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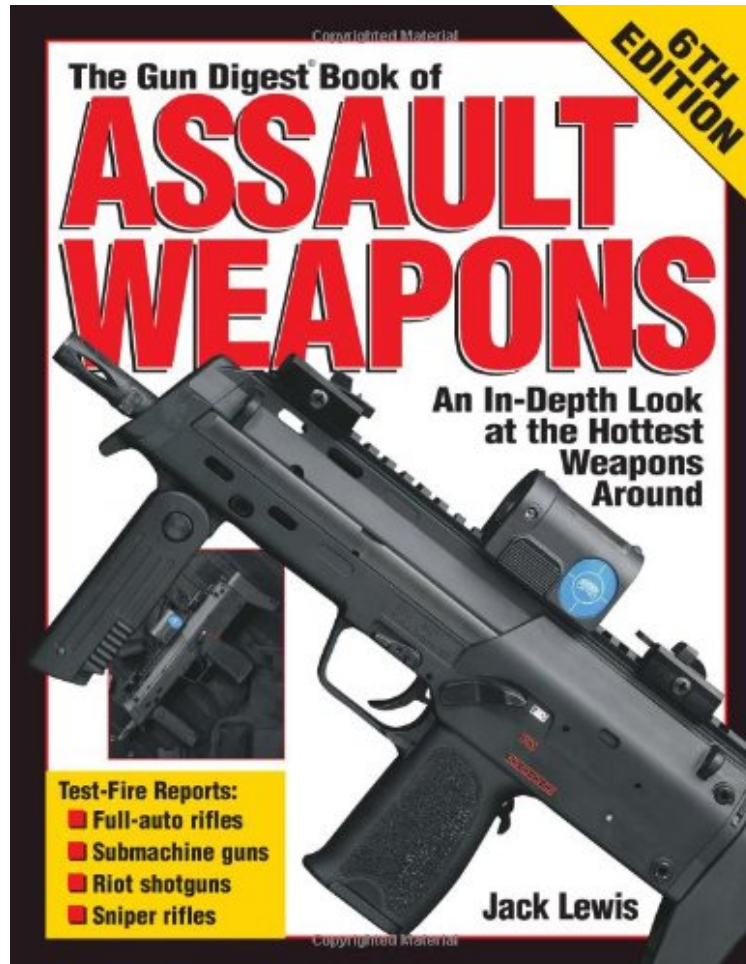
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Fortunately, the cost is often so low that it is not worth the trouble to return these particularly cheap kinds of used

products. It is a bad thing that except for the cover, this book is in black and white. For good points, this publication does contain reasonably good information on the famous HK G11, on the interesting UD42 submachinegun once made by the wartime United Defense Supply Corporation that is no longer in business and that I knew nothing about, on Knight Industries special-purpose hybrid "revolver rifle," on the SPAS 15 shotgun, and on the K9 shotgun. There will be those who will say that there are better diagrams of the G11 on the internet today -- especially because they are in color, whereas this book is in black and white. I do not believe I had ever seen a diagram of how the G11 magazine is assembled until I read this book. Nevertheless, to grasp small but important details such as how to recognize and use the charging handle on the G11, or to understand more about the experience of firing the G11, it would be better to consult the revised 12th Edition of "Small Arms of the World" by Edward Clinton Ezell. The pictures that show weapons broken down (field-stripped) are often overlooked by other sources, whether in books or on the internet, and so they are especially valuable. The section on JSDF-issue small arms has interesting information on the history, functioning, and market share of Howa Heavy Industries. This would be interesting to those such as myself who are interested in the way Japan developed its modern small arms, including the Type 89 rifle and its immediate predecessor. When it comes to bad points, I do not deny that some people will be annoyed by what might be called pro-Western center-right politically correct baggage in this book. For myself, however, I did not notice it because I was concentrating on the pictures, which are well-chosen. Some will criticize how this book has been stitched together from magazine articles. Some will say that the reasoning behind the table of contents is hard to see. Some people will be confused by the unexpected references to peoples' names, without any pauses to remind the reader who that person is. Some people will be annoyed by the cheap binding and the crumpling of the low-quality paper. This is why it is right to give a low rating, but on the other hand, it does not mean that the book is worthless. 4 of 5 people found the following review helpful. From a disappointed reader. By Ronald J. Brace I have generally enjoyed reading the previous editions of the "Gun Digest Book of Assault Weapons", but this book was dismal in my humble opinion. As other reviewers have noted, there is general discordance with the style of writing, with most chapters appearing to be quickly slapped together from old articles. Most of the material is old and outdated, and most of the firearms written about in this book would not fit the current definition of "Assault weapon" that the picture on the front would convey (Ranch rifles, bolt action 'sniper' rifles, semi-auto shotguns, AR-15 type rifles, and standard handguns seem to take up most of the space). For an updated book about assault weapons, there was little information on current production models of the excellent new firearms available today. When someone sells a book about assault weapons, you would expect most of the book to be about assault weapons. This one is not. I can not recommend this book because of its poorly written and outdated chapters and subjects and a general lack of any semblance to its title. Go and read through the book at a local store before considering a purchase, it might well save you some money. 2 of 3 people found the following review helpful. From a disappointed reader. By Ronald J. Brace I have generally enjoyed reading the previous editions of the "Gun Digest Book of Assault Weapons", but this book was dismal in my humble opinion. As other reviewers have noted, there is general discordance with the style of writing, with most chapters appearing to be quickly slapped together from old articles. Most of the material is old and outdated, and most of the firearms written about in this book would not fit the current definition of "Assault weapon" that the picture on the front would convey (Ranch rifles, bolt action 'sniper' rifles, semi-auto shotguns, AR-15 type rifles, and standard handguns seem to take up most of the space). For an updated book about assault weapons, there was little information on current production models of the excellent new firearms available today. When someone sells a book about assault weapons, you would expect most of the book to be about assault weapons. This one is not. I can not recommend this book because of its poorly written and outdated chapters and subjects and a general lack of any semblance to its title. Go and read through the book at a local store before considering a purchase, it might well save you some money.

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