

.22 Rim Fire Boxes
of the U.S.A.
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AMERICAN EAGLE



The AMERICAN CARTRIDGE CO.
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A-7	SF-3	F-8
		
		

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RED AMERICAN EAGLE Series

BB-1



S-1



S-2



S-3



S-4



S-5

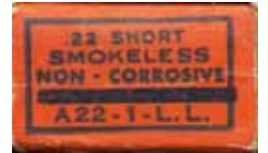


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RED AMERICAN EAGLE Series

This was a manufacturer who produced .22's during the 1921 to the date they were taken over by the Federal Cartridge Co. When and how they were taken over is not known.

- BB-1 .22 BB CAP. "Copper Coated". 100 round box. Red one-piece box with white and red printing. No Product code . Copper case with no h/s. Copper-washed bullet.
- S-1 .22 SHORT. Red one-piece box with white and red printing. Product code A22-1-L.L. End flap reads .22SHORT SMOKELESS NON-CORROSIVE PRIMING.
(a) Copper case with no h/s. Lead bullet.
(b) Brass case with no h/s. Lead bullet
- S-2 .22 SHORT. Red one-piece box with red and white printing. Product code A22-1-S.C. Copper case. No h/s. Copper-washed bullet.
(a) End flap reads: .22 SHORT SMOKELESS NON-CORROSIVE COPPER COATED.
(b) End flap reads: .22 SHORT SMOKELESS NON-FOULING COPPER COATED.
- S-3 .22 SHORT. Red one-piece box with red and white printing. Product code A22-1-L.L. Copper case. No h/s. Copper-washed bullet. End flap reads: .22 SHORT SMOKELESS NON-CORROSIVE . Copper Coated is struck out.
- S-4 .22 SHORT. "COPPER COATED". Red one-piece box with red and white printing. The box is over-stamped COPPER COATED. Contents unknown. End flap reads: .22 SHORT SMOKELESS NON-FOULING PRIMING. Product code A22-1-S.G.
- S-5 .22 SHORT. "SUPERIOR". Like S-4 but has SUPERIOR over-stamp. Transition box. Brass case with A-7 h/s. No flap warning. Product code A22-1-SC



Bottom Sample



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L-1



L-2



LR-1



LR-2



LR-3



LR-3.1



LR-4



WRF-1



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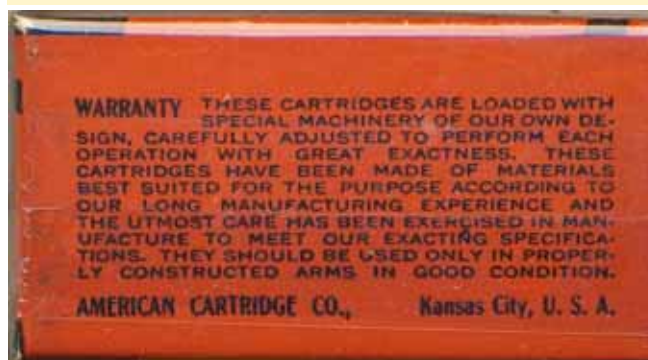
- L-1 **.22 LONG.** Red one-piece box with red and white printing. Brass case with no h/s. Lead bullet. End flap reads: .22 LONG SMOKELESS NON-CORROSIVE PRIMING. Product code A22-2-L.L.
- L-2 **.22 LONG.** Red one-piece box with red and white printing. Copper case with no h/s. Copper-washed bullet. End flap reads: .22 LONG SMOKELESS NON-FOULING COPPER COATED. Product code A22-2-SC.
- LR-1 **.22 LONG RIFLE.** Red one piece box with white and black printing. Brass cases with no h/s. Lead bullet. End flap reads .22 LONG RIFLE SMOKELESS NON-CORROSIVE PRIMING. Product code A22-3-L.L.
- LR-2 **.22 LONG RIFLE.** Red one piece box with white and black printing.
(a) Copper cases with no h/s, Lead bullet End flap reads: .22 LONG RIFLE SMOKELESS NON-FOULING COPPER COATED. Product code A22-3-S C
(b) Copper cases with no h/s, Copper-washed bullet End flap reads .22 LONG RIFLE SMOKELESS NON-CORROSIVE COPPER COATED. Product code A22-3-SC
- LR-3 **.22 LONG RIFLE.** Same as LR-2 except the "COPPER COATED" is blacked out and "L.L." is over-stamped on ends. No h/s on a copper case. Lead Bullet.
- LR-3.1 **.22 LONG RIFLE.** Same as LR-3 except just the "COPPER COATED" is blacked out on top and ends. Product code A22-3-L.L.
- LR-4 **.22 LONG RIFLE.** Red one-piece box with red and white printing. The box is over-stamped COPPER COATED. Copper case. Copper-washed bullet. End flap reads: .22 LONG RIFLE SMOKELESS NON-FOULING PRIMING. Product code A22-3-S.G.
- WRF-1 **.22 WIN. RIM FIRE.** Red one-piece box with red and white printing. No product code. No end flap warning. Copper case with no h/s. Copper-washed bullet. Made by Western.



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RED SUPERIOR Issues

Bottom Sample



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It is not known when this issue was produced, but probably in the 1930's. Most of these boxes were made by Federal Cartridge Company and contain brass cases. A few have copper cases. The boxes with copper cases may be made by American Cartridge Company before they were purchased by Federal.

Warning "A"



Warning "B"



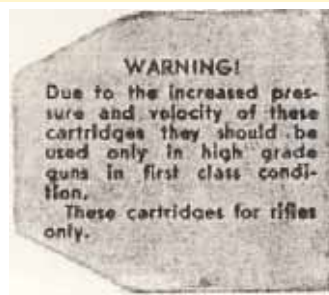
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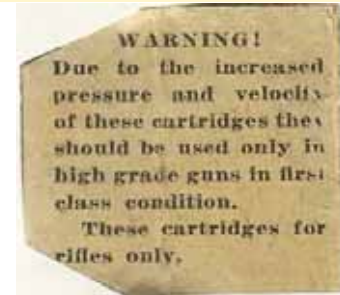
Warning "D"



Warning "E"



Warning "F"



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RED SUPERIOR Issues

S-1



S-2



S-3



S-4



L-1



L-2



L-3



RED SUPERIOR Issues

S-1 **.22 SHORT.** Red and black box with white and black printing. One-piece box with end flaps. Cartridges have "A-7" h/s.

- (a) "A" warning, brass case.
- (b) "B" warning, brass case.
- (c) "C" warning, brass case.
- (e) "E" warning, copper case.
- (f) "F" warning, brass case. NON-FOULING on ends

NOTE: The ends on the Short boxes all say "NON-CORROSIVE except for S-1 (f) and the ends of all the LONG and LONG RIFLE boxes all say "NON-FOULING". The reason for this is unknown."



S-2 **.22 SHORT (HOLLOW POINT).** Red and black box with white and black printing. One-piece box with end flaps. Cases have "A-7" h/s.

- (c) "C" warning, brass case.
- (e) "E" warning, copper case



S-3 **.22 SHORT (HOLLOW POINT).** Red and black box with white and black printing. One-piece box with end flaps. "B" range warning, brass case with "A-7" h/s.



S-4 **.22 SHORT (HOLLOW POINT).** Red and black box with white and black printing. One-piece box with end flaps. "B" range warning, brass case with "A-7" h/s.



L-1 **.22 LONG.** Red and black box with white and black printing. One-piece box with end flaps. Cases have "A-7" h/s.

- (b) "B" warning, brass case.
- (c) "C" warning, brass case.
- (a) "A" warning, brass case



L-2 **.22 LONG (HOLLOW POINT).** Red and black box with white and black printing. One-piece box with end flaps. Brass case with "A-7" h/s. "C" warning.



L-3 **.22 LONG (HOLLOW POINT).** Red and black box with white and black printing. One-box with end flaps. Brass case with "A-7" headstamp. "B" warning.



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RED SUPERIOR Issues

LR-1



LR-2



LR-3



LR-4



LR-5



WRF-1



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- LR-1 **.22 LONG RIFLE.** Red and black box with white and black printing. One-piece box with end flaps. Cases have "A-7" h/s.
- (a) "A" warning, brass case.
 - (b) "B" warning, brass case.
 - (c) "C" warning, brass case
 - (f) "F" warning. copper cases, cadmium bullets??
- LR-2 **.22 LONG RIFLE (HOLLOW POINT).** Red and black box with white and black printing. One-piece box with end flaps. Cases have "A-7" h/s
- (c) "C" warning, brass case.
 - (d) "D" warning, copper case.
 - (e) "E" warning, brass case
- LR-3 **.22 LONG RIFLE (HOLLOW POINT).** Red and black box with white and black printing. One-piece box with end flaps. Brass case with "A-7" h/s. "B" warning.
- LR-4 **.22 LONG RIFLE (HOLLOW POINT).** Red and black box with white and black printing. One-piece box with end flaps. Brass case with "A-7" h/s. "A" warning.
- LR-5 **.22 LONG RIFLE.** Red and black box with white and black printing. One-piece box with end flaps. Over-stamped CADMIUM PLATED. "F" warning. Copper case with "A-7 h/s.
- WRF-1 **.22 WIN. RIM FIRE.** Red and black box with white and black printing. One-piece-box with end flaps. "E" warning. Brass case with no h/s. Lead bullet. Made by Western.



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YELLOW BOX Issues (Without Warning)

S-1



L-1



LR-1



LR-2



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YELLOW BOX Issues (Without Warning)

This box was produced after Federal Cartridge Co.'s takeover, yet before 1962. Dates are not known at this time.

Bottom



S-1 **.22 SHORT**. "FAST FLIGHT" Yellow and black box with black printing. One-piece-box with end flaps. No product code. Copper washed bullet. Variations noted:

- (a) "SF-3" h/s on a brass case
- (b) "F-8" h/s on a brass case.



L-1 **.22 LONG**. "FAST FLIGHT" Yellow and black box with black printing. One-piece-box with end flaps. No product code. "SF-3" h/s on a brass case. Copper washed bullet.



LR-1 **.22 LONG RIFLE** "FAST FLIGHT" Yellow and black box with black printing. One-piece-box with end flaps. No product code. Copper washed bullet. Variations noted:

- (a) "SF-3" h/s on a brass case.
- (b) "F-8" h/s on a brass case.



LR-2 **.22 LONG RIFLE (HOLLOW POINT)**. "FAST FLIGHT". Yellow and black box with black printing. One-piece-box with end flaps. No product code. Copper washed bullet. "SF-3" h/s on a brass case



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YELLOW BOX Issues (With Warning)

S-1



L-1



LR-1



LR-2



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YELLOW BOX Issues (With Warning)

This is the same as ACC-3, except a white warning label was added to the top. This should indicate this is a 1962 product date issue.

Bottom



S-1 .22 SHORT "FAST FLIGHT" Yellow and black box with black printing. One-piece-box with end flaps. No product code. Copper washed bullet. Variations noted:

- (a) "SF-3" h/s on a brass case
- (b) "F-8" h/s on a brass case.



L-1 .22 LONG "FAST FLIGHT" Yellow and black box with black printing. One-piece-box with end flaps. No product code. Copper washed bullet. Variations noted:

- (a) "SF-3" h/s on a brass case
- (b) "F-8" h/s on a brass case.



LR-1 .22 LONG RIFLE "FAST FLIGHT" Yellow and black box with black printing. One-piece-box with end flaps. No product code. Copper washed bullet. Variations noted:

- (a) "SF-3" h/s on a brass case
- (b) "F-8" h/s on a brass case.



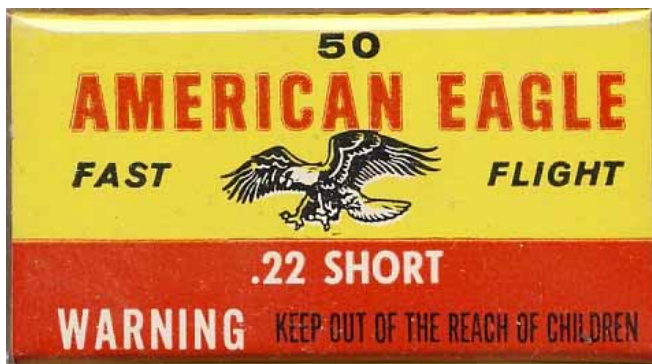
LR-2 .22 LONG RIFLE (HOLLOW POINT) "FAST FLIGHT". Yellow and black box with black printing. One-piece-box with end flaps. No product code. Copper washed bullet. "SF-3" h/s on a brass case



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S-1



S-1.1



L-1



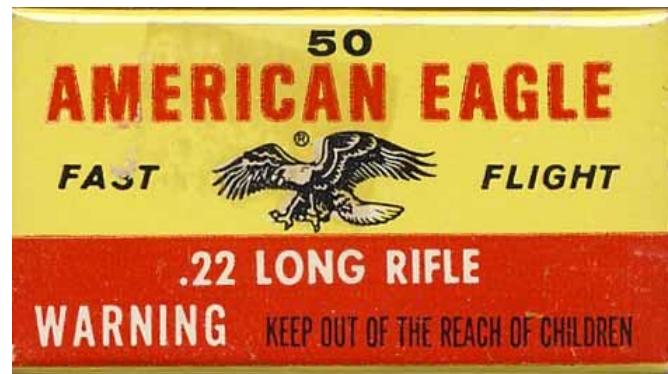
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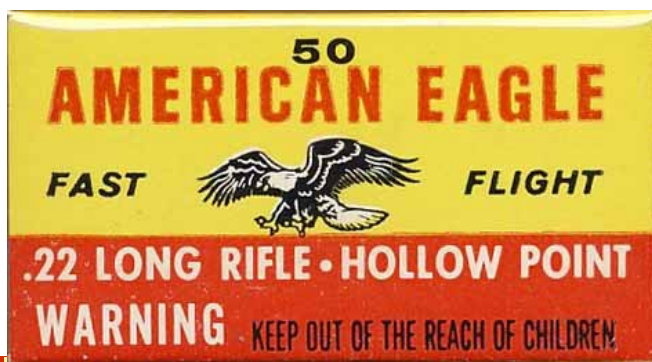
LR-1



LR-1-1



LR-2



LR-2.1



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AMERICAN EAGLE 2nd Issue

This seems to be the last issue of the American Cartridge Co. The exact date of this issue is not know at this time, however, It would be 1963 or later.

- S-1 **.22 SHORT**. "FAST FLIGHT". Red and yellow box with red, white and black printing. One-piece box with end flaps. Product code AE 701 on ends. "F-8" h/s on a brass case. Copper washed bullet.
- S-1.1 **.22 SHORT**. "FAST FLIGHT". Same as S-1 but has a registered trade mark emblem above eagle logo
- L-1 **.22 LONG**. "FAST FLIGHT". Red and yellow box with red, white and black printing. One-piece box with end flaps. Product code AE 706 on ends. "F-8" h/s on a brass case. Copper washed bullet.
- L-1.1 **.22 LONG**. "FAST FLIGHT". Same as L-1 but has a registered trade mark emblem above eagle logo
- LR-1 **.22 LONG RIFLE**. "FAST FLIGHT". Red and yellow box with red, white and black printing. One-piece box with end flaps. Product code AE 710 on ends. "F-8" h/s on a brass case. Copper washed bullet.
- LR-1.1 **.22 LONG RIFLE**. "FAST FLIGHT". Same as LR-1 but has a registered trade mark emblem above eagle logo
- LR-2 **.22 LONG RIFLE (HOLLOW POINT)**. "FAST FLIGHT". Red and yellow box with red, white and black printing. One-piece box with end flaps. Product code AE 712 on ends. "F-8" h/s on a brass case. Copper washed bullet.
- LR-2.1 **.22 LONG RIFLE (HOLLOW POINT)**. Same as LR-2 but has a registered trade mark emblem above eagle logo

Bottom

