



## Saiga 7.62x39 Magazine Options

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### 1) Factory Configuration

**Note:** No Modifications to the gun. Every standard AK magazine will need to be modified. Also, you can only use steel AK mags and factory plastic ones.

**Skills Required:** Welding and Filing.

a) All standard AK mags need a feed ramp added to the front. This usually involves welding up to look like the factory mags although some have had success with a screw.

b) The bottom of the rear catches on all standard AK mags will need to be filed to get them to lock in.

### 2) Hybrid Configuration

**Note:** Both the gun and magazines are modified. This will allow use of the factory mags as well as standard plastic and steel AK mags. Also, you can still use the factory mags in other factory config Saiga rifles as well.

**Skills Required:** Drilling & Tapping and Filing.

a) A bullet guide needs to be added to the front trunnion.

b) The factory mags need to be filed down in front of the feed ramp to clear the installed bullet guide. The existing feed ramps in the mags remain intact.

c) The bottom of the rear catches on all standard AK mags will need to be filed to get them to lock in.

### 3) Military Configuration (best method)

**Note:** The gun is modified to lock in standard plastic and steel AK mags. Due to the modifications done to the gun, factory mags will no longer fit properly.

**Skills Required:** Drilling & Tapping and Filing.

a) A bullet guide needs to be added to the front trunnion.

b) The rear magazine catch on the gun needs to be filed to allow the thicker military mag catches to click in. You can also replace the triggerguard/mag catch assembly with an AKM/AK-74 one.

**Option:** To retain use of the factory mags, they may need to be filed down in front to clear the installed bullet guide. They seem to function just fine with the modified rifle rear catch