

Bilson Arms

BA-15/9 FC Series Owner's Manual
Forward Charging System



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! WARNING: IF THIS FIREARM IS CARELESSLY OR IMPROPERLY HANDLED, UNINTENTIONAL DISCHARGE COULD *RESULT* AND COULD CAUSE INJURY, DEATH, OR DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.

***CAUTION:
PRIOR TO LOADING AND FIRING, CAREFULLY READ THIS
INSTRUCTION MANUAL WHICH GIVES BASIC ADVICE ON
THE PROPER HANDLING AND FUNCTIONING OF THIS
FIREARMS SYSTEM.***

LIFETIME SERVICE CONTRACT

With the included Limited Lifetime Warranty and for as long as this BILSON ARMS firearm is owned by the original purchaser, BILSON ARMS offers to service and repair any defects or malfunction in this BILSON ARMS firearm, excluding the finish, grips, sights, or magazine, without charge. Requests for service should be submitted in writing, together with proof of purchase and the firearm (insurance and shipment prepaid by the purchaser), to an authorized service center. Return shipment and Insurance shall be paid by BILSON ARMS, provided the service is covered by this service contract. This service contract is extended only to the original purchaser, is not transferable, and shall be waived if the defect or malfunction was caused by neglect, abuse, careless handling, willful damage, damage caused by overpressure ammunition, or unauthorized ammunition, ordinary wear and tear, unreasonable use, or failure to provide reasonable and necessary maintenance as set forth in the instruction manual. Moreover, this agreement will not apply to those parts of your BILSON ARMS firearm which have been “tuned” or “gunsmith” for performance other than customized tuning and other services provided by an authorized Armorer.

Please visit BilsonArms.com to register your Rifle for warranty coverage. Registering will also help us notify you of any Safety Related Information, including Recall or Service Notifications.

NOTICE: It is illegal to, among other things, ship a firearm with ammunition in the firearm or in the same packaging. Firearms and ammunition must be shipped separately. Make sure you are in compliance with all local and federal laws when shipping a firearm for repair under this service contract to any authorized service center.

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WARNING: READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.

BE SURE YOU UNDERSTAND THESE INSTRUCTIONS AND WARNINGS BEFORE USING THIS FIREARM. FAILURE TO READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS AND TO FOLLOW THESE WARNINGS MAY RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH

TO YOU AND OTHERS AND DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.

THIS SAFETY & INSTRUCTION MANUAL SHOULD ALWAYS ACCOMPANY THIS FIREARM AND BE TRANSFERRED WITH IT UPON CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP OR POSSESSION.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE USE OF THIS FIREARM BY FOLLOWING THIS QR CODE TO BILSON ARMS.COM:



1. Introduction

Congratulations on your purchase of the Bilson Arms Firearm! This forward-charging rifle is designed for reliability, accuracy, and ease of use. Please read this manual thoroughly to ensure safe and proper operation of your firearm.

2. Safety Information

Basic Safety Rules

- Always treat every firearm as if it is loaded.
- Keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction at all times.
- Keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to shoot.
- Be sure of your target and what is beyond it.
- Wear appropriate eye and ear protection when shooting.

3. Specifications

-BA-15FC BA-9FC Multi Caliber

4. Components and Controls

Major Components

- Upper Receiver
- Lower Receiver
- Barrel
- Handguard
- Forward Charging system
- Stock
- Magazine

Controls

- Safety Selector: Located on the both sides of the lower receiver.
- Magazine Release: Located on the right side of the lower receiver.
- Bolt Catch: Located on the left side of the lower receiver.
- Forward Charging Handle: Located at the front of the handguard.

5. Assembly and Disassembly

Disassembly

1. Ensure the firearm is unloaded and the safety selector is on "SAFE".
2. Remove the magazine by pressing the magazine release button.
3. Pull the rear takedown pin and pivot the upper receiver away from the lower receiver.
4. Pull the front takedown pin to separate the upper and lower receivers.

Bolt Carrier Group Removal (BCG)

1. Remove rear cap with provided 3/32nd Allen key ->. As shown in illustration 1.
2. Remove Bolt Carrier Group(BCG) as shown in illustration 2.

(Although the disassembly is not required on the forward charging system (FCS)— Lubrication is required.)

Assembly

1. Ensure the firearm is unloaded and the safety selector is on "SAFE".
2. Align the upper and lower receivers and insert the front takedown pin.
3. Pivot the upper receiver down onto the lower receiver and insert the rear takedown pin.
4. Attach the magazine by inserting it into the magazine well until it clicks.

6. Loading and Unloading

1. To LOAD THE RIFLE: While holding the gun with a solid grip in your primary hand, at the compressed ready position, with your trigger finger on the Safety Index Point and the rifle pointed in a safe direction, insert the Magazine fully into the rifle.

Illustration 1



Illustration 2



2. This can be done with the bolt locked open OR in the fully forward position (“in battery”). You may want to tug on the magazine baseplate to ensure that it was properly seated.

3. To CHAMBER A ROUND for firing: Ensure your finger is not on the trigger. Depressing the locking lever on the Forward Charging System(FCS), Pull firmly and sharply to the rear and allow the FCS to spring forward, ensuring the FCS is fully locked into the forward and locked position. Rotate the safety to the “FIRE” position and the chamber is now loaded.

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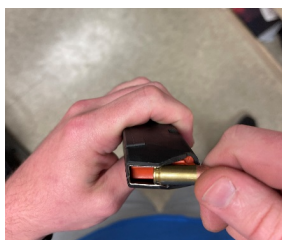
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First Round

Additional Rounds

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Additional Rounds

Unloading

1. Place the safety selector on "SAFE".
2. Remove the magazine by pressing the magazine release button.
3. Pull the forward charging handle to the rear to eject any chambered round.
4. Inspect the chamber to ensure it is empty.

7. Operation

Firing

1. Ensure the firearm is loaded and the safety selector is on "FIRE".
2. Aim at your target.
3. Squeeze the trigger to fire.
4. The firearm will cycle automatically and chamber the next round.

8. Maintenance and Cleaning

Cleaning

1. Ensure the firearm is unloaded.
2. Disassemble the firearm as described in Section 5.
3. Use a cleaning rod, patches, and solvent to clean the barrel from the chamber end.
4. Clean the bolt carrier group and other components with a brush and solvent.
5. Lubricate all moving parts with a light coat of gun oil.
6. Reassemble the firearm.

Regular Maintenance

- Clean the firearm after each use.
- Inspect for wear and damage regularly.
- Replace any worn or damaged parts.

9. Troubleshooting

- ****Failure to Fire****: Check for proper ammunition and ensure the safety selector is on "FIRE".
- ****Failure to Eject****: Clean the chamber and check the extractor.
- ****Failure to Feed****: Check the magazine and ammunition.

Contacting Support

For additional support, contact Bilson Arms customer service at 337-314-9481 or visit our website at www.bilsonarms.com.

10. Warranty and Service

Warranty

Bilson Arms provides a limited lifetime warranty for the original owner. This warranty covers defects in materials and workmanship.

Service

For warranty service, contact Bilson Arms at 337-314-9481. Include your proof of purchase and a detailed description of the issue.

ADDITIONAL SAFETY WARNINGS AND REMINDERS:

- **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR FIREARM(S) AT ALL TIMES.** In owning a firearm, you must undertake full-time responsibility for your firearm's appropriate use and security. You must protect yourself and all others against injury or death from inappropriate use of any firearm at all times.
- **APPROPRIATE USE OF YOUR FIREARM MEANS USING YOUR FIREARM FOR LEGAL PURPOSES.** For example: training, practice, target shooting, competition,

hunting and lawful resistance of deadly force. It is your responsibility to know the laws governing firearms ownership and use to which you are subjected.

- **NEVER RELY ON MECHANICAL SAFETY FEATURES ALONE.** Only your responsible ownership and use will prevent injury or death involving your firearms.
- **ALWAYS USE THE CORRECT AMMUNITION FOR YOUR PARTICULAR FIREARM** as indicated by the marking on the firearm. Never use non-standard, damaged, corroded, reloaded or “handloaded” ammunition which has not been subjected to internal ballistic pressure testing.
- **BEWARE OF BARREL OBSTRUCTIONS.** Be sure the barrel is clear of obstructions before shooting. Any obstruction can cause a dangerous increase in pressure and may damage your firearm and/or cause injury or death to you or others.
- **BE SURE ALL ACCESSORIES, INCLUDING AMMUNITION ARE COMPATIBLE** with your firearm and that the accessories do not interfere with safe operation of your firearm. It is your responsibility to understand and follow all of the instructions in this manual, as well as those which may accompany accessories.
- **NEVER DISASSEMBLE YOUR FIREARM** further than is described in this manual. Improper disassembly or reassembly of your firearm can lead to injury or death.
- **NEVER MANIPULATE, ADJUST OR CHANGE ANY OF THE INTERNAL COMPONENTS OF YOUR FIREARM** in Anyway, not specified in this manual.
- **DO NOT PERFORM, nor allow others to perform, IMPROPER OR NEGLIGENT MODIFICATIONS OR REPAIRS TO THE FIREARM.**
- **NEVER modify your firearm in any way to REDUCE OR NEGATE THE OPERATION OF INTERNAL SAFETY**

MECHANISMS. Modifying ANY part of the trigger or striker mechanisms in your firearm can dangerously affect internal safety mechanisms and result in injury or death to you or others.

SAFE STORAGE and PREVENTING UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS

When your firearm is not under your immediate Control, it is your responsibility to prevent unauthorized access to your firearm. Those who should not be allowed to access, possess, utilize or attempt to control a firearm include:

Persons not physically capable of operating or controlling the firearm properly.

Persons not intellectually capable of understanding how to operate or control firearms properly.

Persons not mature enough to, or intellectually capable of, understanding the ramifications of improper use of the firearm.

Persons under the influence of any drug, alcohol or substance that could impair their perception, judgment or motor skills.

Persons dealing with a present mental health condition that impairs their perception, judgment, or motor skills.

Persons Contemplating Suicide.

Persons with malicious, violent, or criminal intent.

Keep in mind that YOU could become an “unauthorized person” at some point, knowing when to remove immediate access to your own firearms is part of Responsible Gun Ownership—

AMMUNITION SAFETY

WARNING: ONLY USE AMMUNITION SPECIFICALLY DESIGNATED FOR USE IN YOUR FIREARM.

FAILURE TO USE THE CORRECT TYPE OR CALIBER OF AMMUNITION MAY CAUSE THE FIREARM TO MALFUNCTION OR MAY GENERATE EXCESSIVE PRESSURE WHICH CAN DAMAGE THE FIREARMS AND/OR CAUSE INJURY OR DEATH TO YOU OR OTHERS.

WARNING: ALWAYS INSPECT YOUR AMMUNITION BEFORE USING IT. NEVER USE DIRTY, CORRODED OR DAMAGED AMMUNITION.

WARNING: DISCHARGING FIREARMS IN POORLY VENTILATED AREAS, CLEANING FIREARMS, OR HANDLING AMMUNITION MAY RESULT IN EXPOSURE TO LEAD AND OTHER SUBSTANCES KNOWN TO CAUSE CANCER, BIRTH DEFECTS, REPRODUCTIVE HARM, AND OTHER SERIOUS PHYSICAL INJURY. HAVE

ADEQUATE VENTILATION AT ALL TIMES. WASH HANDS THOROUGHLY AFTER EXPOSURE.

Thank you for choosing Bilson Arms. Enjoy your new Firearm and always shoot safely!