

AMT – IAI Firearms listing

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Overview

This document will cover all of the firearms that AMT – IAI have produces that I have found out about. It will not cover any of the history of the companies as I do not have a clear picture of this and there are better books / information about this. My main interest has always been the range of firearms from the company(s).

If you are interested in the History of the .44 AutoMag may I recommend the book The Pasadena Days by Bruce Stark. This book covers the history of the AutoMag from prototype to the AMT formation in 1971 up to and including the bankruptcy in 1976. You can find out how to order this book direct from Bruce Stark information on how to do this can be found at <http://www.glossover.co.uk/amt>.

AMT – Arcadia Machine and Tool Inc
IAI – Irwindale Arms Inc

The dates of production and end of production are estimations.

At the time of writing the High Standard (www.highstandard.com) hold the assets of the AMT brand and are running the AutoMag II and Backup pistols in production.

Unless otherwise stated the images are from my collection that I have got together over the years. I do not remember where I got them from but if they are yours and you would like me to add your name to them please let me know.

This document will be split into two sections rifles and pistols; they are in no particular order of preference.

AMT – IAI Rifles

AMT Lightning

AMT entered into the small calibre rifles with the .22lr Lightning.

They started production in 1985 and ended production in 1990.

Styled very much like the Ruger MkII it came in three barrel lengths, with a folding stock.

The standard sites were drift adjustable on the rear and bladed on the front, the rifle came grooved for a scope mount.

The trigger was a single stage and set at 3lb pull.

Barrel Length	Weight	Payload
5 inch	1.21kg	10 + 1
6.5 inch	1.28kg	10 + 1
8.5 inch	1.39kg	10 + 1



AMT .22 Magnum Hunter

AMT extended the small calibre range with this 22wmr rifle

They started production in 1996 and ended production in 1990.

Like the AMT Lightning it looked very Rugerish but did not come with any sights, it was drilled and tapped for scope mounts though.

The trigger was a single stage and set at 4lb pull.

It only came in one barrel length the 20.5 inch with an overall length of 41.5 inches with the standard stock.



AMT – IAI Pistols

AutoMag

Much has been written and said about this pistol. I have only shot one AutoMag, if the situation allowed I would be as obsessed as every one else who has the pleasure of owning one of the "Aristocrat of handguns".

If you would like a history of this hand gun I suggest that you get hold of a copy of The Pasadena Days by Bruce Stark, failing that look around the internet.

Try some of the following:

www.44automag.org

www.44automag.com

www.automagparts.com

www.automagpistol.com

The AutoMag came in two flavours .44 AMP and .357 AMP, both guns had a payload of 7 + 1 with the .357 AMP weighing in at 1.5kg and the .44 AMP coming in at 1.8KG.

Many people may have come across this pistol in the Dirty Harry film Sudden Impact.



This image is from Rick Maples, and is titled "North Hollywood AutoMag" his site can be found at www.automagpistol.com and is well worth looking at. Many thanks to Rick for his permission on this image and help.

AutoMag II

The AutoMag II started life in 1987 and sadly came to a close in 1990, although High Standard has begun production runs on the pistol. The AutoMag II is a pleasure to shoot and it looks wonderful.

The pistol came with the Milletts sights with the front sight in orange and the rear site using a white to out line the notch, this combination had been commented on as to helping the shooter's accuracy as it is plane and simple to see what you are shooting at.

The AutoMag II came with three barrel lengths and used the .22WMR round.

Barrel Length	Weight	Payload
3 3/8 inch	0.77kg	7 + 1
4.5 inch	0.83kg	9 + 1
6 inch	0.91kg	9 + 1



This is my AutoMag II 3 3/8.

AutoMag III

Again this pistol in .30 Carbine is a pleasure to shoot, I have not had the opportunity to shoot the 9mm.

There were two models of this pistol the .30 Carbine that most people link with it but in 1992 there was a run of 9mm Winchester Magnum made. This model did not prove popular and was dropped.

Both of the models had a payload of 8 + 1. The .30 Carbine weighed in at 1.28kg and the 9mm Winchester Magnum weighing in at 1.38kg.



This is an image of an AutoMag III from Luc. Many thanks to Luc for this.

AutoMag IV

This pistol evolved from the 10mm Javelina. The Javelina will be covered later in this document.

The original 10mm Colt Javelina was introduced in 1990. In 1991 the .45 Winchester Magnum was introduced and in 1992 the 10mm Magnum version stepped forward. All three models had a LongSlide version, giving the shooter a longer barrel and slide.

Name / Calibre	Weight	Payload
AutoMag IV 10mm Colt	1.18kg	7 + 1
AutoMag IV 10mm Colt LongSlide	1.21kg	7 + 1
AutoMag IV 10mm Magnum	1.29kg	7 + 1
AutoMag IV 10mm Magnum LongSlide	1.32kg	7 + 1
AutoMag IV .45 Winchester Magnum	1.3kg	7 + 1
AutoMag IV .45 Winchester Magnum LongSlide	1.33kg	7 + 1



AutoMag V

The big brother of the AutoMag IV this beast shoots the .50 round.

Produced for only a short time 1993 until 1996, weighing in at 1.31kg and having a payload of 7+1.



Javelina

The Javelina was introduced in 1990 and was the bases for the AutoMag IV.

The Javelina has been covered in the AutoMag IV section, the only differences are that the mag held 8 rounds and the trigger was set to 7.5lb pull.



Government

This was a clone of the M-1911 A1, often used by officers in the USA National Guard it was known as a good solid and reliable pistol.

I have not dates for its production. It was chambered for .45 ACP holding 7 rounds to a mag, it weighed in at 1.77kg.



Commando

This firearm was in production from 1990 until 1992. It was a baby brother to the Government model chambered for the .40 Smith & Wesson had a magazine capacity of 8 and weighed in at 1.02kg.

I have been unable to find any more information about this firearm and no images. I have found references to it in American Rifleman but have been unable to secure the issue or a copy of the article.

HardBaller

This version of the US .45Auto was used by Arnold Schwarzenegger in the film "Terminator", he used the AMT HardBaller LongSlide equipped with a Laser Technologies laser sight.

This was a well engineered pistol and the production run's where of a high standard, this enabled 70,000 units to go into US federal service.

There where three models the HardBaller, HardBaller LongSlide and the Skipper.

Name / Calibre	Weight	Payload
LongSlide .45 ACP	1.77kg	7 + 1
HardBaller LongSlide .45 ACP	1.9kg	7 + 1
Skipper .45 ACP	1.75kg	7 + 1

The Skipper was also available in .40 Smith & Wesson. The trigger was set to 6lb pull.



On Duty

This pistol had a production run running from 1991 – 1996.

This was the only pistol (that I know off) from the AMT – IAI stable that had a matt black finish to it instead of the stainless steel that we had seen up until now.

It was produced in 3 calibres 9mm, .40 and .45 ACP.

Calibre	Weight	Payload
9mm	0.9kg	15
.40 Smith & Wesson	1.03kg	11
.45 ACP	1.17kg	9



This is the 9mm model.

Back Up

This pistol was a small tool that was to be concealed and used when the chips where down.

The first model was introduced in 1976 and others followed over the years. At the moment there are 7 different calibres for this pistol.

Calibre	Weight	Payload
.22 lr (no longer in production)	0.4kg	8
.380 ACP	0.51kg	5
.9mm Parabellum	0.53kg	6
.45 ACP	0.69kg	6
.40 Smith & Wesson	0.61kg	6
.38 Super	0.57kg	6
.357 SiG	0.56kg	6
400 CorBon	?	?



.22 LR



.308



.45 ACP



400 CorBon

Baby AutoMag

The Baby AutoMag is a .22lr version of the AutoMag, it looks wonderful.



Lightning Pistol

The Lightning pistol is a .22lr pistol looking like one of the Ruger range. Ruger took exception to the likeness and sued AMT. From my research this was a well made pistol and the quality of the production line was very good.

