P-223 Riflescope

3-9×40

Instruction manual

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Congratulations on your choice of a Nikon P-223 Riflescope. Your new scope is the finest example of Nikon's rugged and durable

construction and precision bright optics; important qualities for a serious shooter's riflescope.

Whether you use your scope for hunting or for target shooting, the procedure for mounting is identical. A set of high quality steel mounting rings which have a standard diameter of 1 inch (25.4 mm) are required to mount the scope. Follow the ring manufacturer's instructions for mounting procedures. After mounting the scope on your rifle, follow the procedures for reticle alignment.

When setting the reticle for hunting, you should determine your standard range and then adjust the reticle based upon that target distance. For targets which vary from that standard distance, according to personal preference, you may simply adjust the position of the reticle in relation to your target, or you may wish to use the procedure for trajectory compensation.

We hope that you will enjoy your new Nikon Riflescope for many years to come. Enjoy using it, and above all, always follow safe shooting procedures.

Caution

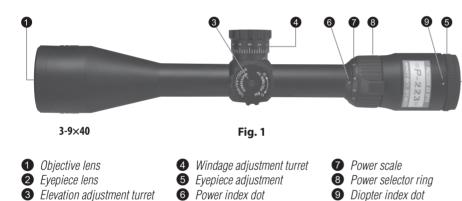
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- (1) Do NOT look at the sun through the riflescope. It will permanently damage your eye. This precaution applies to all optical devices, such as cameras and binoculars.
- (2) The riflescope is effectively sealed against moisture and dust. You may use your scope safely either in the rain or in dusty climates. To preserve the appearance of the scope, we recommend that it be dried and cleaned prior to storage. Use a soft cloth for cleaning metal surfaces and use photographic lens tissue to clean the scope's lenses.

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1. Nomenclature



2. Specifications

Model		3-9×40
Actual Magnification		3-9×
Objective Diameter	(mm)	40
Exit Pupil	(mm)	4.4 (@ 9×)
Eye Relief**	(mm) (in)	91-91 3.6-3.6
Tube Diameter	(mm) (in)	25.4 1
Objective Tube Diameter	(mm) (in)	50.3 1.98
Outside Diameter of Eyepiece	(mm) (in)	44 1.73
Adjustment Graduation		1 click: 7 mm @ 100 m 1 click: 1/4 in @ 100 yd
Max Internal Adjustment (Elevation & Windage)	*(MOA)	80
Parallax Setting	(m) (yd)	91.44 100
Field of View at 100 m/yd**	(m) (ft)	11.3-3.8 33.8-11.3
Length	(mm) (in)	314 12.4
Weight	(g) (oz)	485 17.1
Structure		Waterproof (up to 1 m for 10 minutes) and nitrogen gas filled

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Waterproof models:

The riflescope is waterproof, and will suffer no damage to the optical system if submerged or dropped in water to a maximum depth of 1 meter for up to 10 minutes.

The riflescope offers the following advantages:

- Can be used in conditions of high humidity, dust and rain without risk of damage.
- Nitrogen-filled design makes it resistant to condensation and mold.

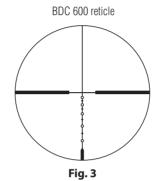
Observe the following precautions when using the riflescope:

- The riflescope should not be operated nor held in running water.
- Any moisture should be wiped off before adjusting movable parts (adjustment turret, eyepiece, etc.) of the riflescope to prevent damage and for safety reasons.

3. Instructions

(1) Focusing

- Look through the eyepiece with your eye positioned about 4 in (10 cm) away from the eyepiece to see the BDC 600 reticle (Fig. 3), depending on your purchased product.
- Be sure your eye is positioned with proper alignment and with proper eye relief, otherwise the view will "black out."
- Point the objective end of the scope at the sky (do NOT point at the sun) or at a plain unpatterned wall.
 Turn the eyepiece adjustment counter-clockwise and then turn it clockwise until the reticle appears sharp.



BDC 600 reticle

Developed specifically for the trajectory of the .223 Rem./5.56 NATO round with a 55-grain polymer-tipped bullet (3240 fps (987.55 m/s)), the BDC 600 reticle offers shooters unique open circle aiming points and hash marks from 100 to 600 yd (91.44 to 548.64 m). Refer to the BDC 600 section of "Guide to using the BDC Reticle".

(2) Magnification

The P-223 riflescope has fixed or variable magnification. For the magnification system of your riflescope and other details, see "2. Specifications"

To change powers, just rotate the power selector ring until the desired magnification appears adjacent to the power index dot (Fig.1).

(3) Adjustment of the riflescope

Sighting through the riflescope, align the rifle with your aiming point on the target and shoot a trial round. If the bullet does not hit the aiming point, adjust the elevation and windage adjustment turrets as follows:

- If the bullet hits under the aiming point, turn the elevation adjustment (counter-clockwise) in the direction of the arrow marked "U" for up. If the bullet hits high, turn adjustment (clockwise) in the direction of the arrow marked "D" for down.
- If the bullet hits to the right of the aiming point, turn the windage adjustment (clockwise) in the direction of the arrow marked "L" for left. If the bullet hits to the left of the aiming point, turn adjustment (counter-clockwise) in the direction of the arrow marked "R" for right.

(4) Zero setting of the Elevation and Windage Adjustment Turrets

The elevation/windage adjustment turrets have a retracting system. After the reticle has been adjusted to the point of impact, pull out the adjustment turret. The adjustment turret can now be turned freely. Align the zero number to the index line to set the zero setting, and then release the turret. The turret automatically retracts to the original position.

Note

- The windage and elevation scales of the P-223 riflescope 3-9×40 are calibrated in divisions of 1/4 minute of angle with a click at intervals of 1/4 minute of angle.
- When adjusting the reticle to the point of aim, remember that 1 minute of angle equals approximately 1 in (2.54 cm) at 100 yd (91.44 m). Therefore, if the impact point is 2 in (5.08 cm) low and 1 in (2.54 cm) right at 100 yd (91.44 m) parallax setting, you should adjust 2 minutes of angle up 1 minute of angle left. In the case of 50 yd (45.72 m) parallax setting, the adjusting value is 2×. In the case of 75 yd (68.58 m) parallax setting, the adjusting value is 1.5×.

Maintenance

(1) Lens Cleaning

To remove dirt or fingerprints, soak gauze or lens cleaning paper (silicone free paper sold at camera retailers) with a small quantity of absolute alcohol (available from drugstores) and lightly wipe off the affected areas. Wiping with handkerchief or leather may damage the lens surface and is not recommended.

Dust may scratch the lens surface or corrode the lens.

Brush dust off using a soft oil-free brush.

(2) Scope Exterior

Use a soft dry cloth to wipe off any dirt or fingerprints that might accumulate.

It is not necessary to oil the scope's surface.

(3) Windage/Elevation Adjustment Turrets

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(4) Evepiece Adjustment

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(5) Power Selector Ring

No lubrication is required for the power selector ring.

Do not pull up or remove the rubber covering on the zoom ring.

To keep your riflescope in optimal condition, Nikon Vision recommends regular servicing by an authorized dealer.

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