

Instructions for Pistol Practice.

On taking the pistol from armrack or holster take out the magazine and see that it is empty before replacing it; then draw back the slide and make sure that the piece is unloaded. Observe the same precaution after practice on the target range, and again before replacing the pistol in the holster or in the armrack. Before beginning a drill and upon arriving on the range observe the same precaution. (Small Arms Firing Manual, par. 135)

Always keep the pistol or revolver in the position of "Raise pistol" (par. 156, Cavalry Drill Regulations), except when it is pointed at the target.

Whenever the pistol is being loaded or unloaded, the muzzle must be kept up.

Do not point the weapon in any direction where an accidental discharge might do harm.

During the present course of instruction the pistol will be carried cocked and locked as prescribed in paragraph 146 Cavalry drill regulations.

Attention is called to Ordnance pamphlet #1866 "Description of the Automatic pistol caliber .45 model of 1911", also to cavalry drill regulations paragraphs 145 to 161. When pistols are not being used for drill they may be obtained from the armory (Room B 1-122) on receipt of officers commanding companies.

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