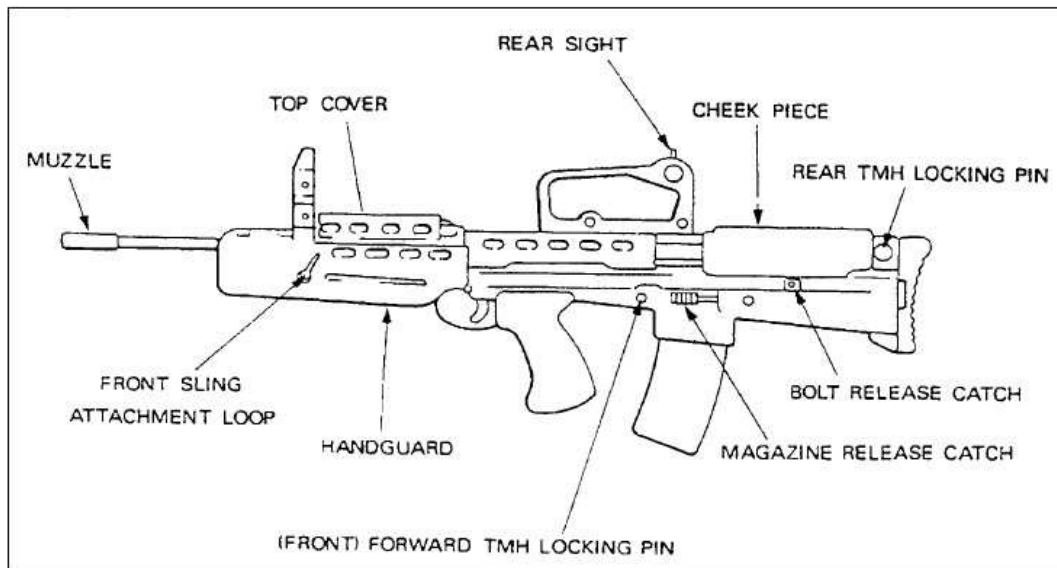


Skill at Arms (SAA)

L98A1 Cadet General Purpose (GP) Rifle



Weapon Safety Rules

Never point it at anyone!

Make sure the weapon is unloaded when handed to you.

Never fire the weapon unless instructed to do so, knowing that you know all safety procedures.

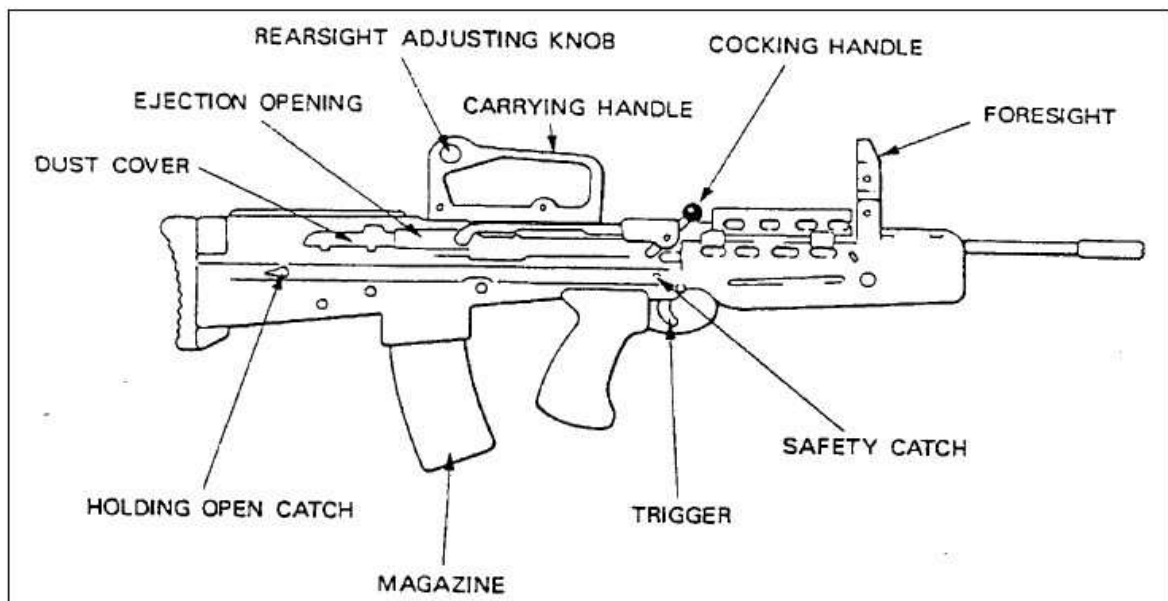
The weapon must be unloaded when traveling in a vehicle or involved in a non-tactical move.

Always carry out NSPs when picking up a weapon.

Never rest the muzzle on the body.

The weapon must always be pointed in a safe direction.

L98-A1 Cadet GP Rifle



NSPs

Must always be carried out:

- 1. At the beginning of a range period, practice or lesson.**
- 2. On return to the armoury.**
- 3. When handing over/receiving a weapon.**
- 4. To check the weapons state if in doubt.**

Carrying out NSP's

1. Adopt the prone position / *to point weapon in safe direction.*
2. Pick up the weapon
3. Apply safety catch.
4. Remove magazine (if fitted)
5. Pull the working parts to the rear and activate the holding open catch look into chamber. (7 point check)
6. If clear (pointed in safe direction) let the working parts forward using bolt release catch.
7. Safety catch to fire.
8. Fire aimed shot in safe direction.
9. Safety catch to safe.
10. Close dust cover.
11. Return hand to handguard

Handing over a weapon

1. Check safety catch.
2. Remove magazine.
3. Pull the working parts to the rear and activate the holding open catch look into chamber.
4. Check clear – if it is clear
5. Pass weapon butt first, ejection opening facing up, demonstrating that body, chamber and bolt face are clear.

Taking over a weapon

1. Demand to be shown that the weapon is clear visually.
2. Ensure safety catch is applied
3. Point weapon in a safe direction.
4. Working parts forward.
5. Safety catch to fire.
6. Take an aimed shot in a safe direction.
7. Safety catch to safe.
8. Close dust cover.
9. Return hand to handguard

Stripping the weapon

1. Check Safety catch
2. Carry out NSPs
3. Ensure safety catch on.
4. Cock the weapon and allow working parts to go forward.
5. **DO NOT** fire off the action.
6. Withdraw TMH rear locking pin to the first groove/click.
7. Withdraw the forward TMH locking pin fully.

8. Cup one hand over end of the rifle; remove the TMH by pulling the butt upwards,
9. Remove the rear locking pin to second groove/click
Keeping the hand to ensure that the spring/recoil rod does not spring out.
-Remove the recoil rod.
10. Slide cocking handle assembly to the rear, remove it.
11. Slide out the bolt carrier assembly by placing one hand over the rear of the weapon and raising the muzzle.

Place all the parts in a nice straight line with all pins facing upwards

Cleaning the weapon

1. Clean barrel first with bore brush, then pull through a dry clean flannelette, 25mm x 25mm
2. Use nylon brush to remove any loose particles from components.
3. Pull through clean lightly oiled flannelette to (slightly smaller) to oil barrel.
4. Clean working parts by removing any carbon fouling (dirt).
5. Examine component parts for damage or wear.
6. After inspection - Lightly oil the weapon and magazine.

Reassembling the weapon

1. Replace the cocking handle by sliding it onto its rail
2. Insert bolt by slowly sliding it into the main body of weapon inserting the extension bar into the bolt. Then push fully forward. Ensure fully locked home
3. Replace the recoil rod and spring then lock it into place using the rear TMH locking pin to first click.
4. Insert the TMH into position
5. Push fully home the front and rear locking pins.

Function Check

1. Check safety catch.
2. Pull the working parts to the rear and activate the holding open catch look into chamber.
3. Operate bolt release catch.
4. Attempt to fire the weapon with safety catch to safe.
5. Remove safety and fire an aimed shot.
6. Close Safety catch.
7. Close Dust cover.
8. Return hand to handguard

Loading the weapon

1. Check safety catch.
2. Take hold of magazine and check the rounds are inserted properly and for dirt.
3. Insert magazine fully until it clicks
4. Pull down to check it is secure.
5. Return hand to handguard.

Ready

1. Check Safety is to safe.
2. Set sights range as required.
3. Cock the weapon. (Fully to the rear and let it go)

Make safe (unload followed by load) or Technically An Unload followed By the fitting of a Magazine

1. Check Safety catch.
 2. **Remove magazine.**
 3. NSP's (*Cock it back – Lock it with Holding opening device*) – 7 point check
 4. Bolt release catch
 5. Safety Catch Off
 6. Fire off an aimed shot
 7. Apply Safety catch.
 8. Down sights.
 9. Close dust cover. (**UNLOAD COMPLETE**)
 10. **Recheck safety catch (REPLACE A FRESH MAGAZINE)**
 11. Take hold of magazine and check the rounds are inserted properly and for dirt.
 12. Insert magazine and
 13. Pull down to check it is secure.
 14. Return hand to handguard.
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Weapon Stoppage Drills

Words of Command are:

”WEAPON FIRING - WEAPON STOPS” (Loud Voice)
(Weapon has failed to fire)

CARRYOUT THE IMMEDIATE ACTION:

1. Apply safety catch.
2. Pull the working parts to the rear and activate the holding open catch look into chamber.
COCK – LOCK – AND LOOK

INSTRUCTORS WORDS OF COMMAND ARE:

“On looking inside you see: ANY OF THE FOLLOWING THREE POSSIBLE STOPPAGES:

Stoppage 1

”WEAPON FIRING - WEAPON STOPS” (Loud Voice)
(Weapon has failed to fire)

1. Apply safety catch. Carryout the IA (*Immediate Action*)
2. Pull the working parts to the rear and activate the holding open catch look into chamber.

“On looking inside you see:

No rounds in the chamber, No rounds in the magazine: EMPTY MAGAZINE

1. Remove magazine.
2. Replace with loaded magazine.
3. Check magazine is secure.
4. Operate bolt release catch.
5. Re-aim, safety to fire, continue firing.

Stoppage 2

”WEAPON FIRING - WEAPON STOPS” (Loud Voice)

(Weapon has failed to fire)

1. *Apply safety catch. Carryout the IA (Immediate Action)*
2. *Pull the working parts to the rear and activate the holding open catch look into chamber.*

“On looking inside you see:

No rounds in the chamber and rounds in the magazine: LOOSE MAGAZINE

1. Push magazine firmly into housing until it clicks.
2. Check magazine is secure.
3. Operate bolt release catch.
4. Re-aim, safety to fire, continue firing.

Stoppage 3

”WEAPON FIRING - WEAPON STOPS” (Loud Voice)

(Weapon has failed to fire)

“On looking inside you see:

No rounds in the chamber and rounds in the magazine: OBSTRUCTION

1. *Apply safety catch. Carryout the IA (Immediate Action)*
2. *Pull the working parts to the rear and activate the holding open catch look into chamber.*

Live rounds or empty case obstructing the chamber:

1. Check Safety Catch
2. **Remove magazine.**
3. If obstruction doesn't clear, tilt the weapon slightly upwards and gently shake, ensuring the weapon is still pointed in a safe direction. Any cleared round, whether or not it is visibly damaged must not be re-loaded. Hand any cleared rounds to the range conductor at the end of the detail
4. Check Safety Catch
5. Check magazine
6. Refit magazine until it clicks
7. Check magazine is secure.
8. Operate bolt release catch.
9. Re-aim, safety to fire, continue firing.

Unload

- 1) Check Safety catch.
- 2) Remove magazine.
- 3) NSP's (*Cock it back – Lock it with Holding opening device*) – 7 point check
- 4) Bolt release catch
- 5) Safety Catch Off
- 6) Fire off an aimed shot
- 7) Apply Safety catch.
- 8) Down sights.
- 9) Close dust cover.
- 10) Return hand to handguard

When using the GP Rifle it is important that you apply the safety catch before every procedure, and if in a test it is important that you ensure that the examiner noticed.