

DI GAS BLOCK

FOR THE DIRECT IMPINGEMENT GAS SYSTEM



Thank you for purchasing Superlative Arms® products. Before proceeding to installation, please make sure to follow the safety steps below:

MAKE SURE THE WEAPON IS UNLOADED BY DOING THE FOLLOWING:

1. Make sure the firearm is pointed in a safe direction.
2. Remove the magazine and lock the bolt carrier back.
3. Place the safety selector in the "SAFE" position.
4. Physically and visually inspect the chamber to make sure it is clear.

WARNING | We recommend that a qualified gunsmith install all components. Always practice safe firearm handling procedures when using or maintaining firearms. Superlative Arms is not responsible for damage, injury, or death caused by your own intentional, accidental, or negligent discharge or misuse of the firearm.

INSTALLING THE SUPERLATIVE ARMS ADJUSTABLE GAS BLOCK

1. Start with a barreled upper receiver (minus the handguard and muzzle device).
2. Attach the appropriate length gas tube (not included) to the block using the 5/64" x 5/16" roll pin (included).
3. While carefully sliding the gas block towards the barrel shoulder, also guide the gas tube into the upper receiver. Allow for a .025" gap between the shoulder and the back of the gas block (use feeler gauges). This will locate the gas hole in the barrel with the gas hole in the block.

THE MIL-SPEC CALL OUT FROM THE SHOULDER TO THE CENTER OF THE GAS HOLE IS .295" ON AN AR-15. SOME BARRELS AND/OR OTHER PLATFORMS MAY HAVE A PROPRIETARY GAS PORT LOCATION. IF YOU ARE NOT SURE, PLEASE CONTACT THE BARREL MANUFACTURER. **THIS IS CRITICAL FOR PROPER GAS HOLE ALIGNMENT.**

FOR SOLID, SET SCREW GAS BLOCKS

- 4A. Visually align the top radius of the gas block with the center of the clover in the upper receiver and proceed to tighten your set screws with a 3/32" Allen wrench. Many barrels are pre-dimpled. Superlative Arms gas blocks have a set screw location of .500" from center to center. If the pre-dimpled barrel you have chosen has a different center to center, you may secure the screw closest to the shoulder. Apply medium thread locker to the threads of the set screws and **only hand tightening** is needed.

FOR CLAMP ON GAS BLOCKS

- 4B. Visually align the top radius of the gas block with the center of the clover in the upper receiver and lightly snug your clamping screws with a Torx T-15 wrench provided. Using a torque wrench (inch pounds), slowly tighten the clamping screws. Not to exceed 30 inch lbs. Thread locker is not required.
5. Install your handguard to visually verify that the block is centered.
6. Proceed to the **ADJUSTMENT INSTRUCTIONS.**

INSTALLATION TIP: If you are having difficulty getting the gas block on the barrel, you can use grease to help slide it on. For clamp on gas blocks, use a large flat head screw driver with tape on the tip to help carefully spread the gas block. Do not twist the gas block as this may scratch the barrel.

GAS BLOCK |

Barrel Diameter: .625" / .750" / .875" / .936"
Attachment Type: Solid, Set Screw / Clamp On

Material: 416 Stainless Steel / Grade 5 Titanium
Finish: Stainless Steel, Matte / Melonite, QPQ / DLC

Weight: 1.37 oz. – 1.84 oz.
Length: 1.00"



SOLID, SET SCREW

.500" Center to Center Spacing
Hand Tighten Snug

CLAMP ON

Torque not to exceed
30 inch pounds

The Superlative Arms Patented Bleed Off Mode, direct impingement, gas block for the AR-15 platform adjusts the gas flow by bleeding the gas out of the front of the block instead of restricting the flow like conventional adjustable blocks.

RESULTS:

- > The pressure used in the block is reduced only to the amount required to drive the bolt carrier. The remaining gas and pressure are bled out of the block allowing the system to run much cleaner and cooler. Reduction of wear on the bolt carrier group components and upper receiver.
- > Reduction of felt recoil allowing for faster follow-up shots.
- > Patented adjustment detent is located outside of the block and therefore no contamination.
- > In Bleed Off Mode the gas adjustment screw does not restrict the gas flow; therefore, there is no erosion or seizing of the screw, and no loss of detent due to carbon build up. Although it is removable, we have added a safety mechanism, which stops you from unintentionally backing the screw all the way out.
- > When using SBR's and/or suppressors the Bleed Off port allows the excessive pressure to be exhausted out of the block reducing blow back.



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ADJUSTMENT INSTRUCTIONS USING THE SUPERLATIVE ARMS® PATENTED BLEED OFF® MODE

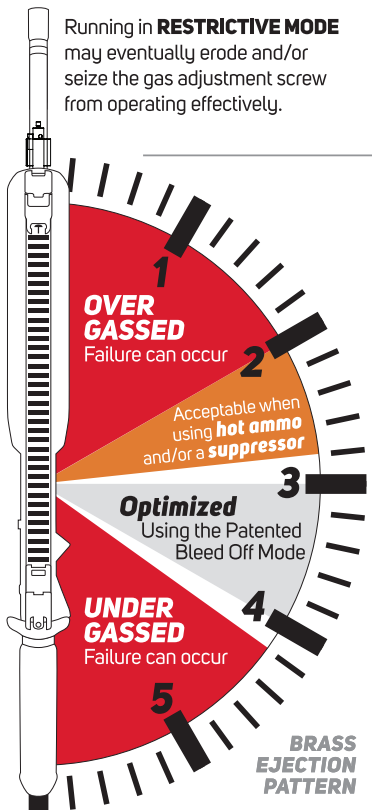
*** PLEASE READ BEFORE HEADING TO THE RANGE, TRAINING, OR DUTY ***

BLEED OFF MODE VS RESTRICTIVE MODE |

Using the right amount of gas pressure in **BLEED OFF MODE** has many benefits:

- Proper cycling of the bolt carrier group.
- Less felt recoil allowing for faster follow up shots.
- Less heat and carbon fouling, keeping your DI system cooler and cleaner.
- Minimize wear on the internal components.
- Adjustment screw is not exposed to high heat, pressure and fouling.

Although you can use your gas block in restrictive mode, we always recommend using the bleed off mode to experience the benefits listed above.



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NOTE | There are numerous variables that will effect gas pressure such as ammo, gas port diameter, barrel length, gas system length, buffer weight, carrier weight, use of a suppressor, etc. It is imperative to know how your rifle is operating. We recommend using a standard carbine buffer and buffer spring, a standard bolt carrier group, and unsuppressed to dial in your rifle. You can always add specialty components (one at a time), or a suppressor later.

OPTIMIZING YOUR DIRECT IMPINGEMENT SYSTEM |

The Superlative Arms patented Bleed Off gas block comes to you with the adjustment screw in the closed position (zero pressure). From here you will adjust the piston gas block utilizing the 3/32" Allen wrench provided.

Before firing, start by backing out the gas adjustment screw counterclockwise 18 clicks or four and a half revolutions (4 clicks/revolution). This is equal to a non-adjustable gas block at full pressure. A barrel manufacturer will port their barrels for a non-adjustable gas block. From 18 clicks you have 30 more clicks of adjustment you can make before the patented exterior detent mechanism prevents the gas adjustment screw from coming all the way out. This is a reference point so the end user knows this is the last position of adjustment. *****DO NOT OVER TORQUE AS THIS WILL DAMAGE THE PLUNGER*****

Next, load 5 rounds into the rifles magazine using the lowest pressure ammo that you plan to use. Keeping your rifle pointed in a safe direction (down range), insert the magazine and charge the rifle. In a safe manor, fire your rounds consecutively at your intended target, while noticing where your brass is ejecting. Please do not use a brass catcher during this process.

Is your rifle cycling properly? If you are not cycling properly, or not at all, **STOP HERE.** Please check to make sure you have adjusted the gas adjustment screw out CCW to the starting point of 4.5 revolutions from closed. If yes, please check the installation of your gas system components. The gas block may be installed incorrectly or another variable may be effecting the operation.

If your rifle is cycling properly, where is your brass ejecting? Where your brass is ejecting can tell you how your system is operating and how to make the correct adjustments.

BRASS EJECTION PATTERN | (REFER TO THE DIAGRAM LEFT)

For a standard AR-15, if your brass is ejecting between 3-4, your gas system is optimized. For best results, dial it in between 3-3.5 (with usage, your BCG will slow down with carbon build-up mimicking an under gassed system). If your brass is ejecting between 1-2.75, your system is over gassed. If your brass is ejecting between 4-6, your system is under gassed. An over/under gassed system can cause failures.

OVER GASSED |

Failures can occur by the speed of the carrier coming back too fast. If you are over gassed, follow these instructions: Back the adjustment screw out counterclockwise until you bleed off enough pressure to achieve the recommended brass ejection pattern. If you are still over gassed at full bleed off, we recommend using a heavier buffer and/or buffer spring.

UNDER GASSED |

Failures can also occur when there is not enough gas pressure to cycle the BCG properly. If you are under gassed, please follow these recommendations:

- Verify that you have followed the installation instructions correctly. Your gas block may be not have proper coverage over the gas hole on the barrel. Check to see if the gas block is located properly.
- Try running higher pressure ammo to see if you are marginal.
- Use a lighter buffer and/or buffer spring. If you are running a standard carbine buffer, you can remove/change some of the weight(s) inside the buffer.
- Add more back pressure with a muzzle device or suppressor.
- Check gas port size.

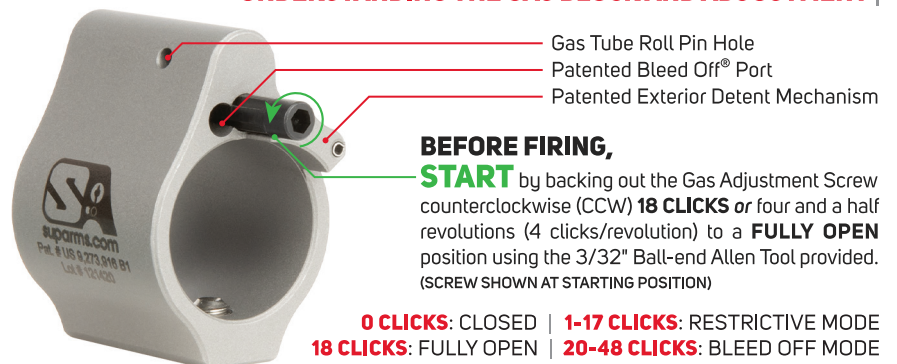
MAINTENANCE |

No maintenance is required when using Bleed Off Mode. If you plan on shooting in restrictive mode, we highly recommend backing the gas adjustment screw out counterclockwise until it stops and apply a dab of anti-seize to the gas adjustment screw before going into restrictive mode.

TIPS |

- Take notes on your build and the adjustments you made to dial in your rifle from the starting point. This will help when adding or removing a suppressor, and/or changing ammunition.
- When adding new components to your build that effect the operation and cycling, do it one at a time so you can see how your system will react.

UNDERSTANDING THE GAS BLOCK AND ADJUSTMENT |



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