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Correct Caliber Headstamped Brass Available At Ten-X Ammunition

Several Calibers Brought Back To Life With Correct Headstamps

MONTCLAIR, CA — July 24, 2006 — Ten-X Ammunition, in collaboration with Jamison International of Sturgis, SD, has brought several calibers back to life with correct caliber headstamped brass.

“The demand for the specialty, or what is sometimes referred to as obsolete cartridges, has been growing steadily over that past 20 years,” said Richard Pumerantz, owner of Ten-X Ammunition. “Replicas and previously undiscovered original firearms have been made available to the shooting world by firearms manufacturers and importers. Companies like A. Uberti, Pedersoli, C. Sharps, Chaparral, Armi Sport, and others have brought back parts of our rich history of firearms from the old west by creating replica arms. The buffalo and military rifles of the mid to late 19th century are being reborn with vigor. Our role as a specialty ammunition manufacturer is to work hand-in-hand with the firearms manufacturers and importers to ensure that there is a readily available supply of ammunition of the highest quality and performance to match these fine guns. That includes having high quality, caliber specific headstamped brass.”

More than creation of quality reproductions firearms is driving this demand. The discovery of stashes of antique military firearms, like those revealed to the world from an armory in Nepal by Christian Cranmer, president of International Military Antiques, have rekindled a spirit in the hearts of many collectors, history buffs, and even a new generation of shooting enthusiasts.

Correct Brass Makes A Difference

For many years, having brass in calibers like 45-110, 45-120, 56-50, 38-56, 32-40, 40-60, 45-60, 45-75, 50-95, and many others, meant cutting-down, reforming, or turning-down so-called parent brass to enable a reloader to use an antique or even a replica firearm. Parent brass like 45 Basic, 45-70, 348, 50-70, and brass shotshell cases were modified to accomplish the intended goal. But often, the reloader would encounter rims that were too thick or too thin, undersized rim diameters, and wall thicknesses on cut-down brass that wouldn't allow for the proper bullet diameter to allow the cartridge to fit the chamber. This often led to brass that had a limited number of reloads available due to the stresses of reformation.

Caliber specific brass is correctly headstamped and was designed to function with maximum performance in their corresponding firearm. Ten-X Ammunition and Jamison International collaborated on the rebirth of the Winchester 1876 line of brass to function in the new replicas from Chaparral and A. Uberti, as well as in the original Winchester firearms.

“In the case of the Winchester ‘76, rim diameter and wall thickness are critical,” said Mark Jamison, president of Jamison International. “The chambers have tight tolerances and the reformed brass has a larger wall thickness that can make use of the proper bullet diameter difficult to allow the cartridge to chamber and fire correctly. The rim and head dimensions also play a major role in the smooth functioning of this lever gun, and parent brass can often lead to problems with spent cartridge extraction. Our goal is to create the highest quality brass that will function in replicas and originals alike, and provide for a good number of reloadings.”

Cartridges Available With Caliber Specific Brass

Ten-X Ammunition has released several cartridges with a Ten-X headstamp, and others with a Jamison headstamp. New Ten-X headstamped cartridges now include 32-40, 38-55, 45-70, 45-90, 45-120, 50-70, 56-50 Spencer, 577 Snider, and 577-450 Martini-Henry. These are in

addition to the 45 Colt brass that already has a Ten-X headstamp. The new caliber specific brass with Jamison headstamps that Ten-X Ammunition is loading include 38-56, 40-60 Win, 45-60, 45-75, 45-110, and, soon, 50-95. As the popularity of reviving antique calibers continues to grow, Ten-X Ammunition will be there to provide a reliable source of ammunition with the highest quality and performance.

Visit www.TenXAmmo.com for information on pricing and reloading services. Also, visit www.IMA-USA.com for information about Martini-Henry and Snider rifles.

Founded in 1992, Ten-X Ammunition is the leader in specialty lead ammunition for cowboy action shooting sports and hunting. They offer a wide range of specialty cartridges with the highest level of quality and performance that are safe to use in functional original firearms.