

MAS MODEL 1949 7.5X54, \$850

GUN TESTS GRADE: A-

The 1949 MAS was longer than the 49-56, with a 23-inch barrel. This reconditioned rifle shot very well despite a really bad trigger. All the parts of the gun looked great, with fresh Parkerizing and a very decent barrel.



SPECIFICATIONS

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| Overall Length..... | 42.5 in. | Weight Unloaded..... | 9.4 lbs. | Magazine Type..... | Detachable |
| Barrel Length..... | 23 in. | Weight Loaded..... | 9.9 lbs. | Stock..... | Two-Piece Wood |
| Sight Radius..... | 25.5 in. | Capacity..... | 10+1 | Trigger Pull Weight..... | 14.0 lbs. |
| Overall Height..... | 8.5 in. | Action Finish..... | Parkerized | Warranty..... | N/A |
| LOP..... | 13.0 in. | Action Type..... | Semiautomatic | Telephone..... | (877) 214-9327 |
| | | Barrel Finish..... | Parkerized | Website..... | www.CollectorsFirearms.com |



The Model 1949 MAS had a bare tube at the front. The protruding rod is for stacking the rifles in camp. The front sight



is well protected by two heavy ears. Some versions of this rifle had grenade sights.



Top arrow: All the MAS rifles have a slotted bar on the left side of the receiver for scope mounting. The 1949 had a smaller trigger guard than the later rifle. The wood on this sample was new. Bottom arrow: The magazine-attaching mount is part of the magazine. The magazines held 10 rounds. These rifles were very solidly built and simple to maintain.

The screw at the top of the aperture shroud is actually part of the aperture itself. Each half-turn of the screw raises or lowers the aperture, permitting the coordination of the impact with the tangent sight, which runs from 200 to 1200 yards. There is also a screw for windage, and the calibration "0" for that adjustment is to the left of the aperture shroud.



This slotted screw allows removal of the trigger group. Be sure the hammer is cocked before removing the screw. There's also a spring detent to help keep the screw tight.



This shows the cut in the side of the action for the magazine. Larger-capacity magazines have been made, but in the brief time we spent looking, we could not find a source for them. Magazines for the 7.5 and the 7.62 interchanged.

