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# SAIGA



## SEMI AUTO FIREARMS INSTRUCTION MANUAL

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# EAA MODEL: SAIGA SEMI AUTO FIREARMS

## WARNING AND INSTRUCTION MANUAL PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS

MODEL #	BARREL LENGTH	CALIBERS	FINISH	TYPE
SAIGA	19",24",26",28"	12GA	BLUE / CAMO	SEMI AUTO
SAIGA	19",24",26",28"	20GA	BLUE / CAMO	SEMI AUTO
SAIGA	19",24",26",28"	410GA	BLUE / CAMO	SEMI AUTO
SAIGA	20"	7.62X39	BLUE / CAMO	SEMI AUTO
SAIGA	20"	308	BLUE / CAMO	SEMI AUTO

### GENERAL INFORMATION:

Weight (average) - 28" = 9.5 LBS.

Overall Length - 41" TO 52"

FOR YOUR SAFETY AND THE SAFETY OF OTHERS, this owner's manual contains important warnings and safety procedures which must be understood BEFORE using this firearm. Read the entire manual and if you do not understand any part it or the operation of your firearm, stop and seek professional firearms instructions. You can get a copy of this manual from European American Armory Corp. on request.

Record the serial number of your firearm # \_\_\_\_\_  
and a description of it: \_\_\_\_\_

Make a copy of this manual, proof of purchase/sales record for safekeeping in a secure safe or fireproof container. Such proof is necessary if the firearm is stolen or for warranty repair. Before handling any firearm, make sure you know the safety procedures and most importantly, keep the firearm pointed in a safe direction.

### WARNING

**\*\*YOU RISK INJURY OR DEATH BY HANDLING THIS FIREARM\*\***

Before handling this firearm, read, understand and follow the instructions in this manual. Always keep this manual with the firearm. If you lend, give or sell this firearm, be sure the manual goes with it. If there is anything you do not understand, seek advice from someone qualified in safe handling of firearms.

### WARNING

\*This firearm should always be transported unloaded in its case.\*

## **TYPE OF AMMUNITION TO BE USED**

It is suggested that high quality commercially manufactured ammunition be used in this firearm. Some factory ammunition works better than others and you should stick with the brand you find works well in your firearm. Avoid military surplus or hot loaded ammo. The use of reloaded, high pressure or hand loaded ammunition will void the warranty.

## **NOTICE**

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## **SAFETY PROCEDURES**

1. We recommend that you get competent firearms instruction in safe handling before using this firearm. Please ask your dealer. All guns are extremely dangerous if carelessly handled or used. Remember that the firearm user is the primary "safety" and to depend on any mechanical devices is to be only half safe.
2. This firearm will fire if a cartridge is in the chamber and the trigger is pulled and the safety is disengaged and the bolt is in the battery position.
3. DO NOT LOAD THIS FIREARM UNTIL YOU UNDERSTAND HOW THIS FIREARM OPERATES. KEEP this firearm unloaded at all times except when ready to fire and you are sure of your target.
4. ALWAYS carry this firearm in a case or original box unloaded.
5. NEVER point this firearm at anything that is not your intended target even if this firearm is unloaded. When loading, cleaning, unloading or handling, always be sure the muzzle is pointed in a safe direction and always keep your finger off the trigger.
6. NEVER assume any gun is unloaded. Before handling, check to make sure

the chamber is empty. See unloading Instructions and then unload any ammunition. Make sure you know that this or any firearm is fully unloaded before displaying or handling it. When handling any firearm, keep your fingers away from the trigger at all times until you intend to fire.

**7. WARNING:** The actual firearm does not contain any lead; however, it does fire ammunition containing lead or lead compounds known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, reproductive toxicity, and other serious physical injury. Those who discharge a firearm, stand near someone who discharges a firearm or cleans firearms are hereby warned of the dangers presented by lead and lead compounds and should take protective health measures. Avoid exposure to lead while handling and wash your hands after contact. Proper air ventilation is absolutely necessary when shooting indoors.

### **AMMUNITION WARNING**

Old, Hot-loaded and/or re-loaded ammunition may be dangerous. Because of the poor or nonexistent quality control standards among some companies or people who make reloaded ammunition and the dangers of overloads and under loads (squib loads) which may occur, we recommend that only good quality new factory ammunition be fired in our firearms. [If you prepare your own hand loads, do NOT exceed recommended pressures in line with those generated by standard factory loads as manufactured by Remington, Winchester, Federal, PMC or other reputable companies.] Old ammunition may not fire with sufficient force to expel the projectile from the barrel.

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Get instructions from a competent firearms instructor before using this or any firearm. Learn from a professional how to handle, load, unload, operate, fire and care for your gun.

**NEVER PLAY** with your firearm. It is not a toy and can be a very dangerous weapon that can cause serious personal injury or death.

Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction. Treat every gun as if it is loaded...all the time. **NEVER** point any firearm (loaded or unloaded) at any person or anything you do not intend to shoot. Always keep your gun unloaded until ready to use and make sure that it is unloaded before cleaning.

Keep your finger **OFF** the trigger until you are actually aiming at the target and ready to shoot. Learn to rest your finger outside of the trigger guard.

Never rely on a gun's "safety" to protect you from unsafe gun handling. A safety is only a mechanical device, not a substitute for common sense and gun safety procedures.

Never leave a gun unattended or where it could fall and fire.

Store guns and ammunition separately **beyond the reach of children**. Make

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sure that they are properly secured so untrained individuals and children will be denied access to your guns and ammo.

Test your gun's operation and safeties only at a shooting range while the firearm is pointed in a safe direction.

Know your target and what is beyond. Ask yourself what your bullet will hit if it misses the target or passes through the intended target. Remember, a fired projectile can travel over 1.5 miles (including a ricochet) and is capable of going through walls.

Guns and alcohol or drugs do not mix. Don't take any alcoholic beverages and/or drugs before or during shooting activities.

Never pull a gun toward you by the muzzle. Don't climb a tree, cross a ditch or fence with a loaded gun.

Always empty guns before entering a house, car, truck, boat, RV, camp or any building.

When receiving a gun, always open the bolt and check to make sure the chamber is unloaded.

NEVER accept anyone's word that a gun is "unloaded" or "empty". You should immediately open the action and check to make sure it is unloaded.

Be careful with ALL ammunition. Even "blank" cartridges are deadly at close range due to the muzzle blast. Make sure your ammunition is in new and in good clean condition. Do NOT oil or grease ammo as this may damage the cartridge primer. Do NOT tamper with or alter the standard factory ammunition.

Keep firearms unloaded when not actually in use. Load the gun only when on the range preparing to fire and unload it before leaving the range.

Never put your hand over the muzzle of a gun.

ALWAYS WEAR protective shooting glasses and hearing protection when using firearms.

Spectators should be at least 10 feet behind and away from the shooter while the shooter is loading, shooting and unloading. Spectators should wear protection for hearing and sight loss and they should avoid distracting those shooting their firearms.

Never drop your gun. If you do drop it, unload it and check it for proper function before using it again.

Do NOT alter or modify your gun. Don't try to change your gun's trigger pull, because it may affect sear engagement and thereby cause accidental firing.

Do NOT remove any internal safety or safety device on the firearm. Safety mechanisms are designed to protect you from injury or death.

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Do maintain and keep your gun clean. Keep in a dry place away from other metals and water. If your gun shows sign of corrosion or improper operation, have it serviced by a competent gunsmith.

Keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction when loading and unloading your gun. Never point the muzzle at anyone.

Never shoot at hard flat surfaces or water....bullets ricochet.

If a gun fails to fire when the trigger is pulled, keep it pointed down range at the target for 60 seconds. Sometimes slow primer ignition will cause a "hang fire" and the cartridge will go off after a short pause. If it still fails to fire, keep muzzle pointed in safe direction and avoid exposure to the breech, as you attempt to unload your firearm.

Never let water, snow, mud or other material enter the barrel. Always be sure the barrel is free of any obstruction.

Since many ammunition identifications sound similar, be sure that you use only the correct ammunition for your gun. Do NOT use the wrong size or wrong strength ammunition in your firearm.

Repeated and prolonged exposure to gunfire may cause toxic levels of lead in your body. High levels of lead in the blood may result cancer, impotency, birth defects and other serious physical injury. When shooting indoors, make sure there is proper fresh air ventilation.

Teach children: 1. NOT to touch guns, bullets, cartridges, shells, flares or any explosive device and 2. If they discovery such a dangerous item or weapon, they must immediately report its location to their parents, school teacher and police.

Remember a firearm has the capability of taking your life or the life of someone else. Be careful with your firearm -- an accident is almost always the result of not following basic safety rules.

**HOME SAFETY IS PROBABLY YOUR BIGGEST CONCERN.** We suggest a gun lock such as Master Gun Locks. They work on most firearms and are available in gun shops and sporting goods departments. For more information write: Master Gun Locks; Master Lock Company, P.O. Box 10367, Milwaukee, WI 53210. You have invested this much in your new firearm, now invest a little more in your family's safety.

**USED FIREARMS** - If you got your European American Armory firearm as a used gun, **BEFORE USING IT** you should unload it and check all its functions to be sure it works correctly. Firearms are some times altered to work incorrectly, or parts may be removed, lost or replaced with incorrect parts. First, unload it and check it yourself and then take it to a good gunsmith who knows European American Armory firearms, and have him examine it.

**WRITE US** concerning any items or circumstances which you don't understand and which might relate to your safety and the operation of your firearm.

## **WARNING**

BEFORE LOADING or firing a firearm, examine the bore and the firing chamber to be certain they are clean and free of any obstruction. Even a heavy coat of oil, grease, snow or water may result in damage to the firearm and injury to the shooter and/or persons near the firearm. A misfire or unusual sound upon firing is a signal to cease firing and to examine the chamber and bore. If there is any obstruction, clear the obstruction and clean the bore and chamber before firing.

## **FIRING WARNING**

When shooting, full eye and ear protection is mandatory at all times. Shooters and spectators must wear shooting glasses and sound suppressor to prevent eye injury and hearing loss. Vision loss and hearing impairment can occur with only one moment of non-protection.

## **WARNING**

Any bore obstruction, even if it is only partly blocked, may cause the gun to blow up if it is fired, or may cause damage to the gun such as a bulged barrel. To avoid injury or death to the shooter or bystanders, check the barrel before shooting or if a shot does not sound normal.

## **WARNING**

Always keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction! Never attempt to load or unload any firearm inside a vehicle, building or other confined space (except a properly constructed shooting range). Enclosed areas frequently offer no completely safe direction in which to point the firearm. If an accidental discharge occurs, there is great risk of injury or property damage. Before loading, always clean all, grease and oil from the bore and chamber, and check to be certain that no obstruction is in the barrel. Any foreign matter in the barrel could result in a bulged or burst barrel or other damage to the firearm and could cause serious injury to the shooter or to others.

## **WARNING**

If there is any reason to suspect that a bullet or projectile is obstructing the barrel, immediately unload the firearm (See Unloading Instructions) and check the chamber and the bore. A bullet may be lodged some distance down the barrel where it can not easily be seen. Check the bore by using a cleaning rod to pass through the barrel. If a blockage is in the bore, **DO NOT ATTEMPT TO SHOOT IT OUT WITH ANOTHER CARTRIDGE, OR BLOW IT OUT WITH A BLANK CARTRIDGE OR A CARTRIDGE FROM WHICH THE BULLET HAS BEEN REMOVED. SUCH TECHNIQUE(S) CAN GENERATE EXCESSIVE PRESSURE, DAMAGE THE FIREARM AND CAUSE SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY.** If the blockage can be removed with a cleaning rod, clean any unburned powder grains from the bore, chambers & mechanism before resuming shooting. If the blockage can not be dislodged by tapping it with a cleaning rod, take the firearm to a gunsmith.

### **WARNING (Mechanical Malfunctions)**

STOP SHOOTING IMMEDIATELY AND UNLOAD YOUR FIREARM if your firearm develops: a mechanical malfunction; binding or stoppage; spitting powder/gas; a cartridge primer is punctured; a cartridge case is bulged or ruptured; or the sound on firing does not sound quite right. Do NOT try one more shot but unload your firearm and take it and the ammunition to a qualified gunsmith or send it back to EAA for examination. Do not assume that the firearm is empty merely because you checked the chamber. You must also check the bore for any fired shot or was jammed inside the barrel.

#### **External Control Parts:**

**Bolt Block Safety:** Located on receiver above trigger, pivot slide style. When moved to the full up position blocks bolt movement, covers bolt and blocks trigger movement. When in the lower position bolt is fully exposed and free to move and the firearm will fire if trigger is pulled!! Do not disengage safety unless you are ready to fire the firearm. (Safety Engaged - Bolt Covered and Blocked and the trigger is blocked from full travel; Safety Disengaged - Bolt is fully exposed and the trigger has full travel...MAKE SURE YOU UNDERSTAND HOW THE SAFETY WORKS BEFORE YOU LOAD OR USE THE FIREARM)

**Trigger:** Located in the trigger guard with safety disengaged and trigger pulled to the rear the firearm will discharge.

**Bolt Cocking Handle:** Located on right hand side of the firearm protrudes from bolt used for pulling bolt rearward.

**Magazine Release Lever:** Used for insertion or removal of the magazine. To insert the magazine engage the front lug of the magazine with the magazine lug located in the front of the magazine well. With the lugs engaged you should be able to swing the magazine up into the locked position. To remove the magazine push the magazine release lever forward and swing the magazine down while pushing the magazine release lever.

**Upper Receiver Release Latch:** Located in back of receiver above stock. If the detente is depressed and the latch is depressed, the upper receiver dust cover can be removed for disassembly. See disassembly section of manual.

**Upper Receiver Release Latch Detente:** Located on upper receiver release latch. Round button that must first be depressed before latch is depressed.

**Bolt Catch (Not on all Models):** Located by trigger guard. To use the Bolt Catch move the safety to the off position and pull the bolt to the rear and then push the Bolt Catch up so that it engages the bolt and holds it in the rear position. Now release the bolt and it should be held in place by the Bolt Catch. Note: The Bolt Catch was added to some models of Saiga guns so as to allow easier loading of the firearm. Thus, to load a gun with a Bolt Catch simply lock the bolt back as directed above, insert magazine as directed above. Then pull the bolt handle to the rear and release and the bolt handle and the bolt will strip a round from the magazine. Immediately move bolt block safety to the safe position after a round has been stripped from the magazine.



## INFORMATION FIGURES

### Direction for Assembly

The Saiga comes fully assembled. All you will need to do is remove the wrapping, clean the protective oil from the gun and insert the magazine.

**Screw in Chokes for shotguns:** (This is an option )

### SHOTGUN CHOKE TUBE INFORMATION

Chokes	Saiga-410	Saiga-20	Saiga-12
Full	3	F (0.9)	F (0.9)
Mod	2	-	-
Improve/Mod	-	M (0.5)	M (0.5)
Improved Cylinder	1	IC (0.25)	IC (0.25)
Cylinder	-	C (0.0)	C (0.0)

Each Choke tube is marked with the choke symbols:

The choke tube threads: "Saiga-410ga are LH, "Saiga-20ga & 12ga are RH.

\*\* For steel shot or slug use Cylinder or Improved Cylinder tube.

Make sure that you fully install the choke tube before you fire the shotgun. Make sure that you do not cross thread the choke tube and after use remove the choke tube and clean the choke tube threads and location on the barrel where the choke tube threads to.

### To load your Firearm

1. Make sure the firearm is pointed in a safe direction at all times, the safety is engaged, and never allow fingers or objects to contact trigger.
2. Do not load firearm until you are ready to fire.
3. Remove magazine if it is not already removed
4. Do not disengage the safety.
5. Make sure the ammo that you are using is the correct size and gauge. The receiver is marked with the gauge/chamber size or caliber, shotgun barrels marked 3" will also use 2 3/4" or 3" shot shells.
6. Visually inspect the chamber for obstructions by moving the bolt back and looking into the chamber. The chamber should be free of oil or grease or obstructions... The chamber is the rear portion of the barrel where the cartridge slides into from the pressure applied by the bolt.

7. **Fig 9:** After determining there are no obstructions in the chamber release the bolt and move the bolt block safety up or in the safe position, so that it blocks the movement of the bolt.



8. **Fig 7:** For shotguns, insert five or less cartridges into the magazine. For rifles, insert ten or less cartridges into the magazine.

**\*\*WARNING\*\***

Never insert the magazine into the receiver until you are ready to fire the firearm...



9. **FIG 8:** With the bolt in the forward position and the bolt block safety in the safe position you may now insert the magazine as described in the previous section.



**To Fire Your Firearm**

**\*\*WARNINGS\*\***

- Do not disengage the safety until the firearm is pointed in a safe direction and you are ready to fire.
  - If a cartridge does not fire and the trigger has been pulled and the safety is disengaged... Stop! And do the following: a) Make sure the gun is pointed in a safe direction b) Engage the safety c) Wait 60 seconds d) Follow the instruction below for unloading the firearm.
  - Semi auto firearms automatically feed the next live round from the magazine into the chamber each time the gun fires. No user intervention is required for the firearm to complete the re-chambering operation, thus you must be aware that the firearm will be ready to fire another round after the previous round has been ejected and the new round has been chambered.
  - During firing, the bolt cocking handle travels reward with considerable force and velocity. Do not allow any objects to enter it's path.
  - If during firing the sound of any cartridge is noticeably softer or louder than the previous cartridge fired, Stop! Do not load another cartridge or fire another cartridge and do the following: a) Make sure the gun is pointed in a safe direction b) Engage the safety c) Follow the instruction below for unloading the firearm d) With the firearm unloaded visually inspect the firearm for barrel blockage or damage and inspect the mechanical portion and receiver of the firearm for damage before continuing.
  - **PLEASE READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL WARNINGS IN THIS MANUAL BEFORE USING THE FIREARM, MAKE SURE YOU KNOW WHAT YOU ARE SHOOTING AT**
1. Make sure the gun is pointed in a safe direction and that you are **wearing ear and eye protection.**

2. Engage safety if not already engaged.
3. **Fig 10:** To begin firing disengage the safety by moving it downward, make sure you are ready to fire and the firearm is pointed in a safe direction before you move the safety downward.
4. Pull the bolt back to the rear via the bolt handle and then release the handle. The bolt will strip a round from the magazine and insert it into the chamber. If the bolt doesn't fully close don't force it closed. Follow unloading instructions if bolt doesn't fully close.
5. When you are ready to fire pull the trigger to the rear and then release it. You may then pull the trigger again if you wish to fire another round.
6. If the firearm stops firing due to failure or full use of ammunition follow unloading instructions below.



### To Unload Firearm

1. **Fig 11:** Make sure that gun is pointed in safe direction and engage safety, if not already engaged. Never allow your finger or any object to come in contact with the trigger during the unloading operation...
2. **Fig 12:** Remove the magazine by pushing the magazine release lever forward until it touches the body of the magazine, while keeping the release lever in the forward position swing the magazine forward and out of the receiver.



3. With the magazine removed move the bolt block safety to its lower position, slide the bolt to the rearward position via the cocking handle and inspect the chamber to be certain the firearm is empty and free of debris and then re-engage the safety so that it is holding the bolt in the rearward position. If there was a spent or unspent cartridge in the chamber it should of been ejected. If there is a cartridge stuck in the chamber and it did not come out when you moved the bolt to the rear, obtain a cleaning rod and push the cartridge out backward.

### MANUFACTURER'S WARNING

This firearm was manufactured to properly perform with the original parts as designed. It is your duty to make sure any parts you buy are correctly installed and that neither replacements nor originals are altered or changed. Your gun is a complex tool with many parts that must relate correctly to other parts for safe and accurate operation. Putting a gun together wrong or with modified parts can result in a damaged gun, injury or death to you or others through malfunction. Always let a qualified gunsmith work on your gun or at least, check any work not performed by a gunsmith. Firearms safety is your primary concern. **THE GUN OWNER MUST ACCEPT FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CORRECT REASSEMBLY AND FUNCTIONING OF THE FIREARM AFTER ANY DISASSEMBLY OR REPLACEMENT OF PARTS.**

## Direction for Disassembly for Cleaning and Maintenance and Reassembly

Make sure the gun is unloaded and pointed in a safe direction. Make sure the safety is on. There is no excuse for not being careful.

**Fig 1:** With the bolt in the forward position and the safety engaged

**Fig 2:** Depress the Upper Receiver Release Latch button and then depress the latch

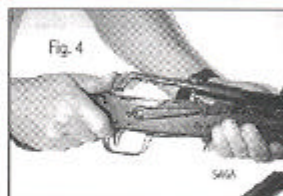
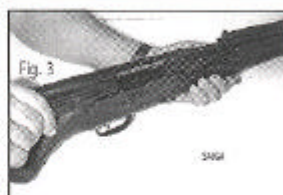
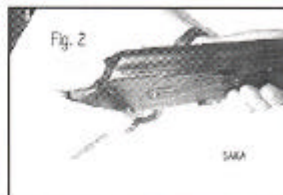
**Fig 3:** Grasp the dust shroud and pull it away from the receiver body, now the internal mechanism of the firearm is exposed

**Fig 4:** Push the Upper Receiver Latch forward with your thumb and index finger controlling the latch. Push the latch far enough forward so that it is free of the latch rails and lift up and remove the latch assembly from the receiver... **Be careful because the latch is under spring tension.**

**Fig 5:** Disengage safety and then pull bolt assembly to the rear and remove from receiver.

**Fig. 6:** Separate the bolt from the bolt support, to do this move the bolt backward, give it half a turn counter-clockwise and take it out by using a forward motion. To reassemble start with reinstalling bolt assembly and work your way backward through the steps of assembly.

**Fig. 13-15 :** On the "Saiga", "Saiga-308-1" rifle turn the gas tube cotter pin upwards with the aid of the accessories container, detach the gas tube using an upward motion. On the "Saiga-410", "Saiga-20", "Saiga-12" shotguns separate the gas tube stopper. To do this push the spring-loaded plunger flush with a drift pin and undo the stopper with the aid of a screwdriver counterclockwise and withdraw the piston.



## **CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE OF THE FIREARM**

**A)** Follow procedures for unloading the firearm as described previously

**B)** Follow procedures for disassembly of the firearm as described previously

**1.** Materials needed to clean this firearm are: a cleaning rod, cotton bore patches, brass bore brush, powder solvent, a small soft brush and good quality gun oil.

**WARNING:** Lead or lead compounds are known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, reproductive toxicity, and other serious physical injury. Those who clean firearms should take protective measures to avoid contact or exposure to such chemicals.

**2.** Using the bore brush with powder solvent scrub the barrel and chamber to remove any powder and lead residue in the bore. Always and lastly, swab with cotton patch with gun oil to coat and protect the bore and chambers from rust and corrosion.

**3.** Any powder fowling on the firing wall, barrel, etc. can be easily cleaned with a brush and powder solvent.

**5.** All external surfaces should be wiped down with light coat of rust preventative. Avoid using too much oil as dust and/or debris can get trapped in the oil creating a gum that in time will cause misfires.

**6.** CAUTION in using solvents in gun bore cleaning. Prolonged or excess contact with finish or bluing can damage the gun's finish. Be sure to wipe away all excess solvent and then lubricate with oil.

**7.** A gun should be cleaned after firing. In addition, external parts should be wiped with an oiled cloth after handling. A light oil is ordinarily all that is necessary in cleaning if the gun has not been fired or fired very little. If a gun is used frequently, it must be cleaned after each firing and regularly serviced by a professional gunsmith. If the gun has been stored, remove all excess oil and/or grease before firing. Always check to be sure that no cleaning patch or other obstruction remains in the bore or chambers before firing.

## **DANGER -- AMMUNITION WARNING**

Firearms may be damaged and serious injury or death to the shooter or bystander may result from any condition which contributes to the generation of excessive pressure or uncontrolled release of gas within the firearm. Such adverse conditions can be caused by bore or chamber obstruction, propellant powder overloads or by defective, incorrect or improperly loaded and assembled cartridge components. Even the strongest firearm can be blown up as a result of excessive pressure. It is extremely dangerous to use a cartridge whose pressure is greater than that developed by cartridges loaded to industry standards.

## **AMMUNITION NOTICE**

We specifically disclaim responsibility for any damage, injury or death occurring in connection with or as the result of the use of European American Armory firearms of faulty, nonstandard, remanufactured, hand loaded or reloaded ammunition, used cartridges or cartridges other than factory cartridges for which the firearm was originally chambered.

## **LUBRICATION WARNING**

Firing a firearm with oil, grease or any other material even partially obstructing the bore may result in damage to the firearm and injury to the shooter and those nearby. Do not spray or apply lubricants directly on ammunition. If the powder charge of a cartridge is affected by the lubricant, it may not be ignited, but the energy from the primer may be sufficient to push the bullet into the bore where it may become lodged. Firing a subsequent bullet into the obstructed bore will damage the firearm and may cause injury to the shooter and those nearby. Use lubricants properly. You are responsible for the proper care and maintenance of your firearm and ammunition.

## ADJUSTING SAIGA SHOTGUN GAS SYSTEM:

To set gas system for heavy or light loads (Options: Position 2 is for non Magnum loads, Position 1 is for Magnum, heavy, loads):

A) With your shotgun pointed in a safe direction and unloaded (see unloading instructions)

B) Depress locking detent see (Fig 1z)



Fig 1z

C) Rotate the gas nut clockwise until it will no longer move while keeping the detent depressed (Fig 2z)



Fig 2z

D) Now rotate the gas nut counter clockwise, (while keeping the detent depressed), until you stop at position (1) or (2) as desired for the load being used, see (Fig 3z). DO NOT TURN GAS NUT MORE THAN 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> TURNS COUNTER CLOCKWISE.

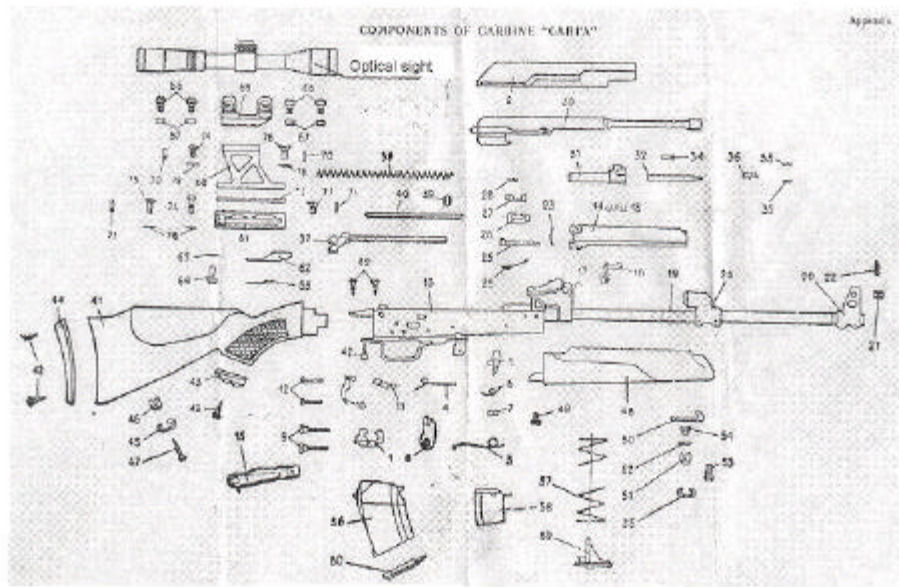


Fig 3z

Note: Gas Nut is Located at the Forward End of The Gas Piston Assembly

## Exploded View SAIGA 7.62X39

NOTICE: When ordering parts, must specify caliber or gauge. Scope & mount are options.



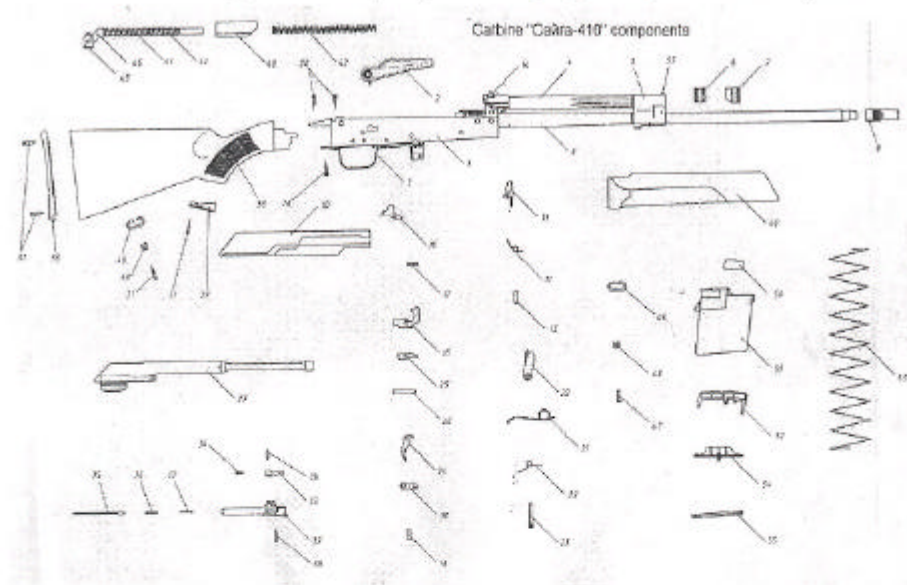
### PARTS LIST

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|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Trigger mechanism               | 27. Slide catch           | 53. Swivel screw            |
| 2. Receiver cover                  | 28. Slide-catch spring    | 54. Nut                     |
| 3. Mainspring                      | 29. Sight leaf spring     | 55. Swivel ring             |
| 4. Spring                          | 30. Bolt support assembly | 56. Magazine body           |
| 5. Magazine catch                  | 31. Bolt                  | 57. Magazine spring         |
| 6. Catch spring                    | 32. Firing pin            | 58. Follower                |
| 7. Catch pin                       | 33. Extractor spring      | 59. Locking plate           |
| 8. Hammer                          | 34. Firing pin stud       | 60. Magazine cover          |
| 9. Trigger mechanism pin           | 35. Extractor pin         | 61. Guide                   |
| 10. Trigger                        | 36. Extractor             | 62. Handle                  |
| 11. Lever                          | 37. Return spring guide   | 63. Catch                   |
| 12. Trigger pin                    | 38. Return spring         | 64. Screw                   |
| 13. Receiver assembly              | 39. Sleeve                | 65. Washer                  |
| 14. Gas tube assembly              | 40. Rod                   | 66. Screw                   |
| 15. Selector with sector           | 41. Butt                  | 67. Bush                    |
| 16. Hand-guard axle                | 42. Butt wood screw       | 68. Post                    |
| 17. Sight leaf/hand-guard axle pin | 43. Rosette               | 69. Clamp                   |
| 18. Gas tube assembly              | 44. Buttplate assembly    | 70. Pin                     |
| 19. Barrel                         | 45. Swivel ring           | 71. Pin                     |
| 20. Front-sight base               | 46. Swivel base           | 72. Adaptor                 |
| 21. Front-sight base               | 47. Swivel wood screw     | 73. Bolt M4-6gx16.58.05     |
| 22. Front Sight                    | 48. Forearm               | 74. Screw Bl.M4-6gx12.58.05 |
| 23. Gas tube spring                | 49. Screw                 | 75. Screw Bl.M4-6gx16.58.05 |
| 24. Gas cylinder                   | 50. Forearm support       | 76. Screw Bl.M4-6gx12.58.05 |
| 25. Sight leaf                     | 51. Swivel base           | 77. Screw Bl.M4-6gx16.58.05 |
| 26. Sight-leaf slide               | 52. Washer                | 78. Washer c.4.01.05        |



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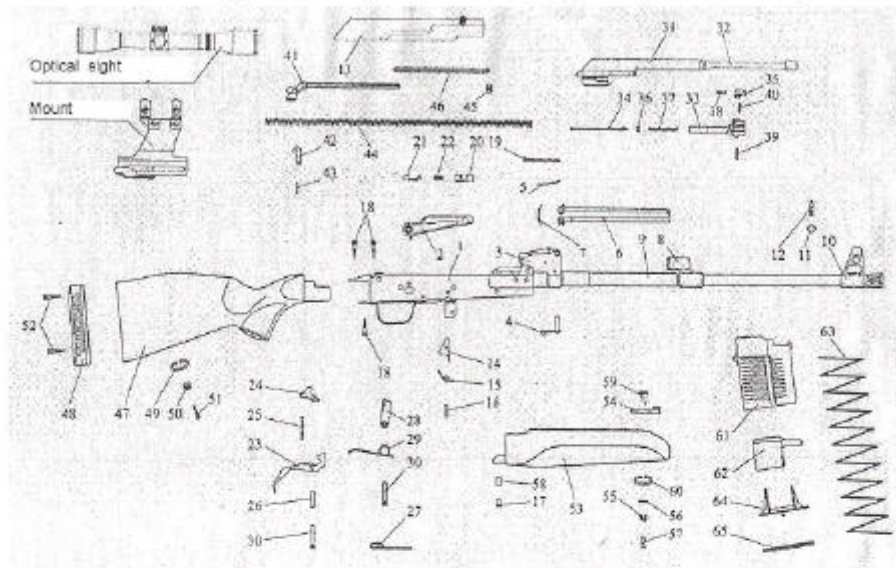


### PARTS LIST

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|---------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Receiver assy.               | 20. Hammer                | 39. Extractor pin       |
| 2. Selector with selector screw | 21. Mainspring            | 40. Shield assy.        |
| 3. Trigger guard assy.          | 22. Spring                | 41. Guide bush          |
| 4. Tube in assy. with end piece | 23. Trigger-mechanism pin | 42. Return spring       |
| 5. Gas chamber                  | 24. Trigger               | 43. Return-spring guide |
| 6. Piston                       | 25. Lever                 | 44. Guide rod           |
| 7. Blind plug                   | 26. Trigger pin           | 45. Pin                 |
| 8. Barrel                       | 27. Bolt support assy.    | 46. Fore end            |
| 9. Adapter                      | 28. Butt wood screw       | 47. Swivel screw        |
| 10. Receiver cover              | 29. Blind plug            | 48. Swivel base         |
| 11. Magazine latch              | 30. Butt plate            | 49. Swivel ring         |
| 12. Latch spring                | 31. Butt-plate wood       | 50. Butt                |
| 13. Magazine-latch pin          | 32. Bolt                  | 51. Body                |
| 14. Back sight                  | 33. Extractor             | 52. Follower            |
| 15. Hammer hook                 | 34. Extractor spring      | 53. Spring              |
| 16. Limiter                     | 35. Firing pin            | 54. Plate               |
| 17. Sear spring                 | 36. Striker               | 55. Cover               |
| 18. Bush                        | 37. Firing-pin spring     | 56. Hand guard          |
| 19. Sear                        | 38. Firing-pin stud       | 57. Front sight         |

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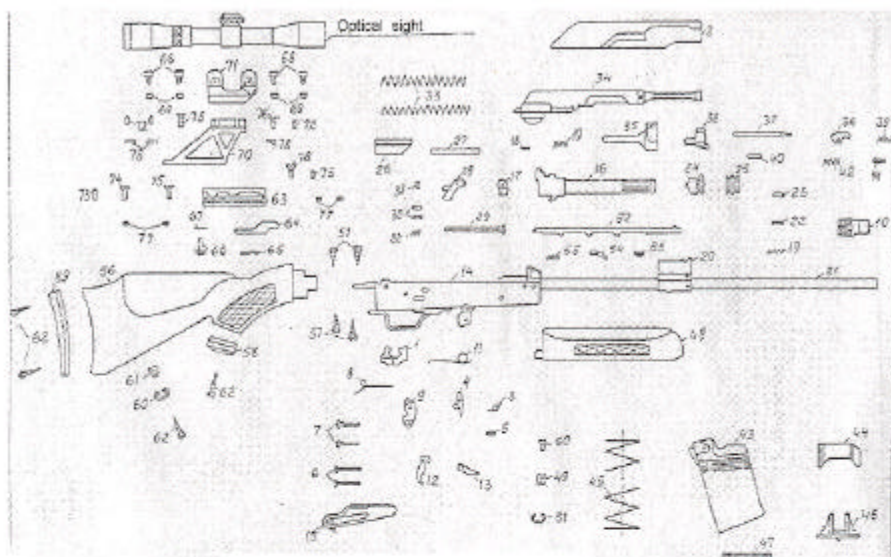


### PARTS LIST

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|-------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Receiver assy.       | 23. Trigger assy.             | 45. Sleeve                |
| 2. Selector with sector | 24. Sear                      | 46. Rod                   |
| 3. Sight bed            | 25. Spring                    | 47. Butt                  |
| 4. Hand-guard axle pin  | 26. Bush                      | 48. Butt plate with base  |
| 5. Sight-leafspring     | 23. Trigger mech. spring      | 49. Swivel ring           |
| 6. Gas tube assy.       | 28. Hammer                    | 50. Swivel base           |
| 7. Gas-tube spring      | 29. Mainspring                | 51. Swivel screw          |
| 8. Gas cylinder         | 30. Trigger mech. pin (2 pcs) | 52. Rosette screw (2 pcs) |
| 9. Barrel               | 31. Bolt support              | 53. Fore end              |
| 10. Front-sight bed     | 32. Rod                       | 54. Fore-end support      |
| 11. Front-sight base    | 33. Bolt                      | 55. Swivel base           |
| 12. Front sight         | 34. Firing pin                | 56. Washer                |
| 13. Receiver cover      | 35. Extractor                 | 57. Swivel screw          |
| 14. Magazine latch      | 36. Bush                      | 58. Bush                  |
| 15. Latch spring        | 37. Firing-pin spring         | 59. Nut                   |
| 16. Magazine-latch pin  | 38. Extractor spring          | 60. Swivel ring           |
| 17. Screw               | 39. Firing-pin stud           | 61. Body                  |
| 18. Butt screw (3 pcs.) | 40. Extractor pin             | 62. Follower              |
| 19. Sight leaf          | 41. Return-spring guide       | 63. Spring                |
| 20. Sight-leaf slide    | 42. Limiter                   | 64. Plate                 |
| 21. Slide latch         | 43. Pin                       | 65. Cover                 |
| 22. Slide-latch spring  | 44. Return spring             |                           |

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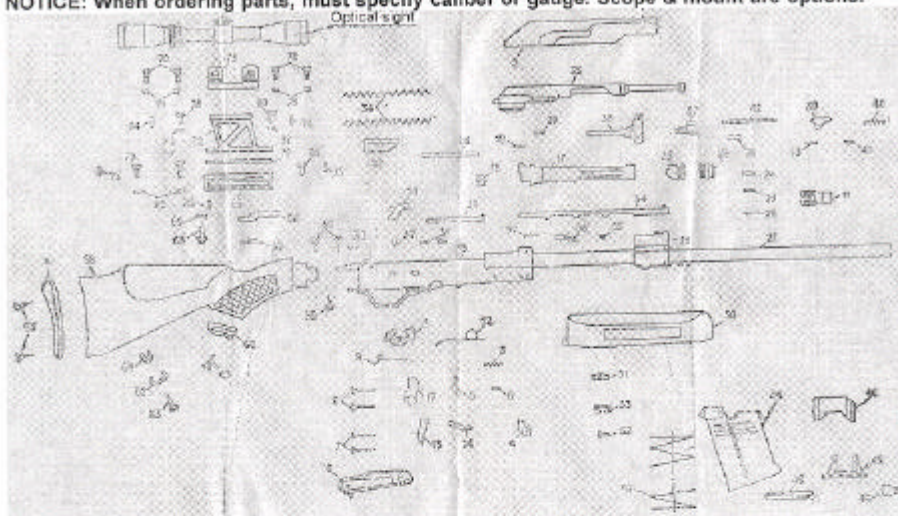


### PARTS LIST

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Trigger mechanism     | 27. Guide bush          | 53. Adjusting nut           |
| 2. Receiver cover        | 28. Return-spring guide | 54. Spring                  |
| 3. Latch spring          | 29. Guide rod           | 55. Spring                  |
| 4. Magazine latch        | 30. Pin                 | 56. Butt                    |
| 5. Magazine-latch pin    | 31. Plunger             | 57. Buttplate wood screw    |
| 6. Trigger pin           | 32. Plunger spring      | 58. Stopper                 |
| 7. Trigger-mechanism pin | 33. Return spring       | 59. Buttplate               |
| 8. Spring                | 34. Bolt support assy.  | 60. Swivel ring             |
| 9. Hammer                | 35. Bolt                | 61. Swivel base             |
| 10. Muzzle adapter       | 36. Extractor           | 62. Swivel wood screw       |
| 11. Mainspring           | 37. Firing pin          | 63. Guide                   |
| 12. Trigger              | 38. Bolt head           | 64. Handle                  |
| 13. Lever                | 39. Firing-pin spring   | 65. Latch                   |
| 14. Receiver assy.       | 40. Bolt-head pin       | 66. Screw                   |
| 15. Selector with sector | 41. Extractor pin       | 67. Washer                  |
| 16. Tube assy.           | 42. Extractor spring    | 68. Screw                   |
| 17. Back sight           | 43. Body                | 69. Bush                    |
| 18. Back-sight pin       | 44. Follower            | 70. Post                    |
| 19. Retainer spring      | 45. Spring              | 71. Clamp                   |
| 20. Gas chamber assy.    | 46. Plate               | 72. Pin                     |
| 21. Barrel               | 47. Cover               | 73. Pin                     |
| 22. Retainer pin         | 48. Fore end            | 74. Bolt                    |
| 23. Retainer             | 49. Swivel base         | 75. Screw B1.M4-6gx12.5B.05 |
| 24. Stopper              | 50. Swivel screw        | 76. Screw B1.M4-6gx12.5B.05 |
| 25. Piston               | 51. Swivel ring         | 77. Nut M4.6M.6.05          |
| 26. Guard assy.          | 52. Sight leaf assy.    | 78. Washer C.4.01.05        |

## Exploded View & Parts List SAIGA 12GA

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### PARTS LIST

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|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Trigger mechanism       | 29. Return spring guide | 57. Spring                    |
| 2. Receiver cover          | 30. Guiding rod 1       | 58. Butt                      |
| 3. Magazine-latch spring   | 31. Pin                 | 59. Butt wood screw           |
| 4. Trigger mechanism latch | 32. Plunger             | 60. Blind plug                |
| 5. Magazine latch          | 33. Plunger spring      | 61. Buttplate                 |
| 6. Magazine-latch pin      | 34. Return spring       | 62. Swivel ring               |
| 7. Trigger pin             | 35. Bolt support assy.  | 63. Swivel wood screw         |
| 8. Trigger mechanism pin   | 36. Bolt                | 64. Swivel base               |
| 9. Spring                  | 37. Bolt head           | 65. Guide                     |
| 10. Hammer                 | 38. Bolt head pin       | 66. Handle                    |
| 11. Muzzle adaptor         | 39. Extractor           | 67. Latch                     |
| 12. Mainspring             | 40. Firing pin spring   | 68. Screw                     |
| 13. Trigger                | 41. Extractor pin       | 69. Washer                    |
| 14. Lever                  | 42. Firing pin          | 70. Screw                     |
| 15. Receiver assy.         | 43. Extractor spring    | 71. Bush                      |
| 16. Selector with sector   | 44. Magazine body       | 72. Post                      |
| 17. Tube assy.             | 45. Hand guard          | 73. Clamp                     |
| 18. Back sight             | 46. Follower            | 74. Pin                       |
| 19. Back-sight pin         | 47. Spring              | 75. Pin                       |
| 20. Retainer spring        | 48. Sight leaf          | 76. Adapter                   |
| 21. Gas chamber assy.      | 49. Cover               | 77. Bolt M4-6qX16.58.05       |
| 22. Barrel                 | 50. Forearm             | 78. Screw 1/4 M4-6qX 12.58.05 |
| 23. Retainer pin           | 51. Swivel body         | 79. Screw BI.M4-6qX 16.58.05  |
| 24. Retainer               | 52. Swivel screw        | 80. Screw BI.M4-6qX12.58.05   |
| 25. Blind plug             | 53. Swivel ring         | 81. Screw BI.M4-6qX1658.05    |
| 26. Piston                 | 54. Sight leaf assy.    | 82. Washer E.4.01.05.         |
| 27. Guard assy.            | 55. Adjusting nut       |                               |
| 28. Guiding bush           | 56. Spring              |                               |

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