

PRODUCT REVIEW

BERETTA 3032 TOMCAT

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SELF-LOADING POCKET PISTOL (.32 ACP)



Silvertip JHP round is recommended. The round has a good stopping power record (though markedly less than the more powerful rounds in the handguns described above) and is feed reliable in the Tomcat. Don't use high pressure +P rounds (or any ammunition that exceeds 130 ft-lbs/176 J

The Beretta 3032 Tomcat (c. 1996) was designed for people who have trouble loading and shooting conventional handguns.

The .32 ACP chambered Tomcat (seven round magazine) is ideal for people with a weak firing hand due to old age or a disability who cannot manage the heavy trigger pull of DA/DAO revolvers, lack the hand strength to pull back the slide of a service pistol like the Glock 19 to load it, or find the recoil of the more powerful rounds used in the above handguns excessive.

The DA Tomcat has light recoil and can be easily loaded by placing a round directly into the chamber without having to pull the slide back thanks to its pivoting barrel feature. If you have trouble using the trigger in trigger-cocking mode (for the first shot) you can carry it cocked with the safety catch engaged

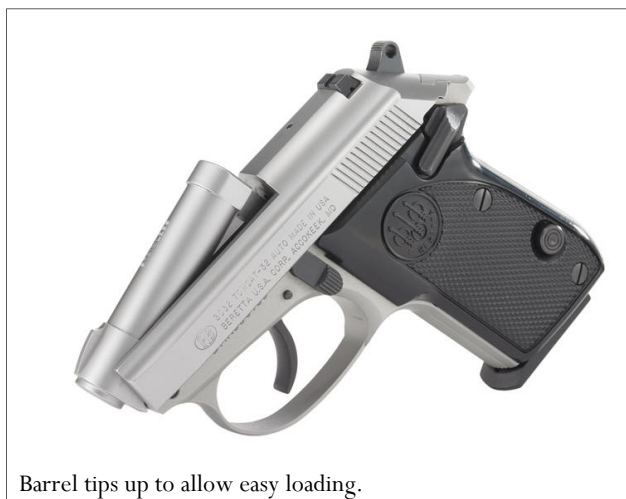
(in a holster like Mitch Rosen's No. 18, not loose in a pocket where the safety catch might disengage as a result of it moving around).

Use blue Loctite on the grip screws to keep them tight as the grips hold the recoil transfer levers on their pivot pins. If the grip screws loosen a lever can fall off its pin and cause the slide to jam.

The Winchester 60-grain

muzzle energy) as doing so will compromise reliability and durability, with the light alloy frames being prone to cracking if one does so. All variants now have heavier slides to reduce the stress on the frame (not just the Inox variant).

As with any defensive handgun, it's also desirable to carry a flashlight and a non-lethal weapon like OC spray.



Barrel tips up to allow easy loading.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

The ideal handgun for people with a disability that prevents the efficient use of conventional handguns.

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]

Pocket Holster

No. 18 Holster
[Mitch Rosen]

Flashlight

G2X Tactical.
[SureFire]

HOT TIP

Download their magazines by one rounds to help prevent metal fatigue to their springs.