

S&W MODEL 325 NIGHT GUARD 45 ACP, \$1082

Gun Tests grade: D

The Night Guard had a tritium front sight that perched precariously on top of the ramp. Yet the rear sight was thick and durable. The idea was to provide "bullet-proof" sights. We think S&W failed, because the gun shot very low, and there was no easy way to change that. The Night Guard was well made, but a longer barrel and better setup would have made us like it. We could not work the DA trigger with a proper grip on the gun.



SPECIFICATIONS

OVERALL LENGTH 7.7 IN.
OVERALL HEIGHT 5.6 IN.
BARREL LENGTH..... 2.75 IN.
SIGHT RADIUS..... 3.9 IN.
FRONT STRAP HEIGHT..... 2.3 IN.
BACK STRAP HEIGHT..... 3.8 IN.
WEIGHT UNLOADED..... 28 OZ.
CAPACITY..... 6
MAXIMUM WIDTH 1.7 IN.
GRIP THICKNESS (MAX) 1.4 IN.
GRIP CIRCUMFERENCE (MAX)..... 5.0 IN.
FRAME MATERIAL/FINISH..... SCANDIUM
BARREL STAINLESS STEEL INSERT
GRIP MATERIAL/FINISH..... BLACK RUBBER

TRIGGER PULL WEIGHT SINGLE ACTION..... 4.5 LBS.
TRIGGER PULL WEIGHT DOUBLE ACTION..OVER 14 LBS.
TRIGGER SPAN SINGLE ACTION 3.3 IN.
TRIGGER SPAN DOUBLE ACTION..... 3.9 IN.
WARRANTY ONE YEAR
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The U-notch rear was too low, or the tritium-topped front was too high for the Night Guard to hit where it looked. That glowing front sight and the gun's light weight were just about its only good features.



Replacing the too-thick rubber unit with wood or other panels that expose the back strap would shorten the trigger span and make it easier to reach that trigger for DA use.