

UNLOADING

Follow the same procedure described for loading to lower the crane assembly and cylinder away from the frame.

Pressing the cylinder pin towards the cylinder will cause the star in the cylinder to back the spent shells out of the cylinder for removal. Make sure to rotate the cylinder slightly so that when ejecting the star the shells will clear the right cylinder shroud.

Good maintenance for our swing-out models will involve thoroughly cleaning the cylinder crane assembly pin with a cleaning brush.



EXCHANGING CYLINDERS

Make sure the gun is unloaded. Rotate cylinder out of the frame (see loading). Remove the screw at the front of the frame (4) and remove cylinder assembly. Make certain star fits FLAT on the back of the cylinder (star can shift on shipment). Insert cylinder assembly in frame and reattach screw making sure that the screw is seated firmly against the frame.

SAFETY CYLINDER

Holding the gun in your right hand (with the muzzle pointed in a safe direction), retract the hammer to the first point where the cylinder rotates freely (just beyond half-cock). When the large and small slots on the cylinder align with the corresponding large and small slots on the recoil shields, a cylinder safety slot will be right underneath the hammer. With your thumb fully controlling the hammer, depress and hold the trigger fully until the hammer rests fully against the frame with the hammer blade engaged in the safety slot (the cylinder should not rotate more than a degree or two in either direction).



SIDEWINDER/SENTINEL INSTRUCTION CARD

LOADING/CRANE OPERATION

To load the firearm, first place the hammer into half-cock position (pulling the hammer back roughly 1/8 of an inch, until you hear the first "click"). You will see that the hammer is not resting on the frame and that the hammer blade/firing pin is no longer protruding through the firewall. If the hammer is NOT in half-cock, the cylinder is locked inside the frame.

Holding the gun in your left hand with the muzzle pointing to the right (in a safe direction), pull the knurled cylinder pin "forward", to the right, towards the muzzle, away from the cylinder.

While pulling the cylinder pin fully forward, roughly 1/8 of an inch (the spring-loaded retaining nub is now fully compressed within the within the cylinder pin by the barrel-mounted pin retention tab) use the left-hand index finger to push the cylinder from behind, towards the user, out of the right side of the firearm. The cylinder crane will move the cylinder away from the frame of the firearm and will stop with the crane reaching about an 80 degree angle, almost perpendicular to the frame. This will allow you to load the gun.

After loading the cylinder with five shells, rotate the crane assembly and cylinder back into the frame of the firearm, making sure that the knurled pin does not interfere with/overlap with the pin retention tab (the spring-loaded retaining nub will be compressed as the cylinder returns to the frame).

Press firmly on the cylinder crane until the cylinder returns fully within the frame and the knurled pin is fully seated in the retaining slot.

**IMMEDIATELY INSERT THE HAMMER INTO A SAFETY SLOT.
HALF-COCK IS NOT A SAFETY. PRACTICE THE COCKING ACTION
WITH AN EMPTY CHAMBER BEFORE FIRING LIVE AMMUNITION.
EXCESSIVE DRY-FIRING CAN DAMAGE YOUR FIREARM.**

Safety/Loading/Unloading video instructions can be found on our website: northamericanarms.com as well as our Youtube account.

