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RIFLES, M14M AND M14NM, FOR CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP USE

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1. Purpose. This regulation describes the U.S. Rifles, caliber 7.62mm, M14M, and M14NM and sets forth policy on the issue thereof.

2. Description of M14M and M14NM rifle. The U.S. Rifle, caliber 7.62mm, M14M (modified), will be basically the M14 Service Rifle with the exception of welding operations performed on the selector shaft lock, the selector shaft lock-retaining pin, the selector shaft, the receiver and the sear release. The U.S. Rifle, caliber 7.62mm, M14NM, is the M14M rifle refined to effect Match target quality. The foregoing 5 point weldment will render the rifles incapable of full automatic fire since the selector may no longer be assembled thereto. The Director of Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Division of the U.S. Treasury Department has ruled that an M14 rifle, so modified, will not be a firearm as defined in section 5848 (1) and (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, and may be sold or issued to civilians without payment of a special license.

3. Special modification of M14NM for target quality. The M14NM version of the rifle will embody the aforementioned modification and will be further refined to effect Match target quality by the strict selectivity of components and hand fitting operations during manufacture. In addition,

the rifle will utilize a special barrel manufactured or selected to obtain uniform bore diameter, chamber size, and headspace, a special straight-grained stock which will be glass bedded, and special front and rear sights.

4. Stockage, storage, and issue. The M14M rifle will be stocked, stored, and issued under Federal stock number 1005-678-9829 and will be identified by the letter "M" stamped as a suffix to the model designation M14, thus M14M, on the rear bridge of the receiver. The M14NM rifle will be stocked, stored, and issued under Federal stock number 1005-678-9828, and will be identified by the letters "NM" stamped after the model designation M14 in the same manner and in the same location prescribed for the M14M.

5. Sale of M14M and M14NM rifles. Sales of M14M or M14NM rifles will only be made to bona fide National Rifle Association members when directed by the Department of Defense through Department of the Army channels.

6. Issue of M14NM rifles. Issue of M14NM rifles to Director of Civilian Marksmanship (DCM) enrolled State rifle associations will be made in accordance with AR 920-20 when the rifles are available.

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