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Smith & Wesson® Introduces M&P®22 Compact Suppressor Ready

Suppressor Ready Pistol and Sound Suppressor Adapter Kit Now Available

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (April 1, 2015) – As shooting enthusiasts across the nation continue to incorporate the use of sound suppressors in their shooting experience, Smith & Wesson is poised to help extend the trend by offering the new M&P22 Compact Suppressor Ready model. Based on the highly popular M&P22 Compact rimfire pistol, the new suppressor ready model is equipped with a supplemental thread adaptor and packaged with the required installation tools that allow owners to quickly and easily add the suppressor of their choice.

Manufactured entirely in the United States by Smith & Wesson, the .22 LR pistol provides shooting enthusiasts with M&P accuracy and reliability in a new fun-to-shoot, compact profile. Engineered to professional standards, the new tactical rimfire pistol incorporates a variety of features inherent to the design of the full size M&P centerfire pistol in a new, smaller scale suppressor-ready version.

“The acceptance of sound suppressors across the shooting sports continues to gain momentum as a growing number of today’s firearm owners have been able to use these devices and see firsthand their effectiveness in reducing noise,” said Laurel Smith, Brand Director for Smith & Wesson. “This new version of our tactical M&P22 Compact delivers the must-have features that fans of M&P pistols have come to expect combined with the ability to add a suppressor with minimal effort.”

The new M&P22 Compact Suppressor Ready model features a lightweight pistol built on a polymer frame with an aluminum alloy slide and carbon steel barrel and comes pre-packaged with the required installation tools. For those consumers who already own an M&P22 Compact, Smith & Wesson is also offering a stand-alone sound suppressor adaptor kit that can be purchased separately.

The M&P22 Compact Suppressor Ready model is now shipping and carries an MSRP of \$409. The M&P22 Compact Sound Suppressor Adaptor Kit is also shipping to authorized Smith & Wesson dealers and has an MSRP of \$39. The kit includes a thread adaptor, wrench and thread protector.

For more information on the M&P22 tactical rimfire pistol, please visit www.smith-wesson.com

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