

New Shooter 101® – Handgun Cleaning Checklist – Double-Action Revolver

STEP 1. ASSURE THE GUN IS UNLOADED & SAFE TO HANDLE

1. Swing out cylinder
2. Use ejector to remove rounds from cylinder
3. Move live rounds into another room

STEP 2. OPEN & INSPECT

1. Tools & Supplies
 - a. Users guide
2. Swing out the cylinder
3. Identify parts of the gun
 - a. Frame
 - b. Barrel
 - c. Cylinder
 - d. Extractor
4. Examine critical areas to get clean
 - a. Breech face
 - b. Around forcing cone
 - c. Under extractor

STEP 3. SPRAY & SCRUB

1. Tools & Supplies
 - a. Spray cleaner
 - b. Brass brush
 - c. Bore brush, on rod
 - d. Cleaning patch, on rod
 - e. Cleaning pick
2. Apply spray cleaner
 - a. Frame = breech face
 - b. Barrel = forcing cone and area around it, wet patch down barrel
 - c. Cylinder = both ends, especially under extractor star, wet patch down cylinder chambers
3. Scrub with brass brush
 - a. Frame = breech face
 - b. Barrel = forcing cone and area around it
 - c. Cylinder = both ends, especially under extractor star
4. Use cleaning pick
 - a. Barrel = around forcing cone
 - b. Frame = around breech face
5. Scrub with bore brush

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- a. Clean barrel through muzzle
 - b. Clean cylinder chambers
 - c. Run wet patch through barrel
 - d. Run wet patch through cylinder chambers
6. Scrub with wet patch
- a. Outside of barrel, focus on muzzle opening

STEP 4. BLOW & WIPE

1. Tools & Supplies
 - a. Air can
 - b. Washcloth
 - c. Cleaning patches
 - d. Nylon brush
2. Finish cleaning cylinder
 - a. Blow out excess cleaner
 - b. Wipe front and back faces, and under extractor with washcloth
 - c. Run dry patch down cylinder chambers
3. Finish cleaning barrel
 - a. Run dry patch down barrel
4. Finish cleaning frame
 - a. Blow out excess cleaner
 - b. Wipe breech face and forcing cone areas with washcloth
 - c. Wipe down entire frame with washcloth

STEP 5. OIL & PROTECT

1. Tools & Supplies
 - a. Gun oil
 - b. Outer finish preservative
 - c. Cleaning patch
 - d. Washcloth
2. Apply gun oil
 - a. Extractor rod
 - b. Cylinder hinge
3. Close cylinder
4. Apply preservative
 - a. Apply with patch
 - b. Wipe with washcloth
5. Admire your work
 - a. Not only will it shoot better... It looks great!