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HODGDON POWDER CO., INC. 2026 HODGDON ANNUAL MANUAL The Hodgdon 2026 Annual Reloading Manual contains not only Hodgdon load data, but also data for IMR, Winchester, Ramshot and Accurate powders. It features more than 11,000 loads for rifle and handgun cartridges.

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2026 Hodgdon Annual Manual Safety Instructions

Introduction

Welcome to the 2026 Hodgdon Annual Manual. This manual provides essential information on the safe use of Hodgdon, IMR, Winchester, Ramshot, and Accurate powders. It is crucial to adhere to safety guidelines to ensure a safe reloading experience.

General Safety Guidelines

- Always read and understand this manual before using any reloading products.
- Store all powders and reloading materials in a cool, dry place, away from direct sunlight and heat sources.
- Keep all reloading components out of reach of children and pets.
- Use reloading equipment only for its intended purpose.
- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) such as safety glasses and gloves when handling powders and reloading materials.
- Ensure your workspace is wellventilated to minimize inhalation of fumes.
- Dispose of any waste materials and empty containers according to local regulations.

Specific Safety Precautions for Use

- Verify that you are using the correct powder type and charge weight as indicated in the manual.
- Do not exceed the maximum load data provided in this manual.
- Use a reliable scale for measuring powder charges.
- Always doublecheck your load data before beginning a reloading session.
- Avoid using damaged or corroded components.
- Never smoke or allow open flames near your reloading area.
- Be cautious when handling primers and powders; they are sensitive to shock and heat.

Instructions for Installation and Usage

1. Preparation:

- Gather all necessary materials: powders, primers, brass cases, projectiles, and reloading tools.
- Ensure your work area is clean and organized.

2. Setting Up Your Reloading Press:

- Follow the manufacturer's instructions to set up your reloading press.
- Ensure all components are securely fastened and in good condition.

3. Measuring Powder Charges:

- Use a calibrated scale to measure your powder charges accurately.
- Always check the scale's calibration before use.

4. Seating Bullets:

- Carefully seat the bullets to the recommended overall length specified in the load data.
- Ensure that the bullet is securely seated to avoid any movement during handling.

5. Inspection:

- Inspect each completed cartridge for proper seating and overall appearance.

- Discard any cartridges that appear damaged or improperly loaded.

6. Storage of Finished Cartridges:

- Store finished cartridges in a cool, dry place, away from heat sources and direct sunlight.
- Label storage containers clearly to avoid confusion.

Disposal Instructions

- Dispose of unused powders and reloading materials according to local hazardous waste regulations.
- Do not throw powders or primers in regular trash.
- Contact local waste management for guidance on proper disposal methods.

Contact Information for Further Support

For any questions or concerns regarding the use of this manual or the products, please contact the manufacturer directly. Ensure that you have the product details available for reference.

Conclusion

By following the safety instructions outlined in this manual, you can enjoy a safe and successful reloading experience. Always prioritize safety and consult this manual whenever necessary.

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