The term "single action" means that the hammer of your revolver must be manually drawn fully backward, or "cocked", before firing each shot. In the process of cocking your revolver, you should note that there are three separate hammer positions, each one having its purpose:

**A. "SAFETY"**

Point the gun in a safe direction. Draw the hammer back to the first cock position (Drawing "A"). Turn the gun so the cylinder is facing downward, release the Stud Latch and completely open the gun. At this point all the cartridges will fall out contemporarily towards the ground.

**B. "FIRING"**

Pull the hammer backward to firing position (full cock). Make sure it clicks into this rearmost position. Your revolver is now ready to fire.

Never attempt to fire your revolver in any position except the full cock position. Attempting to pull the trigger in the safety position will strain the mechanism and make it unsafe. (It might even break if you are strong enough.) If your revolver is in the full cock position and you change your mind and don't want to shoot, carefully follow these instructions:

1. Point the revolver in a safe direction.
2. Take your trigger finger out of the trigger guard and put this finger on the side of the frame.
3. Release the stud latch and rotate the barrel fully open.
4. Remove all cartridges and empty casings from your firearm.
5. Put your trigger finger on the trigger and your thumb on the hammer.
6. Pull the trigger backward and hold it while lowering the hammer. After the hammer has passed the full cock position (firing position) release the trigger and continue to lower the hammer until it clicks into the first cock position (Drawing "A").

Before opening and closing your firearm MAKE SURE THE HAMMER IS IN THE SAFETY POSITION (See drawing "A"). With the hammer in this position, the safety mechanism is activated.

Make sure your revolver is always in the safety position when transporting or when you are not actually firing. You must learn this procedure with an unloaded firearm until you feel confident and are familiar with the handling. Only when you feel really confident should you think about using live ammunition.

**C. "AFTER FIRING"**

These guns have a hammer block safety in the frame. To activate the hammer safety block, pull the hammer backward until you hear the first click. Lower the hammer into the safety position. With the hammer in this position, the safety mechanism is activated. This patented device places a steel insert between the hammer and the frame and is designed to prevent the gun from firing accidentally. When the gun is not being used, always use your hammer block safety. (See drawing "A").

**LOADING**

Keeping your finger out of the trigger guard and off the trigger, draw the hammer back to the first cock position which makes the cylinder free to rotate. Then, open the revolver as far as it will open until the ejector returns to its normal position in the cylinder. Make certain you have the exact calibre cartridges matching the exact calibre of your revolver. Then load one cartridge in each chamber. Before closing your revolver, make sure that the hammer is in first cock position. If the hammer is in full cock position (firing position) the firearm will not close. Do not insist on closing because the hand is not in its correct position. Be careful because you could break the hand.

Again you should practice this loading function without any cartridges until you feel comfortable. Then, and only then, are you and your revolver ready for use.

**UNLOADING**

Point the gun in a safe direction. Draw the hammer back to the first cock position (Drawing "A"). Turn the gun so the cylinder is facing downward, release the Stud Latch and completely open the gun. At this point all the cartridges will fall out contemporarily towards the ground.

**SAFETY**

You must learn this procedure with an unloaded firearm until you feel confident and are familiar with the handling. Only when you feel really confident should you think about using live ammunition.

**CLEANING**

Check first to make sure your revolver is empty. Pull the hammer rearward into first cock position (Drawing "A"), release the stud latch and open the gun for cleaning.

Use a wood, aluminium or brass cleaning rod (not steel), a brass brush and patches appropriate to the calibre of your gun. Use a good quality cleaning solution to scrub the bore and each chamber. While scrubbing the bore, always brush all the way through the bore; never try to reverse directions while the brush is actually in the barrel or chamber. After scrubbing, run clean patches through the bore and chambers until they come out clean. Then lightly oil the entire revolver. You will find that over the years, the oil will give a lovely colour to your wooden grip and will develop and retain a soft patina glow.

Use your revolver carefully and safely. Help us to help you keep and protect your right to gun ownership.

**CAUTION**

Remember, when you full cock your revolver to shoot it again, you rotate the cylinder; then you decide not to fire and decock the pistol. This round is still live and will rotate back towards the firing position with each cocking. Do not forget about this round.

If you load rounds prior to the decocking operation and commence firing again, the hammer will fall on one or more empty cylinders and still will fall on a live round. Be careful and attentive to this live round. Always keep your revolver pointed in a safe direction.