Parabellum – Caliber 9mm

Instruction Manual

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Safe Handling of Firearms –
For Krieghoff PARABELLUM Model P08

Caution!
Read and understand all instructions before using this or any other firearm. Read, learn, and observe the safety procedures described on page 4. Always point a firearm in a safe direction so that it does not endanger anybody, including yourself. Shot can be dangerous to over 400 yards, and bullets may range as far as three miles. Do not discharge a gun towards any hard surface, including water, because both shot and bullets can ricochet in unpredictable directions.

Never point any firearm towards another person or yourself!

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Warning – very important: Anyone who handles this firearm MUST read and follow these Instructions before using this firearm. Firearm safety is the user's responsibility!

Think Gun Safety!

General safety cautions for the use of firearms

1. Before using a firearm be sure that you fully understand how to handle and operate a firearm. Read and follow the instructions shown in this safety manual before using your firearm.

2. Always point the muzzle in a safe direction. Never point a firearm in the direction of anything you do not intend to shoot, another person or yourself.

3. Always handle a firearm as if it were loaded and ready to fire.

4. Keep your finger off the trigger and outside the trigger guard until you are ready to shoot.

5. Keep the action open and the gun unloaded until you are ready to use it.

6. If you pass a firearm to another person, completely unload the weapon and lock open the action.

7. Before loading a firearm make sure the barrel is clear of obstructions (water, soil, branches, jammed bullets).

8. Make sure you load your firearm only when you intend to shoot right away.

9. Make sure the safety is always in the "on-position". The safety should turned to the "off-position" only when you immediately intend to fire.

10. Always handle a firearm as if it were loaded. Never rely on any mechanical device as a safety.

11. Before firing always check the target and the backstop and make sure that there is no danger for people or property.

12. Never point your firearm at a person or yourself or anything you do not intend to

shoot at.

13. Always keep in mind that bullets can travel 2 miles (2-3 km) and more and can cause serious injury, death or damage to property.

14. Never shoot a handgun straight up in the air or at a high angle of elevation.

15. Never touch the trigger of a loaded firearm until you are aiming at the target.

16. Think before shooting. Once you pull the trigger, you can not take back the shot!

17. Shooting a firearm is a serious sport. There is no room for joking around or horseplay when handling a firearm.

18. Do not use drugs or alcohol when shooting and do not shoot if you are tired, cold or impaired in any way.

19. Do not use any ammunition other than original high quality commercially manufactured ammunition in good condition.

20. The use of reloaded cartridges can cause damage to the firearm and also injury, death or damage to property.

21. Use only ammunition that is identical with the caliber of your firearm. Your Krieghoff pistol model Parabellum P08 has the caliber 9mm PARABELLUM. Never use ammunition which exceeds industry standard pressure specifications.

22. Carry only one calibre of ammunition when shooting to avoid grabbing the wrong ammunition by mistake.

23. Dispose of unwanted ammunition safely.

24. Make sure that nobody is in the ejection area. Ejected shells can cause serious injury.

25. Always avoid ricochets. Never shoot at hard surface such as rock, or a liquid surface such a water.

26. Never carry a pistol with a round in the chamber or loaded in any fashion.

27. Never enter or leave a vehicle with a loaded firearm. Also never climb a treestand and never climb over obstacles (fences, trees, creeks, hedges etc.) with a loaded firearm.

28. Make sure your firearm is in top mechanical condition before firing it. Check your firearm over for any visible signs of wear or mechanical problems, please contact Krieghoff.

29. DO NOT modify this firearm in any way.

30. Never use a firearm if it fails to function properly. And never force a jammed action as a round may explode causing serious injury, possibly death, or severe damage to your firearm.

31. Always unload a firearm before laying it down, travelling or storing. Also make sure your firearm is not loaded and open the action.

32. You are responsible for making sure the firearm is under your positive control at all times and not accessible by other parties, especially children.

33. Lock your firearm at all times when not is use to prevent unauthorized or untrained persons from having access to your pistol.

34. Always keep and store the firearm and ammunition in separate locked receptacles out of reach of children and other persons.

35. Keep your fingers and other parts of your body away from the muzzle, the rear of the toggle, and the ejection area of the pistol.

36. Never use a firearm as a tool, i.e. lever or hammer.

37. **Important:** Before cleaning a firearm it must be unloaded.

38. If you sell your firearm make sure that all documents including the owner's manual will be handed over to the recipient of the firearm.

39. Always wear ear protection and protective shooting glasses when shooting.

If you do not follow the instructions and safety warnings shown above, the use or handling of your firearm can cause serious injury, death, or damage to property.

History
The New Krieghoff PARABELLUM, caliber 9mm Limited Edition

The Krieghoff PARABELLUM stands without rival. The precision, the reliability, the design and the unlimited durability of the Krieghoff PARABELLUM are all unique.

Krieghoff's tradition of PARABELLUM pistols goes back to the Nineteen Thirties and continues in the 21st century with a Limited Edition of 200 pistols.

Although best known in past history as the service pistol of choice of early 20th Century Military and Police agencies, the commercial version of the PARABELLUM is actually the more coveted and sought after version of the pistol. The Krieghoff Company has researched and developed the PARABELLUM Model 08 civilian version, continuing the production line halted over sixty years ago. The name Krieghoff proudly stamped on every PARABELLUM is your guarantee for precision, accuracy and quality.

Characteristics and how the Krieghoff PARABELLUM works

The Pistol is locked-breech recoil loading with a cocked firing pin spring for single shots. The Pistol has a manual safety.

When fired, the barrel and the recoiling mechanism lock together and move backwards. When the breech pressure has dropped to its limits, the center part of the toggle joint strikes against a sloping part of the frame, buckling the toggle joint behind the breechblock. The breechblock then continues rearward in the barrel extension guide. The extractor pulls the empty cartridge case back until it strikes the ejector and is ejected out of the pistol.

During the recoil movement the firing pin coil spring situated inside the breechblock is compressed and caught by the sear. As the toggle joint buckles upward, the recoil spring is compressed by a coupling pinned to the breechblock and recoil lever attached to the recoil spring in the grip.

The Magazine spring forces a cartridge up into line with the breechblock. The compressed recoil spring pulls down against the recoil lever drawing down the bent toggle joint. This action drives the attached breechblock forward in its guide and strips the top cartridge into the chamber. The breechblock and the two levers are now in alignment locking the pistol. The sear engages the trigger mechanism and the pistol is ready for the next shot.

WARNING!!The dismantled Pistol is able to fire, when the sear bar is pushed!!
Even without the grip frame mounted !!!!

Using and handling the Krieghoff PARABELLUM

Filling the magazine

- Point the gun in a safe direction away from yourself and others and make sure the safety is on with the word "GESICHERT" visible (German word for safe),

- Keeping finger outside the trigger guard, press the magazine release catch on left side of the pistol.

- Withdraw the magazine from the grip.

- Hold the magazine in your left hand and slide down the stud attached to feeder platform of the magazine. This will compress the magazine spring and allow you to slide cartridges, base first, under the flanges at the top of the magazine.

- The magazine will hold eight cartridges.

When emptying the magazine, gently pull down the stud and remove the cartridges.

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Filling the magazine

The magazine should only be filled and emptied with the combination tool, which is included with your Parabellum.

When filling the magazine, make sure that after each cartridge is inserted, the magazine spring is released and the magazin follower pushes upward against the cartridge. This will insure proper alignment and feeding. Using excessive force to insert or remove cartridges can damage the magazine and lead to malfunction of the pistol.
Dont let the combination tool slip unter high tension or without cartridges.

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Inserting the magazine into the pistol

ATTENTION

Point the gun in a safe direction away from yourself and others and make sure the safety is on with the word "GESICHERT" visible (German word for safe).

• With the safety on and the word GESICHERT visible (German word for Safe), hold the pistol in one hand.

• With your other hand insert the magazine into the grip with bullet noses pointed forward.

• Ease the magazine upward through the grip frame until it locks in position with slight pressure on the magazine base. An audible 'click' indicates the magazine is fully locked in place.

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Operating the safety lever

ATTENTION

Point the gun in a safe direction away from yourself and others prior to operating the safety.

The safety lever is located on the left side of the grip frame. To engage the safety pull lever back and down, exposing the word "GESICHERT" (the German word for SAFE). If the breech is cocked, the Pistol can be unloaded while the safety is engaged.

WARNING

Never rely solely on the safety. Always treat a firearm as if it is loaded, off safe and ready to fire!

Using and handling the Krieghoff PARABELLUM

Loading a cartridge

ATTENTION

Point the gun in a safe direction away from yourself and others and make sure the safety is on with the word "GESICHERT" visible (German word for safe),

• With the safety on and the word "GESICHERT" visible (German word for Safe), hold the pistol in one hand.

• KEEP FINGER OUT OF TRIGGER GUARD AND OFF TRIGGER!

• If the breech is cocked, the pistol can be loaded while the safety is engaged.

• Load a cartridge by gripping the milled knobs on the toggle joint and pulling up as far as the breechblock will go.

• Release the milled toggle which allows the breechblock to return to battery, placing a cartridge into the chamber.

A cartridge loaded in the chamber is indicated by the extractor visible above the breechblock exposing the word "GELADEN" (German word for LOADED).

The pistol is now ready to fire. Make sure the pistol is still on SAFE showing the word "GESICHERT".

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Shooting the PARABELLUM

With the gun in your shooting hand, index finger outside trigger guard and away from trigger, aim at your target. Move the manual safety to the firing position with your thumb. Only then place your finger on the trigger, readjust your aim and squeeze. After firing, release the trigger. During the firing sequence, the empty cartridge will be ejected and a new cartridge will be chambered. You may continue firing until the magazine is empty. A full magazine holds eight (8) rounds.

When the last cartridge from the magazine has been fired, the follower button of the magazine follower will engage a catch and hold the breech open and the toggle joint back.

Release the magazine by compressing the magazine release button. Once the magazine is partially or completely removed, you can then close the breechblock by pulling rearward on the toggle and releasing.

You may then insert a loaded magazine following the above outlined procedure and continue firing.

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Unloading / Uncocking – If the pistol is to be unloaded after a live cartridge has been chambered:

ATTENTION

Point the gun in a safe direction away from yourself and others and make sure the safety is on with the word "GESICHERT" visible (German word for safe).

- **REMEMBER – you are handling a LOADED GUN.**

- First, remove the magazine.

- Remove unfired cartridge from chamber by pulling back on the knobs of the toggle joint, which unlocks the breechblock and firing pin and ejects the live cartridge.

- When you are finished firing the Pistol, and have completely unloaded the magazine and chamber, pull the breechblock back approximately 1cm or 1/2 inch and visually check the chamber being empty.

- Uncock firing pin and main spring after use of Pistol. Uncocking of breech: Pull back the breechblock approximately cm or 1/2 inch - pull at the same time the trigger and release slowly breech into battery position.

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Disassembly

ATTENTION

Point the gun in a safe direction away from yourself and others and make sure that the safety is on with the word "GESICHERT" visible (German word for safe). Then remove the magazine and make sure that the chamber is empty. If there are live cartridges left in the magazine, also empty the magazine.

- Move the safety lever to engage the safety. The word "GESICHERT" (German word for SAFE) must be visible. See page 13 which covers the operation of the safety.
- Remove the magazine. Refer to page 3 for removal of the magazine.
- Push the muzzle against a hard protected wodden or plastic surface to release tension on the recoil spring.
- Unlock the breech by pulling back completely on the toggle joint as illustrated.
- With the tension removed, turn the locking bolt on the side plate down to a vertical position. Lift out the side plate.
- Release toggle joint slowly.
- Barrel with breechblock assembly may now be slid forward off the frame.

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Disassembly

Fold the toggle slightly to relieve tension and remove the retaining pin on the left side. Now pull the toggle joint with breechblock assembly containing the firing pin and extractor back in their guide and out of the frame.

No further disassembly is recommended or necessary.

If you wish to remove the firing pin, press firmly on the firing pin spring guide with the combination tool supplied or flat bladed 6mm screwdriver and turn to the left. Then release the pressure to relieve tension on the spring. The firing pin with spring can now be removed.

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Reassembling

To reassemble the Pistol, follow the dismantling sequence in reverse order. In order to avoid damage during reassembly, it is important to note the following instructions:

- Insert firing pin with spring.
- Push firing pin guide firmly in its position and turn to the right until it catches.
- **The index mark in the endplate of the firing pin spring guide must be in the vertical position.**
- Reinstall the breechblock and toggle assembly by inserting into the guide rails in the rear of the barrel assembly.
- Reinsert the retaining pin after aligning the holes of the breechblock and barrel assembly in rear. Pin should slip in easily if the alignment is correct.

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Inserting the barrel and breechblock into the receiver

• Holding Pistol upside down, slide the barrel with the breechblock assembly rearward on the frame guide rails.
• Make sure the T-shape coupling is clear and can engage the recoil lever in the frame.
• Once coupling reaches recoil lever, assembly is completed by turning pistol upright allowing coupling to fully engage recoil lever while moving barrel/breechblock assembly to rear.
• Pressing Pistol muzzle against hard surface, compress recoil spring slightly.
• Reinstall side latch with rear first and push the disassembly lever to the horizontal position. Side plate must sit flat against the frame before before the disassembly lever can be properly seated.
• Engage safety by moving safety lever to rear exposing the word "GESICHERT" (German word for Safe).
• Assembly is complete. Proceed as follows.

ATTENTION
Point the gun in a safe direction away from yourself and others and make sure the safety is on with the word "GESICHERT" visible (German word for safe).

With the gun unloaded, test that assembly has been completed correctly and Pistol functions properly by repeatedly pulling and releasing the breechblock and working the safety and trigger.

General Data

Model	Parabellum P08
Caliber	9mm Parabellum (Luger)
Overall length	220mm (8.661 inches)
Width of pistol	36mm (1.417 inches)
Height of pistol	135mm (5.314 inches)
Length of barrel	100mm (3.94 inches)
Number of grooves	6
Length of twist	250mm (9.842 inches)
Weight of pistol	approx. 835g (1.84 lbs.)
Weight of empty magazine	60g (2.116 oz)

Components

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2 Breechblock Assembly
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3 The Frame Unit
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3.2 Recoil Spring
3.2.1 Recoil Spring Guide
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3.3 Trigger
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3.4 Trigger Side Plate
3.4.1 Trigger Lever
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3.6 Locking Bolt
3.6.1 Locking Bolt Spring
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3.9.1 Safety Lever Pin
3.9.2 Safety Bar
3.10 Grip Screw
3.10.1 Left Grip
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4 Magazine
4.1 Magazine Body
4.2 Magazine Spring
4.2.1 Magazine Spring Cap
4.3 Magazine Follower
4.3.1 Magazine Follower Button
4.4 Magazine Bottom
4.4.1 Magazine Bottom Pin

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