WEAPONS SAFETY CLASSES WHEN RELOADING OR SHOOTING

WEAR SAFETY GLASSES WHEN RELOADING OR SHOOTING

The easiest and best way of getting cases is to simply save those from your factory loaded rounds. New and used cases can also be purchased. Cases must be cleaned and dried. Do not use cases that have cracks or splits. If they have been used more than twice, they should be checked to see that none of them have become too large or unsafe. The easiest way is to trim them to the length of the cases to which they will be loaded. This permits sustained peak pressure to gain maximum acceleration within working pressure limits. Short, light straight sided cases, such as those used by most tubular magazines and auto-loading rifles. It could ruin your hunt if a bullet wedged in the chamber or pushed back into the case.

DO NOT USE magnum primers unless using a slow burning ball powder.

DO NOT USE a heavier bullet than recommended.

DO NOT USE more powder than recommended.

Cast bullets are very popular with the handloader. They are very economical to use and can be as accurate as jacketed bullets. They do not normally expand as well as soft lead jacketed bullets on game. It is usually a wise idea to weigh or shoot training cases when shooting or reloading.

The jackets serve a dual purpose: to control the bullet velocity, pressure and ballistic consistency. No die back into the case. Best accuracy is usually obtained with a pocket knife. Lee Turret Press has built-in primer catcher and does a better job crimping than the patented Lee Factory Crimp Die.
**BEFORE YOU START RELOADING**

The Lee Breech Lock Hand Press is ideally suited for use while seated. A right-handed person should hold the tool in his left hand and let the lever rest against the left leg. By holding the tool against your leg, you can move the lever and raise the ram, freeing your right hand to insert the case, primers or bullets.

You will shortly find that you can quite comfortably sit in your favorite chair with your left elbow resting on the arm for lengthy loading without tiring.

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**YOUR PRESS FEATURES THE LEE BREECH LOCK QUICK-CHANGE DIE BUSHINGS**

Thread your die into a quick-change bushing and lightly snug the lock ring. Once your dies are set you can instantly change to your next die.

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**PREPARE YOUR CASES**

Inspect your cases while lubricating them. Discard all cases with split necks, indications of head separation or other defects. Wipe on a thin film of Lee Casing Lubricant with your fingers. Fingers are the best way of lubing a case as any grit that could damage the case is wiped away.

The case may be immediately sized or you can let the lube dry.

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**INSTALL SHELLHOLDER**

Insert bushing into the press, turn clockwise 1/2 turn to secure. Adjust die in or out for proper operation.

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**INSTALL SIZING DIE**

Insert a Breech Lock bushing and screw the sizing die in until it touches the shell holder and moves the lever off the stop 1/4".

When properly positioned, tighten the lock ring. **NOTE:** DO NOT move the lever off the stop when using carbide dies.

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**PLACE THE LUBRICATED CASE**

In the shell holder and squeeze the levers together. Open the levers and remove the case. Do this with all of the cases before proceeding to the next step. **CAUTION** After every box of 20 rounds, remove the shell holder and dump out the spent primers.

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**CHARGE THE CASE**

Place a bullet on the case mouth and guide it into the die. Raise the ram to the top and withdraw. The adjusting screw controls the bullet seating depth. Adjust to suit.

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**SEAT THE BULLET**

Place a bullet on the case mouth and guide it into the die. Raise the ram to the top and withdraw. The adjusting screw controls the bullet seating depth. Adjust to suit.

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**INSERT**

Breech Lock bushing and screw bullet seating die in until it touches the shell holder — then back out three full turns. Lightly finger tighten the lock ring.

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**IF LOADING MAXIMUM loads, it is a good practice to remove all traces of case lubricant with detergent and water. This reduces pressure against the bolt.**

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