

Ruger Mark IV Pistol Recall

Colorado 4-H Members and Leaders in the .22 Pistol Project. Ruger has announced that it is recalling all Mark IV pistols (including 22/45 models) manufactured prior to June 1, 2017. Ruger recently discovered that the pistols have the potential to discharge unintentionally if the safety is not utilized correctly. All Mark IV pistols with serial numbers beginning with “401” (2017 models) or “WBR” (2016 models) are subject to the recall.

It is highly encouraged that Colorado 4-H Shooting Sports Members using Ruger Mark IV .22 pistols reference the www.Ruger.com/MarkIVRecall website to determine if their pistol is included in the latest manufacturer recall. If a pistol is determined to be included in the recall it should be taken out of use immediately and sent to Ruger following the recall instructions for a free safety upgrade.

As a reminder; Colorado State 4-H Shooting Sports Contest Superintendents and Range Officers may remove any unsafe / malfunctioning firearms, archery equipment or other unsafe gear from the firing line during the State 4-H Shooting Sports contests at any time. Safety of 4-H Shooting Sports Members, Volunteers and those around us is of the utmost importance in the

Colorado 4-H Program. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. Please email Sam Lowry sam.lowry@colostate.edu should you have any questions. Thank you!

Please see the Ruger recall notice below:

RUGER ISSUES SAFETY WARNING AND RECALL NOTICE OF RUGER MARK IV PISTOLS

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Ruger announced that it is recalling all Mark IV pistols (including 22/45 models) manufactured prior to June 1, 2017. Ruger recently discovered that the pistols have the potential to discharge unintentionally if the safety is not utilized correctly. In particular, if the trigger is pulled while the safety lever is midway between the “safe” and “fire” positions (that is, the safety is not fully engaged or fully disengaged), the pistol may not fire when the trigger is pulled. However, if the trigger is released and the safety lever is then moved from the mid position to the “fire” position, the pistol may fire at that time. Although only a small percentage of Mark IV pistols appear to be affected and the Company is not aware of any injuries, Ruger is firmly committed to safety and would like to retrofit all potentially affected pistols with an updated safety mechanism. As a responsible manufacturer, Ruger wants to make its customers aware of this FREE safety upgrade. All Mark IV pistols with serial numbers beginning with “401” (2017 models) or “WBR” (2016 models) are subject to the recall. Mark IV owners should visit the Mark IV Recall website at Ruger.com/MarkIVRecall to look up the serial number of their Mark IV and verify if it is subject to the recall, sign up for the recall, and obtain additional information.