



AE

rifle system MkIII



From the same DNA as the legendary AW

AE MKIII

Accuracy International introduced the AE in 2001 at the request of the law enforcement community. Following ten years stellar service, with specialist police sniper input, the evolution continues...

The AE MKIII incorporates the following key features:

- AW style three position safety, allows safe movement and unloading of rifle
- AICS 5 and 10 round magazines deliver greater capacity in a shorter overall length
- Removable trigger group for easier maintenance
- Standard adjustable cheekpiece
- Double chamber muzzle brake to reduce recoil and muzzle flash
- Optional 20 inch barrel with standard muzzle brake or threaded muzzle brake for AI suppressor
- Optional 18moa or 28moa, 30mm or 34mm, unitary scope mounts



Calibre: .308 Win



the choice of professionals worldwide

Accuracy International was formed in 1978 to design and build tactical rifles. The original design ethos combined two factors into a unique package: namely the incorporation of performance enhancing features learned in Olympic and international target shooting onto a rifle platform exhibiting full military ruggedness.

The current designs are faithful to the original concept but also benefit from thirty years of continuous improvement. These advances are not cosmetic but are driven by the needs of users, highly trained military and police units in over 60 countries world-wide. On a daily basis such units are exposed to 'live' tactical situations in the most demanding environments where first shot accuracy is critical.

As a global leader in our field, the rifles are produced in a purpose built facility in the UK under a management system certified to ISO 9001:2008. All components are manufactured to Accuracy International designs to ensure that they are optimised for the function they must perform, something that cannot be achieved with a ruggedised sporting weapon.



1 Barrel

The match grade, free floating barrel is screwed into the action through the heavy duty recoil lug. This provides a rigid mount and results in consistent cold shot performance. A barrel can be changed in less than ten minutes using the barrel change kit. The standard double chamber muzzle brake reduces recoil and muzzle flash. A 20" barrel is also available with a threaded muzzle brake for AI suppressor.

2 Action

The AE MkIII features a round machined wrought steel action, with a Picatinny rail screwed onto the action.

3 Full length aluminium chassis

The stiffness of the chassis means that any available surface can be used to support the rifle with no effect on accuracy. Its construction means that it is impervious to weather.

4 Folding chassis

When folded, the overall length is reduced by 8" (210mm). Ideal for rapid deployment from a vehicle, the stock locks in the folded position for security and to avoid noise. Released by simply pulling on the butt, the wear compensated hinge ensures total rigidity in the extended position. This option adds 0.2kg (0.4lb) to the weight.

5 Butt pad

Each rifle is fitted with a fixed bolt-on pad together with 10mm (0.4") and a 0.8" (20mm) spacer. Additional spacers are available to customize the length of pull.

6 Picatinny rail

This option is screwed on to the action by 4 screws providing a standard interface for many optical systems.

7 Trigger assembly

The rifle is fitted with a two-stage trigger, which allows a large sear engagement to be maintained until the user takes up the first stage. This reduces the chance of an accidental discharge if the rifle is jolted when cocked. The trigger is adjustable for pull weights of 1.5-2.0kg (3.3-4.4lb). The trigger assembly can be easily removed for cleaning by undoing two screws.

8 Safety mechanism

The AE MkIII has a new three position safety mechanism (the same as the legendary AW series). Position 1 (rear) blocks the firing pin and locks the bolt in the closed position. Position 2 (mid) blocks the firing pin, but frees the bolt so a live round can safely be removed from the chamber. Position 3 (forward) allows the weapon to be fired. The safety will only operate when the bolt is cocked.

9 Stocksides

Designed to provide a secure grip and a repeatable shooting position in all conditions, the aluminium chassis is encased in polymer stocksides with an adjustable cheekpiece. With sights at normal height, this provides a solid position for the user's cheek. Stocksides are impervious to all normal cleaners and lubricants used in small arms maintenance and are available in black, green or dark earth.

10 Adjustable cheekpiece

The standard adjustable cheekpiece adjusts left/right as well as for height to obtain optimum cheek position when using night vision equipment or telescopic sights with large objective lenses.

11 Bolt

The 0.75" (20mm) diameter steel close fitting bolt combined with vents and a gas shroud minimises blowback in the event of cartridge failure. The integral short throw bolt handle (60°) with large bolt knob, lies close to the stockside just above the trigger to minimise movement of the user's hand. The bolt can be field stripped without tools for cleaning.

12 Sling fixing points

Four sling attachment points are fitted as standard. Two are mounted on each side of the weapon, so the rifle can be carried flat against the back for security and comfort over rough terrain and long distances.

13 Bipod adapters

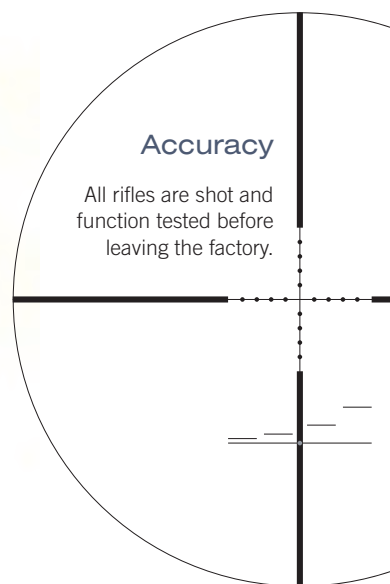
The chassis has integral fixing points for bipods to suit both Accuracy International and Harris™ designs.

14 Magazine

One flush fitting, five shot detachable steel magazine is included. This industry-leading design is corrosion resistant and low friction for reliable feeding. An optional ten shot magazine is also available.



- Standard features
- Options



AE MkIII specification

Calibre	.308 Win		
Barrel length	20" plain not fluted	20" plain, threaded with muzzle brake	24" plain
Barrel twist	1 in 12	1 in 12	1 in 12
Magazine capacity	5 shot (standard) 10 shot (option)	5 shot (standard) 10 shot (option)	5 shot (standard) 10 shot (option)
Weight*	5.5kg (12lb 2oz)	5.6kg (12lb 6oz)	5.8kg (12lb 13oz)
Length extended	1020mm (40")	1040mm (41")	1125mm (44.5")
Stockside colour**	BLACK GREEN DARK EARTH	BLACK GREEN DARK EARTH	BLACK GREEN DARK EARTH

*Approximate weight with fixed stock and empty magazine.
**Barrels and actions are black.

Accessories

Description	Part No.
Target adjustable butt plate	1044
AI scope mount 45moa 34mm	5656
AI scope mount 28moa 34mm	3436
AI scope mount 18moa 34mm	3108
AI scope mount 18moa 30mm	6371
AI design bipod	2485
Magazine (5 shot)	3901
Magazine (10 shot)	3902
Handstop	1032
Sling (black)	3700
Sling (green)	0647





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