

How to make your "Wooden Toy Protest Rifle"



This simple little rifle is more complicated than it looks.

It takes a little bit of skill to make.

But it can be a fun activity for your organization.

You can contract it out to your handyman or have him/her supervise.

1. It is essential that all rifles conform to this "Standard Issue" pattern.
2. It is also essential that
"U.S. MILITIA: AUTHORIZED BY THE 2ND AMENDMENT"
must be written on the rifle. This can be silk screened or written with wide tip BLACK permanent markers.
3. Do not modify rifle - i.e... like making it shoot rubber bands. (That's a No-No)

There are numerous reasons for this, primarily:

1. Authorities will come to recognize to rifle as a "toy"
All toys will look the same, thus preventing an "agent provocateur" from brandishing a real weapon.
If your organization plans a sanctioned event, security will be informed as to the need and purpose.
2. Event organizers can readily identify and double-check participants before and during the event.
3. The 2nd Amendment statement grants the right to "be armed" with the toy. (Must be written on the rifle)
4. The "Standard Issue" provides for a non-violent unified action and statement.
5. The toy rifle will be standardized NATION WIDE so that multiple organizations can easily join together.
6. Rifle Drills can be standardized and Drill competitions can take place.
7. Standard Issue provides for safety, security, interchangeable use, etc.
8. Many people are as dumb as June Bugs and cannot tell the difference between real and fake. Don't tempt fate.
9. etc.

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- * If possible, get someone who is familiar with power tools.
 - * Test a procedure on some scrap before you screw up your work.
 - * This is especially true with the router. (Router table recommended) Wood can rocket off and hurt something.
Watch recommended videos (below).
1. Lay out the pattern onto your wood stock.
 2. Drill 1/2" starter holes. (recommended, but optional)
 3. Use Jig Saw to cut out the rifles. Make sure your saw is aligned to a secured 90°. Go slowly. Check your work.
I recommend that you first cut the rounded parts. That way, the hard part is done without it flopping around.
 4. Round off the edges with your router. I recommend a router table without a fence
 5. Rough sand the edges, lightly brush edges with sanding sealer, let dry, fine sand the edges. Blow or brush off dust.
 6.
 - A. For two part stain then clear polyurethane
Stain the wood, let dry
Add the graphics, let dry
1-2 coats clear polyurethane, let each coat dry. Be a little skimpy, otherwise you get gloppy drips.
 - B. For printed transparency graphic

stain the wood, let dry. Be a little skimpy, but not too skimpy.

glue printed transparency to rifle with clear glue, let dry.

1-2 coats clear polyurethane, let each coat dry. Be a little skimpy, otherwise you get gloppy drips.

C. Silkscreen or Permanent Marker graphic

If you have two-part stain then clear polyurethane, stain first, let dry, add graphic, let dry, polyurethane.

If you have stain+polyurethane in one, apply graphic, let dry, add stain-poly, let dry.

DONE!

(read everything below...important!)

Safety Items:

Safety Glasses for eye protection

Gloves

Dust Mask, cutting and sanding make lots of wood dust.

Broom. Wood dust is slippery and flammable, so clean up often.

Level ground helps to stabilize your work.

Tools needed for wooden rifle:

Jig saw with new heavy-duty sharp wood cutting blades.

Router with 1/4" or 3/8" round-over bit. The 1/4" will leave a little bit of flat edge. 3/8" will completely round the edge.

Router table without a fence-guide. Optional (recommended)

Sandpaper 100, 220 grit

Sawhorses 3 or 4 uniform sawhorses on level ground makes the work MUCH easier.

(can use blocks of wood 3" high and 48" long on a flat surface)

Electric Sanders: Belt sander with 150 grit for rough wood.

Palm sander with 220 grit to smooth out

Fine-tune sanding may have to be done by hand

Cheap disposable paint brushes. I recommend natural bristle brushes from dollar store (environmentally friendly)

Materials for wooden rifle:

3/4 inch wood stock.

It may be 1x8 #1 shelving board. (1x8 is actually 3/4" x 7-1/2") (#1 has few knots)

3/4" 4'x8' cabinet grade plywood (makes 20+ rifles) (cabinet grade = less sanding)

Minwax Polyshade 2in1 Stain&Polyurethane "Olde Maple - Satin" or equivalent (light colored)

TrueTone or equivalent CLEAR sanding sealer.

Silkscreens or Broad Tipped permanent markers

For the Graphics:

(The only 100% required statement: "U.S.Militia: Authorized by the 2nd Amendment")

Option 1: Broad Tipped Permanent Markers

Option 2: After the rifle has been stained...

Print the graphics onto transparency,
cut them out,

glue with a clear glue to the rifle

apply 2-3 layers of clear polyurethane on top of the graphic.

Option 3: Silkscreens (recommended but not 100% necessary)

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Silkscreens

The silkscreen process can be complicated to the beginner and has a learning curve.

It is recommended that you ask around for someone with experience to make your screens.

Silkscreen frames: interior dimensions

10" x 3" for "U.S.Milita Authorized by the 2nd Amendment"

6" x 6" for the Target Graphic. Trump is provided. It could be McConnell, Nunez, Stephen Miller, Barr, Koch's, etc

9" x 4" for your organization's slogan or outfit designation.

Cheap disposable paint brushes. (I try to get natural bristle)

I use "Liquitex Basics Acrylic Color" Mars Black, a little dab will do ya.

[Speedball 004524 Essential Tools Kit](#)

[Speedball Silkscreening Instruction Manual](#)

Misc:

Recommended Fonts:

Stencil (Microsoft default) 100pt + 32pt

<https://www.wfonts.com/font/stencil>

Autumn Regular 64pt

<https://fontzone.net/font-details/autumn-regular>

Recommended Phrases: mostly broad tip marker suiting each rifle owner's taste or opinion. Make up more!

ENOUGH!

Time's Up!

I hate him as much as any other Facist, Totalitarian Dictator

For love of Country, not love of guns

Tyrant in our sights

Target: Tyrant

This machine kills tyrants

...enemies: foreign and domestic

America: Under Attack

Treason is not patriotism!

Impeachment?? 2A his a**!!

Instructional Videos (non-affiliated)

Router 101: Router basics for absolute, total beginning woodworkers.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8VI8Jbw3cSk>

How to Use a Wood Router Table - woodworkweb

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EnPZofVCRE>

Getting Good Jigsaw Cuts

<https://www.rockler.com/learn/getting-good-jigsaw-cuts/>

<https://www.familyhandyman.com/tools/jigsaw-tips-and-essentials/>

Silkscreens: *tips* be skimpy, use just enough emulsion to fill the screen. No drips! Put a fan in your dark place.

DIY: How To Burn a Silkscreen and Print at Home

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KnL_Kj74G8c

How To Make a Silkscreen

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZayHkSiPxv8>

<https://m.wikihow.com/Make-Silk-Screen-Stencils>

Disclaimer:

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I tried to give as much info on these as I could in today's 30 second time-frame.

I cannot predict the ways that somebody will misuse their tools.

Ultimately, I recommend that you hire a handyman. Budget his time for 2 days.

Your handyman probably doesn't know silkscreening. I'll bet you can find someone who does.

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Rev 1. stay tuned for late revisions.