

K-VAR VEPR VPR-101 7.62X39MM, \$750

GUN TESTS GRADE: A-

The VEPR looks like a black-tie AK-47, and we wondered if it would perform as good as it looked. It did.



Action Gas-Operated Semi-Auto
Overall Length 36.0 in.
Overall Height 7.5 in.
Maximum Width 1.75 in.
Weight Unloaded 8.9 lbs.
Weight Loaded (w/10-rd mag) 9.4 lbs.
Barrel 16 in., Black Parkerized Steel
Magazine Detachable Box,
..... K-VAR 10-rd Double Stack
Buttstock Thumbhole, 14 in. LOP
..... Matte-Finish Walnut
Handguard Single Piece, 9.0 in. Long
..... Matte-Finish Walnut

Receiver Black Parkerized Steel
Rear Sight Tangent Leaf, 100 to 300m
..... Adj. for Elevation and Windage
Front Sight Hooded Post,
..... Adj. for Elevation
Sight Radius 15.25 in.
Trigger Pull Weight 5.10 lbs.
Safety Lever Style, No Open Notch
Warranty 30 day
Telephone (702) 364-8880
Website K-VAR.com
Made By/In Molot/Russia
Not Compliant CA, NY, CT

The receiver on the VEPR is made of a thicker, heavier steel than most other AKs, which shows up in its weights. Notice that there's no cutout in the safety lever. The stippling in the thumbhole stock grip area is apparent at the lower left.



The VEPR in 7.62x39 caliber features a look similar to an AK, but with a thumbhole buttstock and walnut foregrip. The finish showed some light scratches, but the grain came out well.



Above, the windage-adjustable rear sight is marked out to only 300 yards. Right: Missing from the VEPR's front end is a flash hider. Otherwise, the front sight tower is pretty familiar to AK adherents.