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RIFLESCOPE OWNER'S GUIDE

Congratulations on your purchase of a Bushnell® **Legend®** riflescope! You are now the owner of one of the most technologically advanced riflescopes in the industry. Bushnell maintains absolute product integrity and quality control throughout the entire design, production, and delivery cycle of these riflescopes.



WARNING: NEVER LOOK AT THE SUN THROUGH THE RIFLESCOPE (OR ANY OTHER OPTICAL INSTRUMENT). IT MAY PERMANENTLY DAMAGE YOUR EYES.

LEGEND RIFLESCOPE FEATURES

Bushnell® is constantly at the forefront of quality and value, and Legend® riflescopes are the next step in the revolution. Legend® riflescopes are built with premium technology. Fully-Multi Coated Optics and waterproof construction offer crisp, bright images in every environment.

All exterior lens surfaces have our new EXO Barrier™ coating (in addition to full multi-coating). EXO Barrier, quite simply, is the best protective lens coating technology Bushnell has ever developed. Added at the end of the coating process, EXO Barrier molecularly bonds to the lens and fills the microscopic pores in the glass. The result is an ultra-slick coating that repels water, oil, fog, dust and debris - rain, snow, fingerprints and dirt will not stick. EXO Barrier is built to last: the bonded coating will not fade with the passage of time or normal wear and tear.

All Legend riflescope models feature:

- **CLARITY** - The best resolution and contrast in all lighting conditions
- **SECOND FOCAL PLANE** - Ensures accuracy at highest magnification
- **HIGH LIGHT TRANSMISSION** - Ultra Wide Band Coating enables optimum brightness and true color in every lighting condition.
- **VALUE** - Industry-best technology at an affordable price.

CARING FOR YOUR RIFLESCOPE

Your scope needs very little maintenance. Exterior metal surfaces should be kept clean. A light dusting with a slightly dampened soft cloth is enough in most cases.

Your new scope features windage and elevation turrets that are completely sealed against water intrusion. However, we recommend that you keep the windage and elevation caps on the turrets (*models with capped adjustments only*), except when making adjustments, to prevent dust and dirt from collecting in the turret area.

We also recommend that lens covers be kept in place when the scope is not being used. Lenses should be inspected regularly and kept clean at all times. Dust, dirt, and fingerprints that collect on the lens surfaces will severely degrade image quality, and if left unclean for long periods, the anti-reflection coating could be damaged. Although lens cleaning is not difficult, it does require care and some patience.

- Start with a lens brush or a small, soft bristle paintbrush. Gently whisk away loose dirt particles.
- Next, use an ear syringe or bulb aspirator (available in most drug stores) to blow remaining dirt or dust from lens surfaces.
- If further cleaning is needed, use a dry, soft lint-free cloth. Very gently wipe the lens, starting at the center using a circular motion, then working outward to the edge.
- If this has not corrected the problem repeat the process using condensation from your breath.

KEY ELEMENTS OF A SCOPE

There are four major elements of a scope:

- 1. Objective Lens:** This lens has three functions. First, it permits light to pass into the scope. Second, it determines resolution. Generally, larger lenses allow more light to enter the scope and resolve details better than smaller ones. Finally, it forms an image for the other lenses to magnify to a usable size. The image formed by this lens is upside down.
- 2. Erector System:** The erector system serves three functions. Its primary function is to erect the image (that is, flips the image right-side up) and align it to the reticle. During this process, primary magnification of the image takes place. These two functions are the result of lens action.

The third function is a mechanical one. The erector lenses are housed in a tube that is fixed at one end, while the other end of the tube is free to move and respond to dial adjustments. By moving the erector system, the point-of-aim of the scope is adjusted to match the point-of-impact of the bullet.



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3. **Reticle:** In simple terms, the aiming device around which the scope is built. This element replaces the iron sight system of non-scoped rifles.
4. **Ocular or Eye Lens:** This element provides the secondary and final magnification of the image.

MOUNTING YOUR SCOPE

Your new scope, even with its technologically advanced design and features, will not perform at its best if not properly mounted. One of the most important contributing factors to the accuracy of your scope and rifle is the selection of the mount and the care with which mounting is done. Dependable mounts that attach your scope solidly to the rifle will reward you with dependability and consistent accuracy. You should take as much care in selecting a mounting system as you did in selecting your scope.

Remember, not all scopes are compatible with all mounts on all rifles. If there is any doubt in your mind, you should seek the advice of your local retailer or gunsmith.



WARNING: A RIFLESCOPE SHOULD NEVER BE USED AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR EITHER A BINOCULAR OR SPOTTING SCOPE. IT MAY RESULT IN YOU INADVERTENTLY POINTING THE GUN AT ANOTHER PERSON.

PRELIMINARY SCOPE ADJUSTMENTS

Before installing the scope, we recommend you set the focus of the eyepiece to fit your individual visual requirement. Refocusing the ocular distance will result in a sharper reticle focus, an improved optical image, and will help to avoid eye fatigue when using the scope over prolonged periods of time. To refocus, hold the scope about 3 to 4 inches from your eye and point at the open sky or other flatly lit area such as a monotone painted wall.

Quickly glance into the scope. If the reticle appears blurred at first glance, it is out of focus. Turn the eyepiece clockwise or counter clockwise several turns. Glance into the scope again to check the sharpness of the reticle. Remember to take quick glances, as the eye will compensate for slightly out of focus conditions with prolonged looks. If the reticle still appears blurred, turn the eyepiece another two or three turns. Repeat this procedure until the reticle is sharp and clearly defined.

Unless your eyes undergo a significant change over the years, you will not have to make this adjustment again.

ATTACHING A MOUNT, RINGS AND SCOPE TO YOUR RIFLE



WARNING: BEFORE BEGINNING THE MOUNTING PROCEDURE, BE SURE THE ACTION IS OPEN, THE CLIP OR MAGAZINE IS REMOVED AND THE CHAMBER IS CLEAR. DO NOT ATTEMPT ANY WORK UNTIL YOUR FIREARM HAS BEEN CLEARED AND DETERMINED TO BE SAFE.



WARNING: IF THE SCOPE IS NOT MOUNTED FAR ENOUGH FORWARD, ITS REARWARD MOTION MAY INJURE THE SHOOTER WHEN THE RIFLE RECOILS.

In mounting your scope, we recommend that you DO NOT take short cuts as it may lead to damage to either the mounting system or to the scope. Each mounting system will have its own instructions to follow, and it is best to read the instructions first to be sure you understand them and have the necessary tools on hand.

We further recommend that you plan to go through the mounting procedure twice. The first time, to be sure everything fits together and functions properly. On the first run through, please keep the following in mind:

- Before attaching the base, clean the mounting holes in the receiver and the threads of the attaching screws with acetone or any good solvent to free them of oil or grease.
- If the mount manufacturer has recommended the use of a thread adhesive, do not use it on the first mounting trial. Once adhesive has set, it is difficult to demount if anything needs correction.
- Be sure the mounting screws do not protrude into the receiver or the barrel.
- When using dovetail mounts, do not use the scope as a lever when installing the scope. The initial resistance to turning may cause damage to the scope, and is not covered by the warranty. We recommend using a 1" wooden dowel or metal cylinder to seat the rings.
- Be sure the position of the scope does not interfere with the operation of the action.
- Be sure there is at least 1/8" of clearance between the edges of the rings and any protruding surfaces such as the turret housing (saddle), power selecting ring, and the flare of the objective bell. Also be sure there is at least 1/8" of clearance between the objective bell and the barrel.
- You should test position the scope for the proper eye relief. The scope rings should be left loose enough so that the scope will slide easily. Variable power scopes should be set at the highest magnification when performing this procedure. Mount the rifle and look through the scope in your normal shooting position.
- Test position the rifle for the proper cheek weld a number of times to ensure that your scope is positioned properly.
- When you are satisfied that everything is okay, demount and start again. This time, seat all screws firmly.

PARALLAX

You may have noticed that placing your eye at different positions behind the scope's eyepiece causes the reticle crosshairs to appear to move around to different points on your target. This is called "parallax error" (target and reticle are not in the same focal plane), and it becomes more noticeable (and more of a problem) at shorter distances and/or when the scope is set to higher powers. In most cases, parallax will not affect bullet point of impact enough to be of significant concern in large game hunting situations. The **Legend 6-18x50** model provides an adjustment for parallax compensation (side focus knob), which works by moving an optical element until the target (based on its distance) appears in the same plane of focus as the reticle. All **Legend** scopes are set at the factory to be parallax-free at 100 yards.

USING THE SIDE FOCUS (*Model BL6185BS11 Only*)

The 6-18x50 model employs a movable lens back near the reticle, so the adjustment can be made with a "side focus" knob placed next to the windage and elevation adjustments. Just line up the estimated distance to your target with the index dot, and you will eliminate the aiming errors caused by parallax. After setting the side focus, you can double check by moving your head around from side to side behind the eyepiece—the point of aim should not shift if the side focus is correctly set. An alternative method is to look through the scope and turn the side focus knob until the target, at whatever range, is sharply focused.

PRELIMINARY SIGHTING-IN

You can save a significant amount of expense and frustration by pre-sighting the scope to the rifle before you take it to the range for zeroing.

There are two basic methods that can be used for pre-sighting your scope. Method one is to use a Bushnell® Bore Sighter (laser, magnetic or standard). The use of a Bore Sighter saves time and ammunition and is the system most often used by gunsmiths. The second method is traditional bore sighting:

BORE SIGHTING METHOD

1. Place a target at 25 to 50 yards.
2. Remove the bolt from the rifle.
3. Place the rifle on sandbags or a shooting rest.
4. Set the scope to its lowest magnification.
5. Peer through the bore from the receiver and adjust the position of the rifle to center the target bull's eye in the bore (*Fig. A*).
6. Without moving the rifle, look into the scope and note the position of the reticle on the target. On models with capped elevations and windage adjustments, remove the caps. Adjust the windage and elevation adjustments to center the reticle on the bull's eye (*Fig. B*).

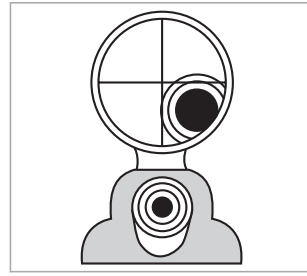


Fig. A
Reticle not in alignment

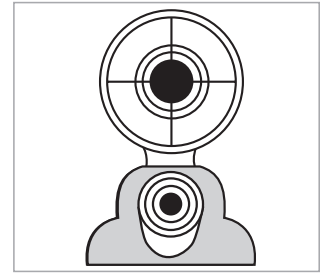


Fig. B
Reticle in alignment

FINAL SIGHTING-IN



WARNING: SINCE THIS PROCEDURE INVOLVES LIVE FIRE, IT SHOULD BE DONE AT AN APPROVED RANGE OR OTHER SAFE AREA. CHECK BORE FOR OBSTRUCTIONS. AN OBSTRUCTED BORE MAY CAUSE INJURY TO YOU AND OTHERS NEARBY. EYE AND EAR PROTECTION IS RECOMMENDED.

1. From a steady rest position, fire two or three rounds at a 100-yard target. Note the impact of the bullet on the target and adjust the windage and elevation dials as needed.
2. To move the bullet impact, turn the windage and/or elevation adjustments in the direction on the dials that corresponds to where the impact point falls on the target (for example, if test shots are hitting low, adjust elevation "down"). The adjustments on your riflescope model are marked in MOA (minutes of arc), and the point of impact at 100 yards will change by 1/4 MOA for each click of the windage or elevation adjustment. One full revolution of the adjustment=12 MOA.
3. When the impact on the 100-yard target is satisfactory, switch to a target set at the desired distance for final zeroing. Set the magnification to the desired power on variable power models.

THE CF500 RETICLE

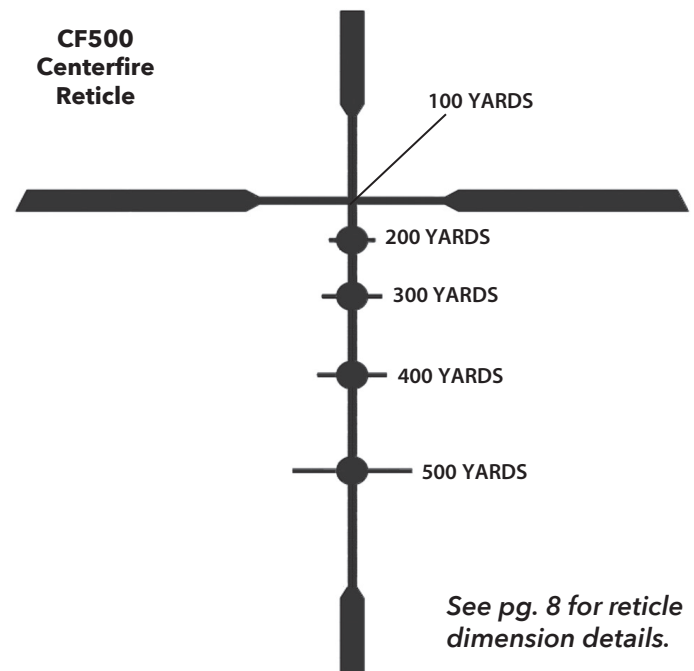
Designed to be used with today's most popular centerfire rifle cartridges, the CF 500 reticle is intended to be sighted in at 100 yards, and provides aiming points at every 100 yd increment, out to 500 yds. The user can sight-in at 100 yds on any magnification setting, but for the ballistic reticle feature to function properly, the scope's magnification must be set to the maximum power (9x, 12x or 18x depending on the model). The correct settings for the scopes that include the CF 500 reticle are as follows:

How To Use the CF500 Reticle:

1. Sight in at 100 yds on any magnification setting
2. Determine distance to target. For the best accuracy in determining distance, utilize a Bushnell Laser Rangefinder (Prime, Legend, Nitro).
3. Set the magnification to the appropriate setting.
4. Place appropriate aiming point on the desired target. If the target is determined to be at 350 yds, hold directly between the 300 yd aiming point and the 400 yd aiming point.

The CF 500 reticle will work with any of the following ammunition loads:

- .223 Win, 55 gr
- .243 Win, 95 gr.
- .25-06 Rem 115 gr
- .270 Win, 130 gr.
- .270 WSM, 150 gr.
- .7mm Rem Mag, 150 gr.
- .7mm WSM, 150 gr.
- .30-06 Sprg, 150 gr.
- .300 Winchester Mag, 180 gr.
- .300 WSM, 180 gr.
- .338 Win, 200 gr.



See pg. 8 for reticle dimension details.

Based on a 100-yard zero and the ballistics of the most common magnum loads, and with MOA dots as the long-range aiming points, the CF 500 offers a higher level of precision than competing extended-yardage reticles.

This is only a partial list of the ammunition that the reticle is ballistically matched to. For a complete list of all ammunition compatible with the CF 500 reticle technology, please visit: <http://www.bushnell.com>

ILLUMINATED RETICLE OPERATION/BATTERY REPLACEMENT (Model BL3940BS9 only)

The Multi-X reticle in this 3-9x40 model is illuminated. The illumination adjustment dial is located opposite from the windage adjustment, numbered from 1 to 6. To increase the brightness, set the control to a higher number (opposite the white index dot). To turn off the illumination and when storing the scope, set the dial to any of the "Off" positions (dots) between each numbered illumination setting.

To replace the battery, remove the cap on the brightness adjustment control knob using a coin (see photo, right), and insert a CR2032 battery with the "+" mark facing up.



ALTITUDE AND TEMPERATURE

Ballistic charts published by ammunition manufacturers are based upon standard sea level conditions. When sighting in, it is well to keep in mind that altitude and temperature affect trajectory. It is best to sight-in under the same conditions in which you will be hunting.

DO YOU NEED TO SEND YOUR SCOPE TO US?

Before returning your scope for service, you should check the following points to make sure the problem is with the scope:

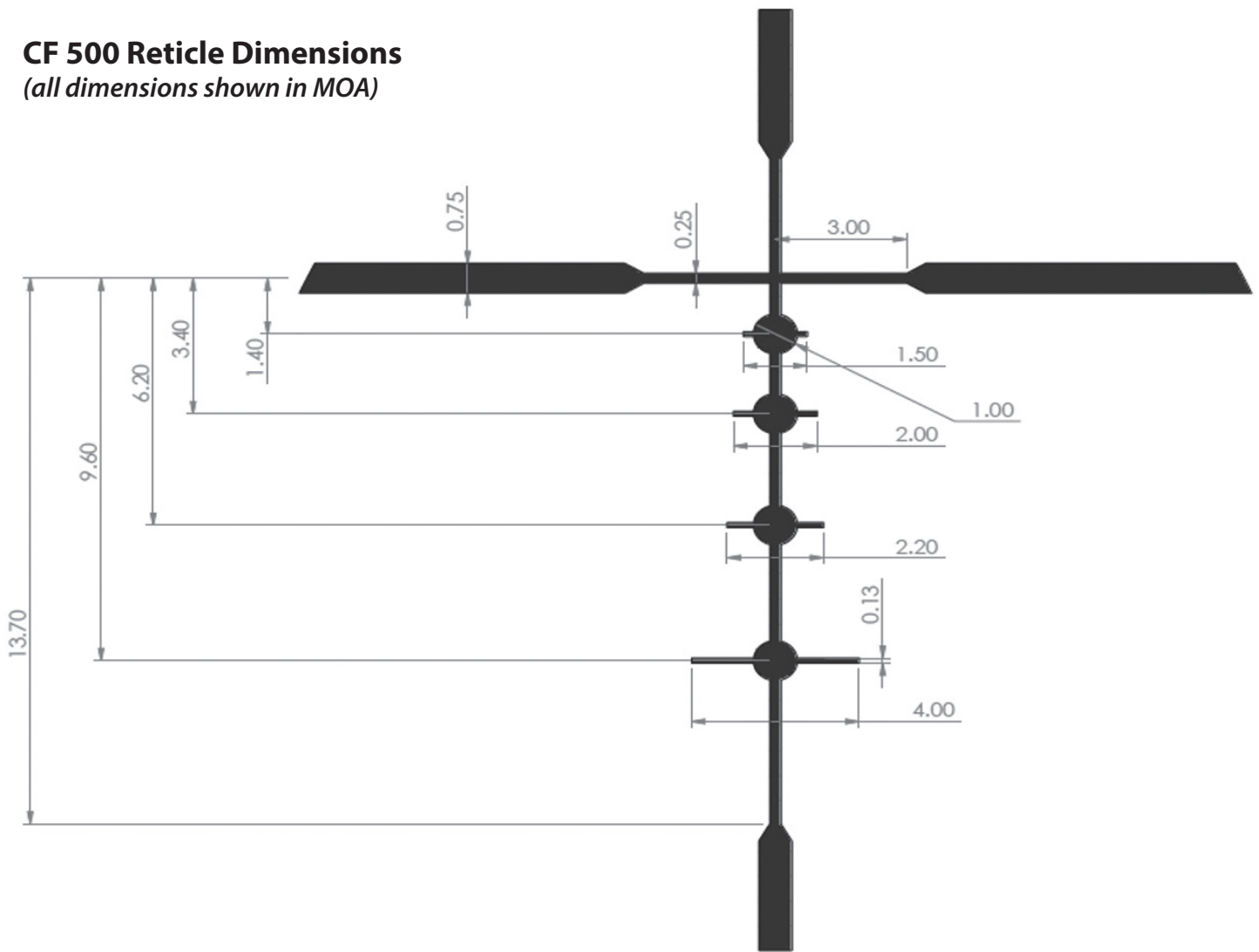
- Check the mounting system and rings for looseness or misalignment.
- Check to be sure the barrel and action are properly bedded and all receiver screws are tight.
- Check to be sure the mounting system allows sufficient clearance between the objective bell and the barrel.
- Check to be sure you are using the same type and weight ammunition that you used for sighting-in.

Technical Specifications

SKU	Mag x Obj. Diam.	Reticle	Turrets	Elev. Travel (MOA)	Travel per Revolution	Parallax Adjustment	Min. Parallax (Yards)	Eye Relief, Max Mag.	Field of View @ 100 Yds (Feet)	Length (inches)	Weight (oz)
BL3940BS9	3-9x40	Illuminated Multi-X	Capped	30/30	15	Fixed	100	2.9"	37.5-12.2	12.3	14.8
BL3940BS11	3-9x40	CF500	Capped	30/30	15	Fixed	100	2.9"	37.5-12.2	12.3	14.8
BL4124BS11	4-12x40	CF500	Capped	30/30	15	Fixed	100	2.9"	26-9	13.3	16.6
BL6185BS11	6-18x50	CF500	Capped	20/20	15	Side Focus	10	3.7"	17.3-5.7	12.8	19.4

CF 500 Reticle Dimensions

(all dimensions shown in MOA)





BUSHNELL IRONCLAD WARRANTY

Products manufactured on or after April 2017 are covered by the Bushnell Ironclad Warranty. The Ironclad Warranty is a full lifetime warranty that covers the lifetime of this Product. Each Product has a defined lifetime; lifetimes can range from 1 to 30 years. This Product's lifetime can be found at the website listed below and/or on the Bushnell webpage specific to this Product.

We warrant that this Product is free from defects in materials and workmanship and will meet all represented performance standards for the lifetime of this Product. If this Product isn't working properly due to a covered defect, we will, at our option, either repair or replace it and ship it back to you at no charge. This warranty is fully transferable and does not require a receipt, warranty card, or product registration. This warranty does not cover the following: electronic components; batteries; cosmetic damage; damage caused by failing to properly maintain the product; loss; theft; damage as a result of unauthorized repair, modification, or disassembly; intentional damage, misuse, or abuse; and ordinary wear and tear. This Warranty will be void if the date stamp or other serialization codes have been removed from the Product.

To view the full warranty and find details on how to request service under the warranty, go to our website at www.bushnell.com/warranty. Alternatively, you can request a copy of the warranty by calling us at 1-800-423-3537 or writing to us at one of the following addresses:

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Bushnell Outdoor Products
Attn.: Repairs
9200 Cody
Overland Park, Kansas 66214

IN CANADA Send To:

Bushnell Outdoor Products
Attn.: Repairs
140 Great Gulf Drive, Unit B
Vaughan, Ontario L4K 5W1

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You may have other rights which vary from country to country.

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