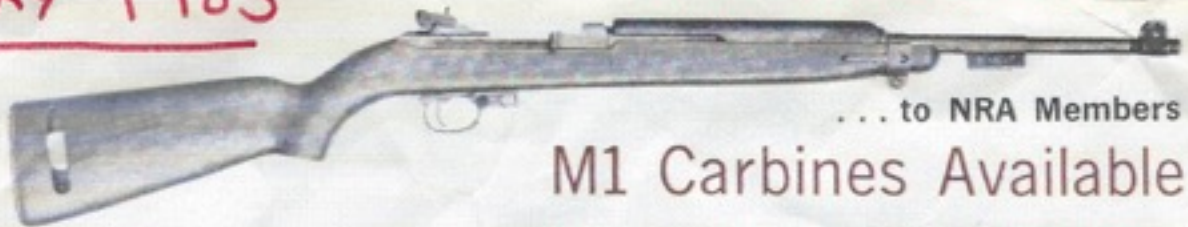


**THE GOOD OL' DAYS - GOOD, IF NOT GREAT CARBINES FOR \$20!**

MAY 1963

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... to NRA Members

## M1 Carbines Available

**T**HE Department of the Army has authorized the sale of M1 cal. .30 carbines to NRA adult members. These carbines are used, unserviceable arms, unclassified as to the degree of unserviceability and completeness. Inspection at depot level is limited to a "safe to fire" condition with conventional ammunition normally associated with this arm. They are shipped "as is", without any rework, maintenance, or further preservation being accomplished by the shipping installation. Carbines will be furnished without magazines, slings, or oilers. Carbines will sell for \$20, including packing and handling. Shipping charges will be collect. Magazines are available from commercial sources, some of which advertise in THE AMERICAN RIFLEMAN.

**Description of carbine** — The U. S. Carbine, Cal. .30, M1, commonly known as the M1 carbine, is a gas-operated shoulder arm capable only of semi-automatic fire, using a detachable box-magazine of 15- or 30-shot capacity. It weighs about 5½ lbs., is 35.6" long with an 18" barrel. The carbine is chambered for the cal. .30 carbine cartridge. This cartridge does not interchange with that used in the M1903 or M1 rifles. Spare parts for the M1 carbine are not available through the Director of Civilian Marksmanship.

Detailed information on the M1 carbine, including functioning, takedown and assembly, and reloading data is available in AMERICAN RIFLEMAN Reprint #11 at 50¢ per copy.

**Purchase of ammunition**—Cal. .30 car-

bine ammunition may be purchased by NRA members or NRA-affiliated clubs from certain Army Depots at \$3.04 per round, in minimum sale quantities of 600 rounds.

**Item Stock No.** 1305-028-6509-A182  
**Description:** Cartridge, Cal. .30, Carbine, Ball, M1 10-round clip, minimum sale, 600 rds.

**Price:** \$3.04 each round

Purchase requests and instruction forms are available upon request from NRA Headquarters.

**How to order**—The NRA will process all M1 carbine orders for its members. Use the purchase request below, or obtain a purchase request from NRA.

**If you are a member**— Send your purchase request to:

Government Equipment Section,  
National Rifle Association,  
1600 Rhode Island Ave., N.W.,  
Washington 6, D. C.

Include with your request:

(a) A complete address label from a recent AMERICAN RIFLEMAN magazine, or your NRA membership card, or a photocopy of it.

(b) Mailing address if different from shipping address.

**If you are not a member**— Send your purchase request, along with your endorsed membership application and your membership dues, to the National Rifle Association at the above address.

*Do not send payment for carbine with membership dues.*

The NRA will certify that you are a member so your purchase request may be processed. Your NRA membership credentials will be sent directly to you.

*Please do not send membership application or dues to government depots.*

**Present members plus new members eligible** — The privilege of purchasing an M1 carbine applies to members who have just joined the National Rifle Association as well as present members. Present members can invite sportsmen to join the NRA now and take immediate advantage of all benefits.

New membership applications should bear the endorsement or nomination signature of a present NRA member, public official, or officer of the Armed Forces so that new membership cards can be issued promptly. A membership application blank appears on page 121.

**Payment for carbines** — Do not send payment for carbine with the purchase request. Wait for detailed instructions to be sent to you.

**Shipping information** — Shipment will be made by express or motor freight and shipping charges will be collect. Shipping charges will be in addition and will be collected by the carrier when the carbine is delivered.

The Army wishes to emphasize the following information:

(a) Depots will cancel all purchase authorizations if the purchaser's money has not been received within 30 days from the date of authorization.

(b) Carbines must be examined immediately upon receipt, preferably in the presence of the carrier's agent, to ascertain if any damages have occurred in shipment. Claims for damage in shipment must be filed by the purchaser against the carrier.

### U. S. M1 CARBINE PURCHASE REQUEST

Government Equipment Section • National Rifle Association • 1600 Rhode Island Ave., N.W. • Washington 6, D. C.

I desire to purchase for my own use and not for resale:

**ONE U. S. M1 Carbine in condition "Unclassified-Unserviceable"**

I have not previously purchased an M1 Carbine from the U. S. Government. I am a citizen over 18 years of age and a member of the National Rifle Association, as evidenced by the enclosed membership card, or photocopy, or a mailing label from a recent "American Rifleman" magazine. I understand the condition of this firearm is "Unclassified-Unserviceable", having received a limited inspection to determine that it is "safe to fire", and that the U. S. Government implies no warranty of the firearm covered by this document. Acceptance of this carbine by me relieves the U. S. Government of all responsibilities as regards malfunctions or accidents that may occur from it being fired by the original purchaser, subsequent purchaser, or any other party, and that final inspection is the sole and total responsibility of the purchaser.

Shipping address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State)

(Print name in full)

(Sign name in full)

Mailing address if different from shipping address \_\_\_\_\_

Between 1963 - 1967, the Director of Civilian Marksmanship (DCM) sold approximately 240,000 M1 Carbines to members of the National Rifle Association (NRA). Many of these were in mint, factory-original configuration. They were declared “unserviceable” for a few reasons, including being surplus to the needs of the military at that time, government inefficiency, and if the carbine was missing the latest parts (rotary safety, bayonet lug, adjustable rear sight). Regardless of whether the carbines were in factory-original configuration or rebuilt, all were clean and in good working order.

Although the \$20 price was an incredible bargain and a wise investment at that time, we must keep this in historical perspective. The median annual income for American families in 1963 was \$6200, or about \$500 a month. That’s about \$125 per week. And we must remember that carbines were not widely considered collectors’ items at that time. They were “plinkers” and small game hunting rifles.

In 2015, the median annual income for American families was over \$53,000. That’s more than \$1000 per week...and that’s about what the average good rebuilt carbine sells for these days!

**PROBLEM...** *what to do with your surplus M-1 carbine?*

**CONVERT TO A USEABLE, ALL PURPOSE SPORTER!**  
*THE DIFFERENCE IS LIKE NIGHT AND DAY!*

**THE JOHNSON MMJ® 5.7/mm DELUXE SPORTER SPITFIRE**  
 A practical conversion for NRA and other M1 carbines! A lightweight, high velocity, low recoil rifle, the 5.7mm (.223 in. dia.) is a deadly accurate year-round gun! Select from the several possible conversions.

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From the October 1964 issue of the NRA’s “American Rifleman” magazine (contributed by Louis Losi).

From the October 1963 issue of the NRA's "American Rifleman" magazine. Note the black arrow superimposed alongside the Carbine Rear Sight: "A must for every DCM Carbine. Don't be caught short this hunting season. Superior accuracy. These milled new original rear sights will enhance your shooting beyond your wildest dreams. Only \$2.49." (contributed by Louis Losi).

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**Carbine Stock**  
U.S. 30 Cal. Carbine Stocks, Original G.I. issue, complete with all metal fittings including butt plate, etc. 11.95.



**Bayonet**—BRAND NEW Carbine bayonets with self sharpening scabbards. 5.95.



**Carbine Rear Sight**—A must for every DCM Carbine. Don't be caught short this hunting season. Superior accuracy. These milled new original G.I. issue rear sights will enhance your shooting beyond your wildest dreams. Only 2.49.



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**2 M1 Carbine, 15 shot magazines with pouch.** 4.49



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Web Sling .....	\$1.25
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Trigger Spring Tool .....	2 for 1.50
15 Shot Mag. ....	\$1.99; 2 for 3.50
15 Shot Pouch (holds 2 mags.) .....	1.00
10 Shot Carbine Stripper Clips .....	5 for 1.00
Cleaning rod complete .....	1.49
30 cal. brass brushes .....	6 for 1.00
30 Shot Mag. ....	4.95
30 Shot Mag. Pouch (holds 2) .....	2.99

### More More More Carbine Parts

Firing Pin .....	\$1.00
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Trigger .....	2.00
Hammer .....	2.00
Bolt Complete .....	4.00
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Sear .....	1.00
Safety late type .....	.75
Extractor .....	1.00

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