



Member Tested and Recommended Program

Tuesday, October 13, 2009

Thank you for participating in our “Member Tested and Recommended Products Program.” The 223 REM 60gr TAP Urban has been tested and recommended by the members of the National Tactical Officers Association. Your overall score was a **4.5**. The NTOA Member Tested and Recommended logo may be used solely on the specific product that was tested.

Attached with this letter, is the Member Tested and Recommended Logo which can be used on all marketing pieces for this product. Also attached is a copy of the complete reviews that your company can use as well.

Press releases written regarding this product review must be emailed to NTOA for review before release.

Since the review is completed, it will now be added to online Member Tested product database. To make the review complete, please send us a digital image of the product that has been tested. This is now listed on the NTOA’s Member Tested and Recommended online database and review will soon be published in *The Tactical Edge* journal.

Please contact Corey Luby at advertising@ntoa.org if you would like to advertise in *The Tactical Edge* journal. Once again, thank you for participating Member Tested and Recommended Program©.

Thank you,

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Hornady Mfg
223 REM 60GR TAP Urban
Overall Score: 4.5
<http://www.hornady.com>

TESTER

Tested by a police officer from Washington

Design 5

Performance 4

Ease of Use

Size

Quality 5

Durability

Storage 4

Versatility

Convenience

Application 4

Comfort

Accuracy 4

Cleaning & Maintenance

Individual Score 4.33

I received two boxes of .223 Remington 60gr TAP manufactured by Hornady Manufacturing. The product number was 83286 and both boxes came from lot number 3050187.

The Hornady 60gr TAP uses a polymer tipped spitzer flat based bullet with a ballistic coefficient of .265. The bullet is cannelured and the case is slightly crimped.

With 40 rounds to test, I decided that function and some “real world” accuracy testing would be in order.

I used my duty M4 with an Aimpoint sight. The sight has a 4 minute dot. The targets were 6” bull’s-eyes set at 100 yards.

The ammunition functioned flawlessly through the M4. The cases were fairly clean coming out of the rifle and there were no signs of excessive pressure.

Five round groups were fired at 10 targets. The smallest group was 1” and the largest group was just over 3”. The average was 2.25. Granted, using an aiming dot that subtends 4” isn’t the best for wringing out accuracy from a particular bullet. But I wanted to see how this ammunition would work with what I carry.

There wasn’t enough ammunition to test terminal ballistics. Penetration tests were conducted on this round by Bushmaster Firearms and can be found at:

TESTER

Tested by a police officer from Ohio

Design 5

Performance 4

Ease of Use 5

Size

Quality 5

Durability 4

Storage 5

Versatility 5

Convenience 5

Application

Comfort

Accuracy 4

Cleaning & Maintenance

Individual Score 4.67

223 REM 60GR TAP Urban

I have read a lot of the claims on the TAP ammunition over the recent year. Currently I have been deploying 55gr ammunition as it has performed quite well in my 1:9 twist, DMPS, LoPro classic AR style rifle. In comparison with the current ammunition in terms of accuracy the Hornady 60gr TAP held a 1 MOA at 100yds and with only at ½ MOA rise in point of impact v. point of aim. I experienced zero function problems during the rounds I tested. As I did not run into the opportunity to put one of these rounds on a human subject, they did perform quite well on the gopher and muskrat that happened into my training area. Terminal ballistics created a sizeable exit wound on both test subjects. I would deploy with the round should the need arise.