

# RƏD ARMY STANDARD

# AK RETAINING PLATE



**WARNING!** If unfamiliar with the assembling and disassembling of mechanisms in firearms, you should have the installation done by a qualified gunsmith.



**WARNING!** Wear eye protection, such as shooting glasses or goggles, when disassembling your firearm to protect your eyes from tensioned parts, such as springs that could be dislodged during disassembly.

**WARNING!** Make sure your firearm is not loaded! Remove the magazine and inspect the chamber to ensure it is empty!

## Instructions

1. Ensure the firearm is unloaded.
2. Field strip the firearm according to the owner's manual.
3. While holding the hammer down, pull the trigger to release the hammer and slowly let it go forward until it stops.
4. Remove the safety by first rotating it up 90 degrees to the receiver. Once the safety is in the up position remove it from the receiver.
5. Remove the shepherd's hook from the hammer and trigger axis pins by pulling it back and up out of the receiver.
6. The AK Retaining Plate will be installed with the Red Army Standard Logo right-side up and facing the trigger.
7. Align the front hook around the groove in the hammer axis pin and against the receiver wall. (See Illustration #1.)
8. Rotate the AK Retaining Plate downwards into the groove in the trigger axis pin. (See Illustration #2.)

*Illustration #1*



*Illustration #2*



9. Line up the small hole in the corner of the AK Retaining plate with the safety selector pin hole found on the left hand side of the receiver.
10. Reinstall the safety by first aligning it 90 degrees to the receiver (the same orientation as it was removed) then push it in through the AK Retaining Plate and safety selector pin hole on the left side of the receiver. (See Illustration #3.)

11. Once complete, rotate the safety selector clockwise to the "FIRE" position (See Illustration #4) and check proper function of the AK Retaining Plate by pressing firmly on both of the hammer and trigger retaining pins to ensure they do not fall out of the receiver.
12. Reassemble the firearm to perform safety and function checks with an unloaded firearm.

**Illustration #3**



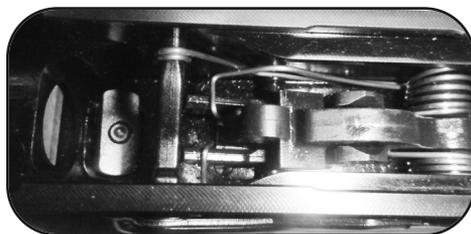
**Illustration #4**



## **Safety Tests**

1. Now you need to test the trigger to make sure it is functioning properly. While holding the trigger slightly rearward, depress the hammer until the disconnecter locks the hammer in place. (See Illustration #5.) Slowly release the trigger; the hammer should be caught by the two hooks on the trigger. If the hooks do not capture the hammer, the firearm could slam fire.

**Illustration #5**



2. Reinstall your bolt carrier and bolt, recoil spring assembly and your receiver cover.
3. Your firearm is now fully assembled.
4. With the firearm cocked move the safety to the "SAFE" position. Pull the trigger; the hammer should not move! The safety tab should capture the rear of the trigger, preventing the hammer from going forward.
5. Apply safety; pull trigger; move safety to "FIRE". Hammer should not fall.
6. Bump Test - Cock the rifle by operating the cocking handle; place safety in the "FIRE" position; bump the buttstock on a padded surface. The hammer should not release.
7. ALWAYS "dry fire" your firearm (i.e. with no ammo) several times before using live ammunition to ensure all mechanisms in the firearm are working properly. If it is not working properly, or you are unsure, do not use live ammunition - take your firearm to a qualified gunsmith

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