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READ. FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF AND ANY OTHER USER OF THIS MARKER WITH THE SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS IN THIS MANUAL. FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS WHEN USING. WORKING ON. TRANSPORTING OR STORING THIS MARKER.



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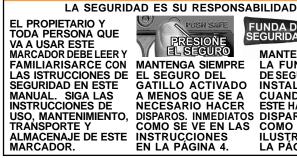


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BARREL SLEEVE INSTALLATION

• EXCEPT WHEN YOUR MARKER IS IN USE, ALWAYS MAKE SURE THAT THE TRIGGER SAFETY IS IN SAFE MODE (SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 4), AND THE BARREL SLEEVE IS PROPERLY INSTALLED ON YOUR MARKER AS SHOWN BELOW.

1) SLIDE BARREL INTO SLEEVE AND LOOP CORD OVER TOP OF RECEIVER AND POSITION AT BACK OF GRIP AS SHOWN BELOW. CORD



CORD LENGTH IS ADJUSTED, LOCK CORD LENGTH BY TYING A KNOT IN THE CORD AGAINST THE BACK OF THE ADJUSTOR AS SHOWN.

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CONGRATULATIONS on your purchase of your Tippmann[™] 98 CUSTOM[™] paintball marker. We believe it to be the most accurate and durable paintball marker available, and proudly manufactured in the USA. The 98 CUSTOM[™] will give many years of dependable service if cared for properly.

Please take time to read through this manual thoroughly and become familiar with the Tippmann[™] 98 CUSTOM[™] parts, operation, and safety precautions before you attempt to load or fire this marker. If you have a missing or broken part or need assistance, please contact Tippmann[™] Consumer Relations at 1-800-533-4831 for fast friendly service.

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Warning/Liability Statement

This marker is classified as a dangerous weapon and is surrendered by Tippmann Sports, LLC with the understanding that the purchaser assumes all liability resulting from unsafe handling or any action that constitutes a violation of any applicable laws or regulations. Tippmann Sports, LLC shall not be liable for personal injury, loss of property or life resulting from the use of this weapon under any circumstances, including the intentional, reckless, negligent or accidental discharges.

All information contained in this manual is subject to change without notice. Tippmann Sports, LLC reserves the right to make changes and improvements to products without incurring any obligation to incorporate such improvements in products previously sold.

If you as a user do not accept liability, Tippmann Sports, LLC requests you do not use a Tippmann Sports, LLC marker. By using this paintball marker you release Tippmann Sports, LLC of any and all liability associated with its use.

Safety Is Your Responsibility!



The ownership of this weapon places upon you the total responsibility for its safe and lawful use. You must observe the same safety precautions as you would any firearm to

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assure the safety of not only yourself but everyone around you. The user should at all times use caution when using this marker. The sport of Paintball will be viewed and judged upon your safe and sportsmanlike conduct. Always remember that the game of Paintball can only survive and grow if it remains SAFE!

- Do not load or fire this marker until you have completely read this manual and are familiar with its safety features, mechanical operation and handling characteristics.
- Handle this and any marker as if it were loaded at all times.
- Keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.
- Do not look down the barrel of a paintball marker. Accidental discharge into the eyes may cause permanent injury or death.
- Keep the marker on safe until ready to shoot.
- Keep the barrel sleeve installed on marker when not shooting.
- Never point the marker at anything you do not intend to shoot.
- Never fire your marker at anything you do not intend to shoot because there may be balls or foreign debris lodged in the chamber, barrel and / or the marker valve.
- Do not shoot at fragile objects such as windows.
- Never fire your marker at personal property of others, the paintball can stain the paint of automobiles and houses.
- Always keep the muzzle pointed down or in a safe direction, even if you stumble or fall.
- Eye, face and ear protection designed specifically to stop paintballs in the form of approved goggles and full face mask should be worn by the user and any person within range.
- Never shoot at a person who is not protected by eye, face and ear protection designed for paintball.
- Pressurize and load the marker only when the marker will be immediately used.
- NOTE: Before storing or disassembling be sure to remove paintballs and air supply. Completely empty the hopper, point your marker in a safe direction, fire several times to be sure there are no balls lodged in the chamber and/or barrel or air left in the marker. Install barrel sleeve (see page 2).
- Store the marker unloaded and degassed in a secure place.
- Familiarize yourself with any warnings and instructions listed on the air supply cylinder. Contact the air supply cylinder manufacturer with any questions.

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- Do not field strip or otherwise disassemble this marker while it is pressurized with air supply.
- Dress appropriately when playing the game of paintball. Avoid exposing any skin when playing the game of paintball. Even a light layer will absorb some of the impact and protect you from the paintballs.
- Keep exposed skin away from escaping gas when installing or removing air supply cylinder or if the marker or air supply is leaking. Compressed air, CO2, and nitrogen gasses are very cold and can cause frostbite under certain conditions.
- Use only .68 caliber paintballs, never load or fire any foreign objects.
- Avoid alcoholic beverages before and during the use of this marker. Handling markers while under the influence of drugs or alcohol is a criminal disregard for public safety.
- Avoid shooting an opponent at point blank, 6 feet or less.
- Familiarize yourself with instructions listed on air supply cylinder or adaptor. Contact the air supply cylinder or adaptor manufacturer with any questions.
- Always measure your marker's velocity before playing paintball and never shoot at velocities in excess of 300 feet per second (see instructions on page 7).

Getting Started

1) Air Supply Cylinder Installation

- Do not pressurize a partially assembled paintball marker.
- First install barrel sleeve (see instructions on page 2).
- Next put trigger safety in Safe Mode (see instructions on page 4).
- Next you need to cock the marker by sliding the bolt handle all the way back until it locks into place. Always keep marker in the cocked position when air supply is attached to marker. This will help prevent an accidental discharge.
- To install the air supply cylinder, lubricate the cylinder valve o-ring with a little gun oil then insert the cylinder valve end into the air supply adapter at the back end of the marker grip. Twist the cylinder clockwise into the marker until it stops. Adjust the butt plate if necessary. Your marker is ready to fire once you switch to Fire Mode from Safe Mode. If the tank is full and you do not hear the air supply engage, the pin valve could be too short or the pin valve seal is damaged.

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2) Hopper

Barrel Sleeve must be installed (see page 2) and safety in Safe Mode (see page 4) before filling the hopper.

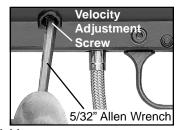
Make sure that the feed elbow and hopper are clean and free of any sharp edges to keep paintballs feeding into the marker smoothly.

Install the hopper neck into the feed elbow of your marker and tighten the hopper down with a 3/16" allen wrench.

NOTE: Do not overtighten or the elbow will break. With the barrel sleeve installed and safety in Safe Mode, you are now ready to load your hopper with paintballs. Fill hopper and only remove barrel sleeve and turn off the safety when ready to shoot.

3) Velocity Adjustment

Each time you play paintball, the velocity of your paintball marker should be checked with a chronograph, an instrument for measuring velocity, prior to playing paintball to verify that the marker's velocity is set below 300 feet per second or less if required by playing field.



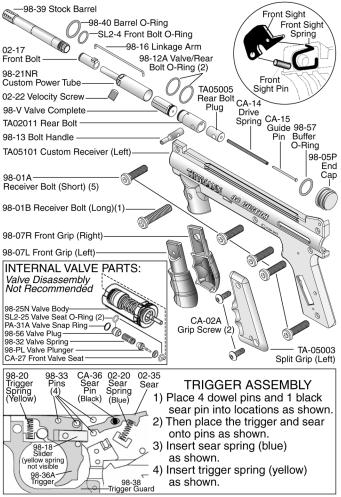
To adjust the velocity use the 5/32" allen wrench included with your marker. The velocity adjustment screw is located on left side receiver. To adjust the velocity down, turn the screw inward or clockwise. To turn the velocity up, turn the screw out or counterclockwise. Do not remove velocity screw.

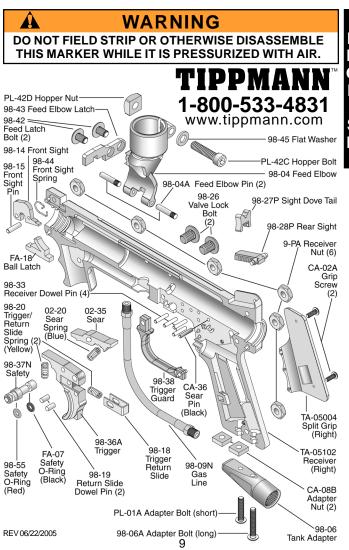
NOTE: You must turn the velocity screw all the way in before doing any disassembly.

4) Rear Sight Adjustment

If your paintball is hitting low, slide the rear sight back towards rear of marker. Do the opposite if paintball is hitting high.

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Unloading Your Marker

To unload your marker remove the hopper or completely empty the hopper. Then, point your marker in a safe direction and fire several times to be sure there are no balls lodged in the chamber and / or barrel. Install barrel sleeve (see page 2).

IMPORTANT: Do not uncock your marker as uncocking your marker may push a ball into the chamber or down into the barrel in which case the ball will be hidden from view.

Air Supply Cylinder Removal

To remove a charged air supply cylinder, turn the cylinder approximately 3/4 of a turn counterclockwise or out. This allows the air supply pin valve to close so that no air will enter the

marker. Point the marker in a safe direction and fire the remaining gas in the marker by pulling the trigger until the marker stops firing. This may take 4-5 shots.

If your marker keeps firing after you have turned the tank 3/4 of a turn, the tank pin valve has not closed yet and you may have to turn the tank counterclockwise a little further.

If you turn the tank 3/4 of a turn and it begins to leak before you pull the trigger you have turned it too far and may have damaged the tank o-ring.

Because of the variances in tank valve parts, each tank varies slightly on exactly how far it should be turned. If this process does not work the tank pin valve could be too long.

NOTE: Before storing or disassembling be sure to remove paintballs and air supply. Completely empty the hopper, point your marker in a safe direction, fire several times to be sure there are no balls lodged in the chamber and/or barrel or air left in the marker. Install barrel sleeve (see page 2).

Cleaning & Maintenance

To reduce the chance of accidental discharge: First follow unloading and air supply removal instructions above and never disassemble a marker that is under pressure.

- Follow warnings listed on the air supply cylinder for handling and storage.
- Familiarize yourself with instructions listed on air supply cylinder or adaptor. Contact the air supply cylinder or adaptor manufacturer with any questions.
- Do not use any petroleum based cleaning solvents.
- Do not use aný cleaning solvents that come in aerosol cans. NOTE: Petroleum based products and aerosol products can damage your markers' o-rings.
- To clean your paintball marker use a damp towel with water to wipe off paint, oil, and debris. We recommend using Tippmann[™] marker oil or other premium gun oil to maintain your marker in good working condition. Re-oil with a few drops to the front bolt o-ring and rear bolt. We also

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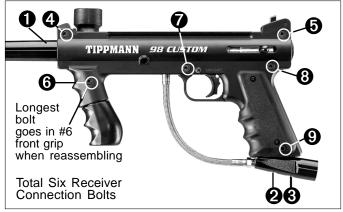
recommend using Tippmann[™] marker oil or other premium gun oil on the barrel o-ring and air supply valve o-ring.

 To clean your barrel first, depress front sight and tip out feed elbow. Insert metal tab of cable squeegee into breach, then pull squeegee through barrel to remove debris.

Marker Disassembly

First follow unloading and air supply removal instructions on page 10. Do not pressurize a partially assembled paintball marker. Put the marker in the uncocked position. If your marker is cocked, hold the bolt handle while pulling the trigger which will uncock the marker.

NOTE: The barrel (1) and adapter bolts (2-3) must be removed first. Next, turn the velocity screw in until it stops.



To remove the left-side receiver, unscrew bolts (4-9) receiver connection bolts. Then carefully lift the left-side receiver to access the internals.

NOTE: The Safety will stay on the left-side receiver and should be reassembled the same way.

Once inside, pull the end cap out to remove the guide pin and drive spring. These parts must be removed before the bolt handle will release. Disconnect the linkage arm from the rear and front bolts. Slide the front bolt off the power tube and check the o-ring. Clean and oil the o-ring or if damaged, replace with a new one. Do the same with the rear bolt o-ring.

Field Stripping / Receiver Disassembly (continued on page 12)

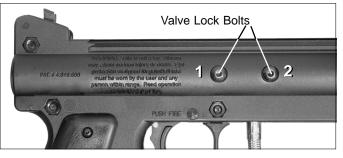
Field Stripping / Receiver Disassembly (continued from page 11)

Power tube and valve removal.

NOTE: Do not remove the gas line fitting unless it is leaking or you need to replace the valve. If you should do so you will need some teflon tape or paste to reinstall it.

First, you need to complete Marker / Receiver Disassembly Instructions on page 11.

To release the power tube and valve, unscrew the two valve lock bolts on the outer right-side receiver.



Reinstalling: Apply red loctite to bolts threads when reinstalling. Do not over tighten valve lock bolts when reinstalling.

Valve removal from power tube: If it is necessary to remove the valve, use a wrench to slowly unscrew the gas line fitting. Once the fitting is out, the valve will slide out the back of the power tube.

NOTE: Check the external valve o-ring at this time. If the o-ring is damaged your marker will not function correctly. Reinstalling valve: Insert valve into power tube, align holes and add teflon tape or paste to gas line fitting threads, slowly screw into valve and snug with wrench.

Repairing Air Supply Cylinder Leaks

The most common leak occurs from a bad air supply valve o-ring. To replace a valve o-ring you must first remove the bad o-ring and then install a new one. This o-ring is located on the tip of your air supply valve. The best valve o-rings are made of urethane. The urethane o-rings are not affected by high air supply pressures. These may be purchased from Tippmann[™] or your local paintball dealer.

NOTE: If new valve o-ring does not resolve air supply leak, S do not attempt to repair air supply cylinder. Contact Tippmann Sports, LLC or your local paintball dealer.

Storage

Before storage unload and remove air supply (see page 10). Then install Barrel Sleeve (see page 2) and put your marker in Safe Mode (see page 4). You should store your marker in a dry area. Before storing your marker make sure that the marker is cleaned and oiled (see cleaning and maintenance on page 10) so that it does not rust. Store your marker with the bolt in the forward position, uncocked. When removing your marker out of storage make sure Barrel Sleeve is installed (see page 2) and safety is in Safe Mode (see page 4). You should re-oil the rear bolt and the front bolt o-ring before use.

Specifications

| Nodel Tippmann™ 98 CUSTOM™ |
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| Caliber |
| Action Semi-Automatic (open bolt blow-back) |
| Power/Air Supply compressed air, nitrogen or CO2 |
| lopper Capacity |
| Cycle Rate 8 shots per second |
| Standard Barrel Length8.5" |
| Overall Length (with standard barrel & no tank) 19.63" |
| Veight (without tank)2.9 lbs. |
| Effective Range 150+ ft. |
| /elocity Always measure your marker's velocity |
| before playing paintball and never shoot at velocities in |
| excess of 300 feet per second (see instructions on page 7). |

WARRANTY AND REPAIR POLICY

Tippmann Sports, LLC warrants that this product is found free from defects in materials and workmanship for a period of 1 year from the original date of purchase by the initial owner/ purchaser. This warranty does not apply to defects discovered after purchase which were caused by the unauthorized modifications and alterations of our product. Tippmann Sports, LLC will repair or replace, without charge, any of its markers that have failed through defect in material or workmanship. Tippmann is dedicated to providing you with the ultimate paintball marker and the quality support necessary for satisfactory play.

WARRANTY OR REPAIR PROCEDURE

If you should encounter any problems with your marker and you have aftermarket parts on your marker, please test it with the original stock parts before sending it in.

Always unload and remove air supply before shipping a marker. Do not ship your air supply tank if it is not completely empty.

For warranty and non-warranty repair:

- Ship or deliver your product(s) to: Tippmann Sports, LLC 2955 Adams Center Road Fort Wayne, IN 46803
- 2. Postage or delivery charges must be prepaid.
- Include a brief statement regarding the requested repair, your name, return address and telephone number where you can be reached during normal business hours, if possible.

Our policy is to complete the necessary repair work within 24 hours and return it to you via regular ground UPS. If you wish to have it returned using a faster service, you can request for NEXT DAY AIR UPS OR SECOND DAY AIR UPS. You will be charged for this service and must include your credit card number with the expiration date. Your card will be charged the difference in additional cost over regular ground shipping service.

WARRANTY REGISTRATION

Register your marker either:

- 1. On line at www.tippmann.com.
- 2. Complete attached registration card and mail to the above address.

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