

Advice on your purchase

Guidelines to help you decide what modifications best suit your needs:

First decide if you will have the modifications done all at once or in stages. If the gun is to be done in stages some modifications must be done in a specific order, otherwise you will waste time and money. Also take into consideration what type of finish you desire. Chrome plating should be done only after you are sure you have all the desired modifications complete for that gun. You might want to consider a stainless steel gun if your project will be done in stages.

Consider what will provide you the most bang for your buck. The following is a list of improvements which will positively effect accuracy, in order of priority, (We are talking effective accuracy here, not just mechanical accuracy, i.e. what can the shooter hit, not just what the gun is capable of in the Ransom Rest):

- 1) A good set of sights - these might be adjustable for competition or fixed for a carry gun.
- 2) A good trigger job - use high quality aftermarket parts here and it will last much longer.
- 3) Install extractor, extended ejector, and full length guide rod, lower and fair back ejection port - these add to reliability.
- 4) Install a match barrel - this modification includes throating for reliability, and cutting the chamber to the correct length for proper headspacing. This modifications makes the most improvement to mechanical accuracy and to reliability.
- 5) Tighten frame to slide fit - this adds reliability and accuracy because the barrel locks up the same each time and always travels the same path. This should be done in conjunction with the barrel installation otherwise the barrel will have to be re-fitted.

Once these modifications have been done then you can look to others in the appearance area and ergonomic area.

Some hints to remember:

Some modifications conflict with one another call me to check to see if what you want will work.

Plating should be done after all modifications are done.

Checkering should be done towards the end right before plating.

Chrome plating will make slide tightening last longer.

Trigger job with new parts will last longer than one done with factory parts.

A new safety will more than likely have to be installed when a new sear is installed.