

**SMITH & WESSON MSW1911 NO. 108284 45 ACP, \$1256**

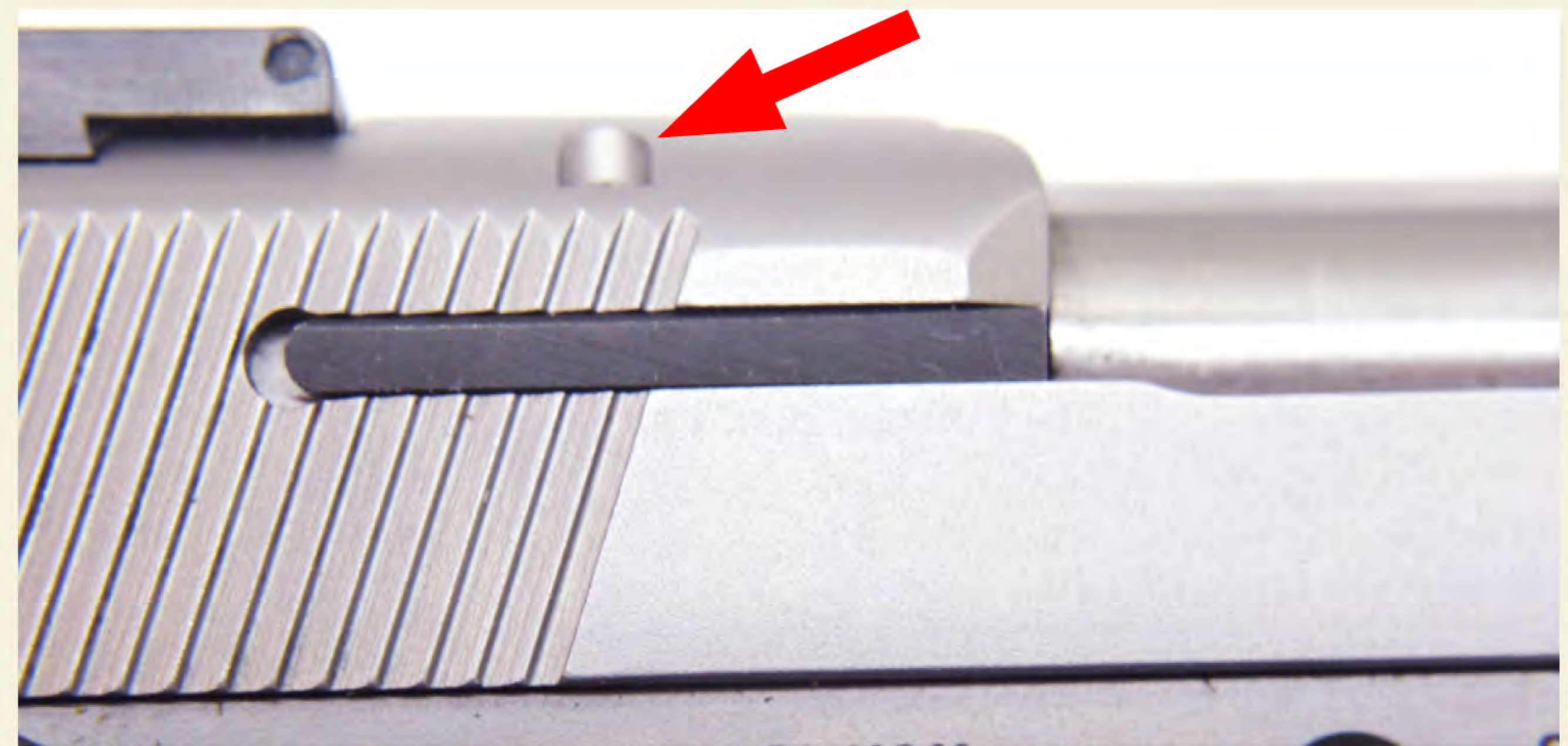
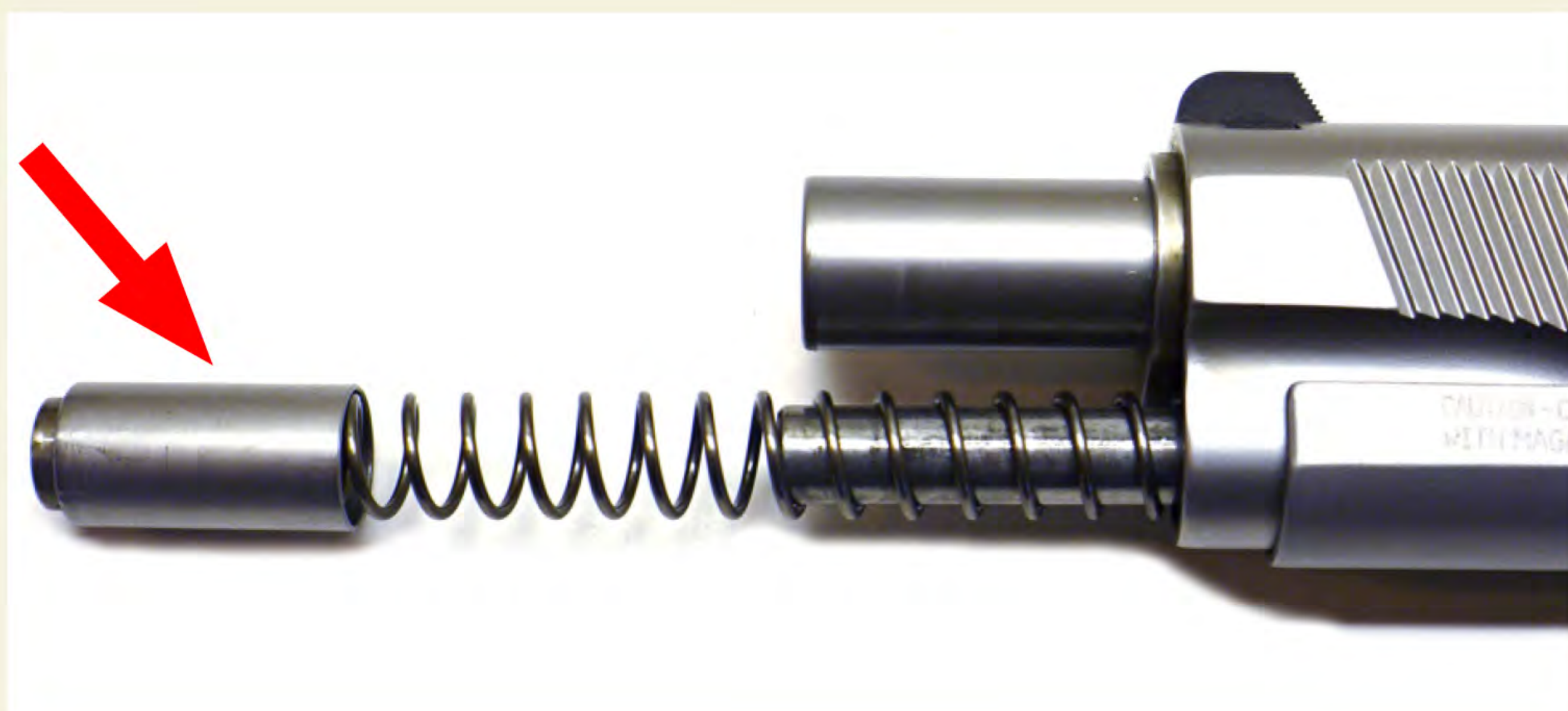
**GUN TESTS GRADE: B+**

The Smith & Wesson MSW1911 delivers a lot for the money, but came in a notch below our competitors in refinement and accuracy. A Best Buy contender, you could take the money you save and have it tuned by the factory or your favorite gunsmith.



**SPECIFICATIONS**

OVERALL LENGTH .....	8.8 IN.
BARREL LENGTH.....	5.0 IN.
SIGHT RADIUS.....	6.8 IN.
OVERALL HEIGHT.....	5.4 IN.
FRONT STRAP HEIGHT .....	2.7 IN.
BACK STRAP HEIGHT.....	3.1 IN.
WEIGHT UNLOADED.....	39 OZ.
CAPACITY .....	8+1
MAXIMUM WIDTH.....	1.4 IN.
GRIP THICKNESS (MAX).....	1.3 IN.
GRIP CIRCUMFERENCE (MAX).....	5.6 IN.
FRAME MATERIAL.....	MATTE STAINLESS STEEL
BARREL.....	STAINLESS STEEL
SLIDE.....	STAINLESS STEEL
GRIP .....	CHECKERED WOOD
TRIGGER PULL WEIGHT DOUBLE ACTION.....	4.7 LBS.
TRIGGER SPAN DOUBLE ACTION.....	2.8 IN.
WARRANTY .....	LIFETIME
TELEPHONE .....	(800) 331-0852
WEBSITE.....	WWW.SMITH-WESSON.COM



**Right:** Field-stripping the MSW1911 was straightforward, but care had to be exercised not to let the recoil spring retainer (**top, arrow**) fly off into parts unknown. Yes, that happened to us.



**Above:** The S&W1911 was the only gun in our tests that uses an external extractor, which is anchored with a rivet in a recess in the frame (arrow).

**Right:** The frontstrap checkering was adequate, but we'd like it to extend further down for greater gripping area.

