

GUN TESTS VALUE GUIDE: AUTOLOADING RIMFIRE RIFLES

GUN NAME	ISSUE	GRADE & COMMENTS
Marlin Model 60 22 LR, \$179	May 2008	Grade A: We liked the wood stock with its nice finish, and the overall feel of this rifle.
Browning Buck Mark 22 LR No. 021026102, \$572	February 2007	Grade A (Our Pick): Quick-handling plinker that sports very nice set of open sights. A pleasure to carry and handle.
Ruger 10/22CRR 22 LR, \$275	April 2006	Grade A (Best Buy): It's a plinker, a squirrel gun, or a competition rifle for a youngster. A sure winner.
Thompson/Center 22 Classic 22 LR, \$335	February 2001	Grade A (Best Buy): The T/C was a 0.75-inch rifle with good ammo. Very good trigger pull, excellent iron sights.
Volquartsen 17 HMR Deluxe Model, \$1078	October 2004	Grade A (Our Pick): Good looks and fine balance. Accuracy was way more than adequate.
Thompson Center R-55 Benchmark Cl. 6873 22 LR, \$455	October 2007	Grade A-: Best trigger, shot half-inch 50-yard groups with one ammo, and carried a lifetime limited warranty.
Remington 597 SS No. 26565 22 LR, \$283	May 2008	Grade B+: Moderate price. Robust construction and good materials. Blued is \$188, and we might pick that instead.
Ruger 10-22 K10/2T 22 LR, \$495	October 2007	Grade B+: Accurate. Good, but not great, trigger. Excellent barrel. Didn't like difficult magazine extraction.
Arm Scor AK 22, 22LR, \$220	April 2006	Grade B+ (Buy It): Intimidating appearance. A good, solid rimfire. AK47 owners might upgrade this to Grade A .
Clark 10/17 Model RDSS-1022-17 17 HMR, \$960	October 2004	Grade B+ (Buy It): It was clean, looked good, and had honest workmanship. Excellent accuracy.
Henry U.S. Survival Rifle 22 LR, \$165	March 2003	Grade B+ (Buy It): Incredibly light. Put a decent trigger into it and stick it in your backpack.
Marlin 70PSS Papoose 22 LR, \$318	April 2006	Grade B (Buy It): Just right for the small beginner, but portability is its greatest appeal.
Ruger 10/22 Camo Model 1163LZ 22 LR, \$526	May 2008	Grade C: The laser might solve some problems for those with questionable vision. Our only objection was the cost.
Briley 17 HMR Sporter, \$1100	October 2004	Grade C (Conditional Buy): Failures to fire. Stock looked great, and overall workmanship seemed to be first-rate.
AR-7 Industries AR-7 22 LR, \$150	March 2003	Grade C (Conditional Buy): We liked the workmanship of this rifle. Feeding wasn't as good as it should have been.
Remington 597 LS HB No. 26579 22 LR, \$337	October 2007	Grade C: Less barrel mass. Heaviest trigger pull, but manageable. Acceptable accuracy for its price.
Walther G22 22 LR No. WAR22000, \$399	February 2007	Grade F (Don't Buy): Ineffective sighting system. Trigger creep. Butt-heavy stock. Needs red-dot sight.

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