

## M1 Garand Serial Number 2



The M1 is known as the Garand, because John C. Garand of Springfield Armory developed it. In 1932, several semi-automatic rifle designs were under consideration by the War Department Board at Springfield Armory. Eighty samples of the T1E1 submitted by John C. Garand were manufactured and tested. The first 2,902 M1 rifles were manufactured by Springfield Army in 1938. It was the standard weapon used during the Second World War. Although manufacturing ceased in the 1950s, it was still in use in Vietnam as late as 1963.

The M1 was primarily produced by Springfield Armory and by the Winchester Repeating Arms Company. This early example of the M1 was manufactured before the gas port was moved back into the barrel. Its gas port is in an adapter ahead of the muzzle.