



Colt® M16A2 Model 723 Carbine
and Model 733 Commando

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Colt® M16A2 Model 723 Carbine and Model 733 Commando Combat Proven Family of Weapons

Both the Colt M16A2 Carbine, and Commando Models are smaller, more compact versions of the M16A2 Rifle, intended for use wherever lightness and speed of action is required. The light 14.5" (37cm) barrel of the Carbine reduces weight and makes this weapon extremely quick handling without significantly reducing effectiveness under practical field application. The 11.5" (29.0cm) barrel of the Commando further enhances the portability and concealability of this weapon. Both the Carbine and the Commando have sliding buttstocks which allow the buttstocks to slide forward for carrying or storage, without compromising the ruggedness or shooting qualities of either weapon.

Both weapons are favorites with paratroopers and special forces, and are widely used by unit commanders, vehicle and heavy weapons crews, and other groups whose primary function is other than first line infantry operations. With its extremely short barrel, the Commando is also ideal for various security applications because it can be carried in the slung position with a minimum of inconvenience and bulk, much like a submachine gun, yet be instantly available to provide the power, accuracy and long range of a 5.56mm rifle. The rear field sight is adjustable for windage,



The sliding buttstock is much more rugged than the usual folding stocks found on most carbines. When extended, the butt is very rigid, allowing the Carbine and Commando to be fired with the accuracy of a solid buttstock weapon.



All of the moving parts are interchangeable with those used in the M16A2 rifle, assuring trouble-free operation and long life. All 20 round and 30 round Colt magazines may be used along with other magazines made to NATO standards.

and incorporates two flip type apertures; for long range (Over 300m) and short range (0-300m).

The majority of parts in the M16 rifle receiver, including all moving parts, such as the bolt, hammer, trigger, etc. are also used in the Carbine and Commando, thereby simplifying supply and maintenance, and ensuring interchangeability and the same reliable operation, accuracy and overall effectiveness that the



SPECIFICATIONS-M16A2 CARBINE-MODEL 723

	English	Metric
Caliber	.223 Rem	5.56 x 45 NATO
Weight (without magazine)	5.9 lb	2.7 kg
—empty magazine (30 RD)	.25 lb	0.11 kg
—loaded magazine (30 RD)	1.0 lb	0.45 kg
Length (stock extended)	33.0 in	.84m
Length (stock retracted)	29.8 in	.76m
Barrel Length	14.5 in	.37m
Muzzle Velocity (M193)	3020 ft/sec	921 m/sec
Muzzle Velocity (5.56mm NATO)	2970 ft/sec	906 m/sec
Muzzle Energy (M193)	1113 ft lb	155 kg-m
Muzzle Energy (5.56mm NATO)	1213 ft lb	167 kg-m
Maximum Eff. Range (M193)	393 yds	360m
Maximum Eff. Range (5.56mm NATO)	656 yds	600m
Cyclic rate of fire (RPM)	750-950	750-950
Type of Fire	Semi/Full Auto	Semi/Full Auto

M16A2 COMMANDO-MODEL 733

	English	Metric
Caliber	.223 Rem	5.56 x 45 NATO
Weight (without magazine)	5.75 lb	2.59 kg
—empty magazine (30 RD)	.25 lb	0.11 kg
—loaded magazine (30 RD)	1.0 lb	0.45 kg
Length (stock extended)	30.0 in	.76m
Length (stock retracted)	26.8 in	.68m
Barrel Length	11.5 in	.29m
Muzzle Velocity (M193)	2750 ft/sec	839 m/sec
Muzzle Velocity (5.56mm NATO)	2610 ft/sec	795 m/sec
Muzzle Energy (M193)	925 ft lb	128 kg-m
Muzzle Energy (5.56mm NATO)	938 ft lb	286 kg-m
Maximum Eff. Range (M193)	328 yds	300m
Maximum Eff. Range (5.56mm NATO)	547 yds	500m
Cyclic rate of fire (RPM)	700-900	700-900
Type of Fire	Semi/Full Auto	Semi/Full Auto

world has come to expect from the most universally used 5.56mm rifle.

Both weapons have a barrel with a rifling twist of 1 turn in 7 inches (1 turn in 17.8cm) which allows for the accommodation of the new NATO standard rounds, as well as all 5.56mm ammunitions currently in use around the world. All Colt M16 magazines, as well as 5.56mm NATO stanag magazines, may be used.

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