

Charles Daly®

INSTRUCTION  
MANUAL  
FOR  
SEMI-AUTO  
SHOTGUNS

READ THE INSTRUCTIONS AND  
WARNINGS IN THIS MANUAL CAREFULLY  
BEFORE USING THIS FIREARM

## FIREARMS SAFETY

At Charles Daly, we believe that safe firearms handling is the most important consideration of anyone who uses firearms and ammunition. Please take a few minutes to thoroughly read and understand this instruction manual, the SAAMI "Firearms Safety Depends on You" pamphlet and the NSSF publication "Firearms Responsibility in the Home", all included with this shotgun.



You should completely understand this manual before you practice loading, unloading and firing with live ammunition.

Remember, firearms safety does depend on you!

## CAUTION

Take note of the following warnings on gun handling before attempting to use your shotgun:

- Don't rely on your gun's safety. Treat every gun as if it were loaded and ready to fire.
- Never cross a fence, climb a tree or jump a ditch with a loaded gun.
- Never load or carry a loaded gun until you are ready to use it.
- Watch your muzzle so the other fellow doesn't have to.
- Keep guns and ammunition separately and in locked storage.
- Don't shoot unless absolutely sure of your target and what is beyond it.
- Know the range of your gun.
- Always wear eye and protection when shooting.
- Always be sure the barrel is clear of obstructions, and only carry ammunition specifically intended for the gun you are using.
- Do not alter or modify your gun. Have gun checked regularly by a competent gunsmith.

## UNPACKING YOUR SHOTGUN



Fig. 1

When you remove the shotgun from its box, you will see the 2 major components shown above, the barrel and the shotgun (Fig. 1). Your VR-MC shotgun should come with 3 choke tubes, one installed in the barrel and 2 extra tubes, along with a choke tube wrench and a spare O-ring. You should have an instruction manual, a SAAMI safety booklet and a NSSF pamphlet. A gunlock is also included for your use. (Please read the instructions included with your gunlock for proper use of this added security and safety device).

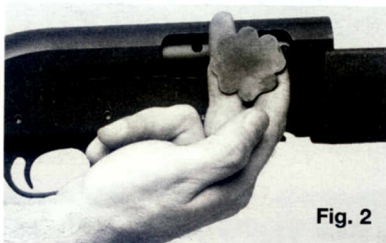


Fig. 2

The bolt handle of your shotgun is protected from damage by a rubber pad. Simply slide your fingers under the rubber pad as shown in Fig. 2 and lift the pad completely off the bolt handle.

## MANUAL SAFETY

Your shotgun is equipped with a manual trigger block safety button located in the trigger guard, just behind the trigger. When the button is pushed from the left side of the receiver, protruding to the right side, the trigger is blocked and the safety is on as shown in Fig. 3



Fig. 3

When the button is pushed from the right side of the receiver, protruding to the left side, you will see a red circle on the safety button indicating the safety is off and the shotgun is in an unsafe condition, ready to fire if the trigger is pulled, as shown in Fig. 4.



Fig. 4

## WARNING

The manual safety of your shotgun should always be on except for when you are ready to pull the trigger and fire the shotgun. This will help insure that no accidental discharges take place. You should only have the safety off, and be able to see the red line on the left side of the receiver, when you are ready to shoot.

## DIRECTIONS FOR ASSEMBLY



Holding the shotgun as shown in Fig. 5 above, use your finger(s) to pull the bolt handle fully to the rear until the bolt locks in its open position.



Unscrew the magazine cap from the front of the forend in a counter clockwise direction as shown in Fig. 6.

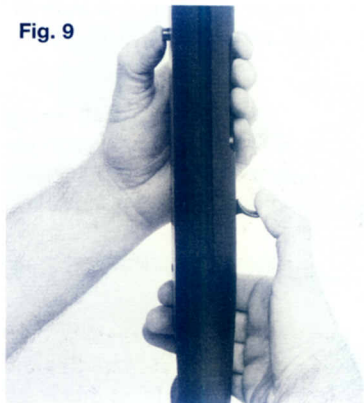


Remove the forend by sliding it forward, off the shotgun as shown in Fig. 7. Note that the forend may be tight to the shotgun when doing this.

In order to properly insert the barrel into the receiver it is necessary to release the bolt from its locked position in the receiver. As the bolt is under spring tension, care must be given to properly releasing the bolt so that components do not come off the end of the magazine tube during this procedure. In Fig. 8, you will see the location of the action release button.



Refer to Fig. 9. While holding the bolt handle with your right hand, depress the action release button with your left thumb and allow the bolt to go forward slowly with your right hand until the bolt handle reaches the end of the receiver.



Carefully align the barrel with the receiver and the end of the magazine tube, as shown in Fig. 10 and begin to pull back on the bolt handle as you insert the barrel into the receiver.

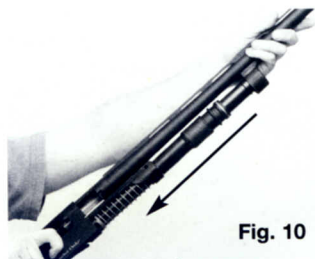


Fig. 10

Continue pulling the bolt handle back while inserting the barrel until the bolt is in its rear locked position and the barrel is completely seated in the receiver. The barrel should mate to the receiver at this point in the assembly as shown in Fig. 11.

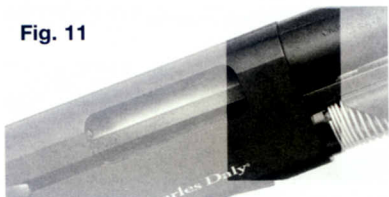


Fig. 11

Slide the forearm over the magazine tube assembly as shown in Fig. 12, bringing it to rest against the receiver.



Fig. 12

There are two small tabs in the forearm that will align with the small cutout in the front end of the receiver. The forearm is in its proper position when it is seated completely against and around the receiver as shown in Fig. 13.



Fig. 13

Reattach the magazine cap to the magazine tube by rotating it in a clockwise direction until it is firmly screwed down against the forearm as shown in Fig. 14.



Fig. 14

The shotgun is now completely assembled. To close the bolt/action, depress the action release button on the left side of the receiver as shown in Fig. 15. Check, to be sure no fingers or other objects are located near the bolt as it closes. Put the safety in the "ON" position!



Fig. 15

## CAUTION

Do not load your shotgun until you are ready to use it and unload it immediately after you have finished shooting. Always carry your shotgun with the safety engaged. The user of this shotgun, and all firearms, should never depend on the manual safety, or any other mechanical device, to make a firearm completely safe. It is your responsibility to always keep the muzzle of your firearm pointed in a safe direction.

## LOADING

When loading, keep the safety on at all times and keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction.

To load the magazine tube, turn the shotgun upside down and depress the action release button. This will allow the cartridge lifter to move into the receiver well. Insert your cartridge and push it into the magazine tube until it is held in place in the tube by the cartridge latch. As you insert each cartridge you will hear a "click" that tells you the latch has closed behind the cartridge and you can now load the next shell. See Fig. 16. The action release button should be held in while loading or it will have to be depressed after each cartridge is loaded.



Note: Your shotgun is equipped with a plug that limits the number of cartridges that your magazine tube will hold to 2 shells. Removal of the plug is shown in this manual in the DISASSEMBLY section.

To load a cartridge into the chamber, pull back on the bolt handle. As you pull the bolt handle fully rearward, a cartridge will come out of the magazine tube and the cartridge carrier will raise the shell aligning it with the chamber. Release the bolt handle and the forward travel of the bolt will chamber the first round. See Fig. 17. Never allow your fingers or another object to come in contact with the trigger while loading.

Fig. 17



Your shotgun is now loaded and ready to fire if the safety is moved to the OFF position.

To fire the shotgun, hold the shotgun firmly with both hands and the proper placement of the buttstock to your shoulder and cheek. Aim at your target. Press the safety button into the OFF position and pull the trigger. The system that operates your semi-auto will fire the cartridge in the chamber, eject the fired case and load the next cartridge into the chamber, each time that you pull the trigger. Be prepared to either fire your next shot or engage the safety in the ON position after firing.

## UNLOADING

Before unloading, make sure the safety is in the ON position. And keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction. Never allow your fingers or another object to come in contact with the trigger during unloading.

Pull the bolt handle completely to the rear and this will eject any cartridge that is remaining in the chamber. Close and open the bolt repeatedly to chamber and then eject all cartridges that may be remaining in the magazine tube or chamber.

Visually check to make sure that no cartridges may be remaining in the chamber or magazine tube and depress the bolt release button to close the action/bolt.

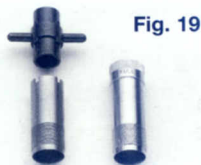
If you wish to unload the magazine without cycling the bolt repeatedly, turn the shotgun over, depress the action release button, insert your finger into the magazine well and depress the interceptor latch. See Fig. 18. This will allow cartridges remaining in the magazine tube to bypass the latch and allow the removal from the tube one at a time. Repeat this procedure until the magazine tube is completely empty.

Fig. 18



## Interchangeable Choke Tubes

All Charles Daly semi-auto hunting type shotguns, except slug models, come with 3 interchangeable internal choke tubes and a choke tube wrench. All competition models come with 3 interchangeable external choke tubes. You have the ability to modify your pattern density by installing interchangeable chokes of different constrictions. See Fig. 19.



Your VR-MC barrel is threaded for your choke tubes. For internal tubes, insert the wrench into the slotted portion of the tube and turn counterclockwise to remove it from the barrel and turn clockwise to install it. Fig. 20.

For external tubes, simply grasp the knurled end of the tube and twist it off or on as necessary.

### WARNING

When installing a choke tube in your barrel, make sure that the tube is completely screwed down tight in the barrel. Never discharge your shotgun without the choke tubes installed as this may damage the barrel. Choke tubes may become loose after extended firing and should be checked frequently for tightness.

### STEEL SHOT WARNING

Steel shotshells should only be used with modified tubes or tubes with less constriction than modified tubes. Do not fire steel shot through Full choke tubes or tubes with greater constriction than Full.

