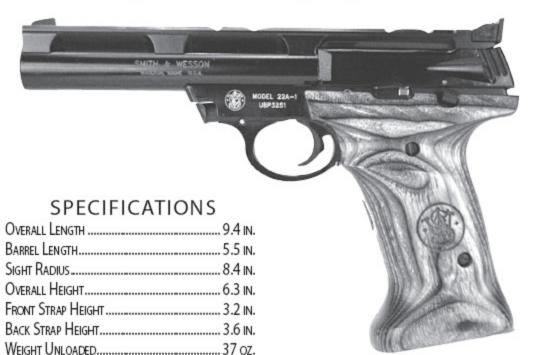
## SMITH & WESSON 22A-1 107431 .22 LR, \$427

☐ Gun Tests RecommendS: conditional buy ☐

The oversize grip may put off some buyers, but this was the easiest gun to shoot accurately and maintain. However, the safety was too difficult to operate, in our view.

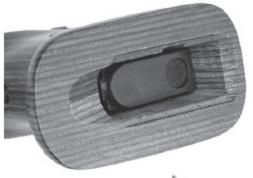


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Removing the top end meant simply grabbing the barrel and pushing in the lined breakdown panel as shown. The Smith & Wesson 22A-1 was easier to maintain than the Ruger or Browning guns as a result.

Due to the large grip we found it necessary to reach up and press the magazine into place. Pressing the release button recessed into the front strap ejected magazines quickly. But if a magazine were to become jammed in the receiver, it would have been necessary to drive it out from the top, likely ruining the mag.





The big grip on the 22A-1 offered a large beavertail. The sights were integrated into a Weaver base.

