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7.62x39mm or Soviet M43

The **7.62x39**, is the cartridge used in the AK-47 and the SKS. Developed for the Soviet military for use in 1943, the 7.62x39mm assault rifle cartridge has come to be the preferred round of revolution in the world.



Ballistics - Standard military load for the 7.62x39 fires a 123 grain FMJ bullet at a muzzle velocity of 2329 fps.

New Production Ammo can be found manufactured by [Norma](#), [Wolf Performance](#), and [Winchester](#) to name a few.

Surplus Ammo can be found at most ammunition and firearm dealers, at very reasonable prices.

Reloading Dies are made by [Dillon Precision](#), [RCBS](#), [Redding](#), and [Lee Precision](#), to name a few.

Reloading components can be found at [Huntington's](#), [Midway USA](#), and the [Wholesale Hunter](#), to name a few.

Brass - Lapua and Winchester make new brass for this caliber.

Powder - Hodgdon H4895 and H4198, and Alliant Reloader 7 are

all good powders for this round.

Specification	7.62x39
Bullet Diameter	.310
Neck Diameter	.340
Shoulder Diameter	.394
Base Diameter	.443
Case Length	1.52
Cartridge Length	2.20
Velocity	2329

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