

# KEL-TEC'S RFB



scope with more eye relief than I really needed. As it turned out, the RFB is a very pleasant gun to shoot. Recoil is mild, and the trigger pull, which measured at seven pounds, felt like much less, and was very smooth. Unlike the FAL, where you tilt and twist the magazines to insert them, magazines are pushed straight into the RFB's magazine well. The bolt release, magazine release and safety are all ambidextrous.

The RFB shot reliably and accurately with all the different rounds, and feeding and ejection were flawless, even with the lacquered steel case Russian ammo. When the magazine was empty, the bolt stayed open, every time. Push the magazine release and the mag drops right out.

My first range session convinced me that the big scope was a bulky encumbrance and a major annoyance, so I switched to the Bushnell TRS-25 ultra-compact red dot sight. I used a Weaver 1" riser mount to bring the sight up to a comfortable height for me, and the sight required only a couple of minor adjustments for correct elevation and windage.

For my next outing, I took the red dot-equipped RFB out to a rough "range" in the desert for some informal shooting. I brought along a quantity of used golf balls, the one useful byproduct of golf. At 10¢ each, they're about the cheap-

est fun target you can buy. And at 25-50 yards, they're easy to pinpoint with the red dot. I also put out a discarded steel silhouette target, about 0.4" thick, at 75 yards, and fired two rounds of TulAmmo FMJ. The resulting holes went all the way through and were 0.5" in diameter.

After shooting, disassembly for cleaning can be accomplished with just the nose of a (dummy) cartridge. Kel-Tec's instruction manual is amply and clearly illustrated and takes you through every step of the process. In fact, it is THE best firearms owner's manual I have encountered, and I've read a lot of them.

The Kel-Tec RFB is a very impressive gun. It's strong, accurate, reliable and, unlike most .308s, great fun to shoot. It begs to have many rounds put through it. The RFB is a reassuring companion for interesting times. The only bad news is, it is not inexpensive. MSRP is \$1,880. For me, the decision was easy: I disposed of my old FAL and my AR-15 at the local gun show. I'll be twice as happy with their successor.

*Kel-Tec CNC Industries Inc.*  
1475 Cox Road  
Cocoa, FL 32926  
Telephone: 321-631-0068  
[www.keltecweapons.com](http://www.keltecweapons.com)