:

The New

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In the March issue of ST you got a preview of the new 5mm Remington Rimfire Magnum. Since then, we have been testing a Model 591 bolt action rifle in that caliber. The M591 is a clip-fed magazine gun that holds four rounds in the plastic clip, but the new Remington chambering is also offered in the M592, a tubular repeater, that holds 10 of the new rounds.

Let me recap the warning that Remington sends along with the rifles: don't attempt to fire any 22 LR or any other ammo in either of the 5mm RFM models. Similarly, there is no other gun on the market that can be converted safely to fire the new Remington rim fire round.

The M591 weighs 4.75 lb without scope or ammo and overall length of the gun is 42.5". Barrel length is 23". The front sight is of the bead type but is rampless, while the rear sight is the same that is used on the Model 600. This sight is fully adjustable. The stock of the test gun is a plain piece of straight grained walnut — at least the stock on our test gun appears to be that although other stocks I have seen don't look like walnut — and the finish is of the non-glossy type.

The 5mm is a true 20 caliber, that is bullet diameter-mikes .2045", and the first problem was to get the bore of the gun cleaned and all the grease wiped out. The standard 22 caliber RF cleaning rod is of course too big and the 17 caliber rods required care-

At 25 ft., penetration into clay block was 2.75": (1) bullet, (2) jacket metal.

Identification on grip cap eliminates any problem in locating gun on crowded rack.



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Magnum