



NEW AND EXPANDED SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

TO: THOMPSON CENTER FIREARMS DISTRIBUTORS

RE: IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE – NOVEMBER 11, 2011 RECALL OF ALL THOMPSON CENTER VENTURE RIFLES MANUFACTURED PRIOR TO OCTOBER 28, 2011.

On November 11, 2011, Smith & Wesson expanded its recall of its Thompson Center Venture rifles. This recall applies to ALL Venture rifles manufactured prior to October 28, 2011. A copy of the New and Expanded Safety Recall Notice is enclosed.

During an internal technical review, Smith & Wesson identified a condition that may exist with the sear supplied with some rifles that would allow the rifle to fire without the trigger being pulled. In the interest of consumer safety, we are initiating this recall to allow for the prompt inspection and, if necessary, the repair and replacement of each sear.

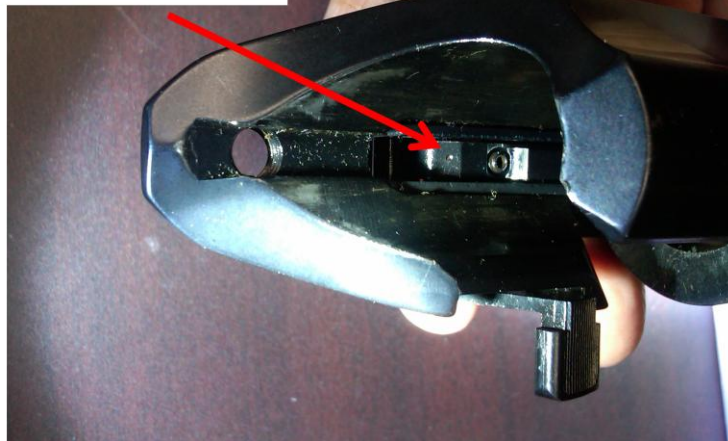
We have enclosed a form which identifies the serial numbers of all affected Venture rifles which were supplied to your company. To facilitate this recall, we are asking for your help, and we request that you immediately undertake the following actions:

1. Review your inventory and determine whether any of the rifles on the attached list remain in your inventory. Please contact us at 1-800-713-0356 or at venturerecall@smith-wesson.com to arrange for immediate return of your rifles to Smith & Wesson.
2. Please review your sales information and provide us with the names, addresses and telephone numbers of all dealers and retailers to whom you have sold the remaining Venture rifles. Please complete the attached form to identify the purchasers of those Venture rifles, and email the form back to Smith & Wesson at venturerecall@smith-wesson.com.
3. Smith & Wesson is committed to producing safe and reliable firearms, which are unmatched in terms of quality and performance. This campaign is part of our ongoing effort to provide the highest quality products, and we thank you for your cooperation in this effort.

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PRODUCT:	<u>ALL</u> Thompson Center Venture Rifles manufactured prior to October 28, 2011.
DESCRIPTION OF THE HAZARD:	During an internal technical review, Smith & Wesson identified a condition that may exist with the sear supplied with some rifles that would allow the rifle to fire without the trigger being pulled. In the interest of consumer safety, we are initiating this recall to allow for the prompt inspection and, if necessary, the repair of each rifle.
DESCRIPTION OF THE PRODUCT INVOLVED:	This broadens the recall announced by Smith & Wesson on November 8, 2011. This recall applies to <u>ALL</u> Venture rifles manufactured prior to October 28, 2011. To determine if your rifle is affected, please reference the serial number list located at www.smith-wesson.com/venturerecall or by calling Smith & Wesson directly at 1-800-713-0356. If your serial number does not fall within the list of affected serial numbers, your rifle is not part of this recall.
REMEDY/ ACTION TO BE TAKEN:	STOP USING YOUR RIFLE. Any unintended discharge of a firearm has the potential to cause injury or death, and we ask that you stop using your rifle until we have an opportunity to inspect the sear to make certain that there is no condition which will allow the rifle to fire without the trigger being pulled. To facilitate the inspection and, if necessary, repair of your rifle, please contact Smith & Wesson's customer service department to receive instructions and a prepaid return label for the return of your rifle to Smith & Wesson. When you return your rifle to Smith & Wesson, be sure to attach the completed information card received from Smith & Wesson, so that your rifle can be returned to you as quickly and efficiently as possible.
VERIFICATION OF CORRECTIVE ACTION:	When your rifle is returned, you should note a punch dot on the trigger assembly. See the photograph below. This punch dot is confirmation that your sear has been inspected and the hazard has not been found or has been corrected.

**Punch mark visible
when bolt removed**



When your rifle sear is returned, you should also note a red checkmark on the label on the outside of your box. See the photograph above. This checkmark is further confirmation that your sear has been inspected and the hazard has not been found or has been corrected.

**CONSUMER
CONTACT:**

Please contact Smith & Wesson directly at 1-800-713-0356, or at venturerecall@smith-wesson.com to arrange for the inspection and repair, if necessary, of your rifle.