

PRODUCT REVIEW

ROSSI CIRCUIT JUDGE

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REVOLVING CYLINDER LONG ARM (.45 COLT/.410 BORE)



Stainless steel variant.

The Rossi Circuit Judge is a revolving chamber rifle that can use both the .45 Colt handgun round and the .410 bore (3-inch) shotgun round.

This popular 5-shot long arm is based on a handgun, the Taurus Judge (c. 2006).

The stainless steel variant is best as it is more rust resistant and easier to clean than the blued steel variant.

cylinder gap will not impact the supporting arm (a superb innovation lacking in other revolving chamber long arms).

Revolving cylinder arms are less likely to suffer stoppages that self-loading arms as they are far less dependant on ammunition performance for reliable operation. If a round fails to go off some reason (likely due to a dud primer)

(most other manufacturers produce reduced power buckshot loads in .410 bore suited to use by minors).

The problem with plastic case shotgun rounds is they are not as well sealed from moisture as metallic case handgun and rifle rounds, so are more likely to suffer dud primers (detonators).

The .45 Colt round with

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

A versatile sporting arm that is a viable alternative to self-loading long arms for defensive use.

ACCESSORIES

Log Book

Firearm Usage & Maintenance Log Book.

[Blackheart International]

Field Bore Brush

Hoppe's BoreSnake.

[Hoppe's]

Cleaner/Lubricant

Slip 2000 725/Slip 2000 EWL.

[Slip 2000]

Dry Fire Rounds

A-Zoom Snap Caps.

[Lyman Products Corp.]

Ear Plugs

EarPro EP3 or EP4 Sonic Defenders.

[SureFire]

Tactical Light

TLR-7 Gun Light.[Streamlight]

Speed Loader

J5-44/45 Speed Loader (.45 Colt)

J5-410 Speed Loader (.410 Bore)

[5 Star Firearms]

Picatinny Rail

Grovetec 3.1" Picatinny Rail Kit.

[Short Action Precision]



Underwood .45 Colt 220gr. ME

In jurisdictions that restrict or ban the ownership of self-loading rifles and shotguns a revolving chamber long arm like this is a viable alternative for those who want to use a carbine that approximates their ease of use, whereby one simply keeps pulling the trigger to fire repeatedly.

It is fitted with blast shields so escaping gas and gunpowder residue from the barrel/

you can simply pull the trigger again to rotate the cylinder and fire the next round.

The best .410 bore rounds for defensive use are sabot slugs like the Brenneke Close Encounter load (109gr. bullet), which are accurate in rifled arms like the Circuit Judge, and 000 buckshot loads like the 3" Winchester Super-X Predator load which contains five .36" buckshot pellets

hollowpoint bullets is best for defensive use, ideally the Underwood .45 Colt 220gr. Maximum Expansion load due to a long hi-tech bullet that provides massive expansion but can only be used in guns with very long chambers like the Circuit Judge.

The conventional Buffalo Bore Standard Pressure Heavy .45 Colt 200gr. JHP load is also recommended.

HOT TIP

Do not use high pressure +P or +P+ .45 Colt rounds in the Circuit Judge.