

KEEPING THE PIECE

Women's Shooting Club



Safety First:

- 1) **Treat All Guns as Loaded!**
- 2) **Never point the muzzle of any firearm toward anything you do not wish to destroy.**
- 3) **Keep trigger finger outside trigger well and on something solid until sights indexed on target and decision to shoot has been made.**
- 4) **Know your target and what lies behind it.**

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Clearing Malfunctions

* Failure to Feed – 1. Magazine is not properly seated or slide out of battery.

Immediate FIX = Tap, Rack, Bang!

PREVENT = Firmly Seat Every Mag & Don't Ride Slide Forward!

Check Mag Lips for bends to ensure round alignment.

2. Slide did not have enough resistance to cycle to the Rear-ward position, which is necessary to pick up new round.

Immediate FIX = Tap, Rack, Bang!

PREVENT = Firmer grip, more support hand pressure

* Failure to Extract – 1. Casing remains in chamber due to light load, "limp-wristing" gun, or sometimes dirty extractor. The slide needs ample resistance to cycle properly/fully.

Immediate FIX = Tap, Rack, Bang!

PREVENT = Good ammo, maintenance, firm grip

* Failure to Eject – 1. Round is not thrown out the side, but remains in the gun, usually sticking out like a 'stovepipe'. This can be caused by "limp-wristing" b/c slide needs ample resistance to cycle properly.

Immediate FIX = Swipe casing, Bang!

Remember Ladies,

In the heat of the moment, when you are required to defend your life, you will do only that which you have trained to do. That includes drawing, reloading, and clearing any malfunctions. Never assume you'll be able to do something just because you've 'thought it through'. You must physically rehearse, thousands of times, so that these skills become reflexive.