Subject: Re: Man returns gun ammo to walmart at 1300 feet per second Posted by Oblivion165 on Tue, 11 Sep 2007 15:13:27 GMT

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I have pistol that I carry in my pocket (recent mugging just one building over) that I've had since I was 13 and I haven't shot one round out of it in those 7 years.

This is a very nice apartment complex and even it has the occasional crime. Some people walk around with guns like a kid with a walkie talkie. They think they have some power or authority and want to show it so they take any chance they can to use it.

Any and all decent gun safety course cover those types of situations. They teach you how to keep your cool and use a gun safely.

Now keep in mine that my handgun is very illegal in 3 ways, so that does make me hide the fact of ownership a lot more but never once shooting it in 7 years shows that I can handle myself and use a gun wisely.

Big Note: Yes I have shot many, many other guns in my life. Growing up in Texas requires you to have a gun. When I was a kid the sheriffs office would even train kids on gun safety to ensure that the kids would be safe and that the parents would trust their kids with a weapon.

Texas summers are like so: (Lake dallas Texas, just north of Dallas.)

113 degree summers and animals in order of quantity: Snakes, Scorpions and Tarantulas. You had to be on your toes and know how to use a gun incase you got in a situation that required one.

The rules as I remember them:

Ages 8 and under - No guns at all and adult required supervision just to play in the woods.

Ages 9 - 11 BB Guns with a certain amount of power

Ages 12 - 15 Pellet Guns

Ages 16 and up - .22 Caliber Rifles, CB caps only.

As long as your gun and age fit then you had no trouble from johnny law carrying them around your neighborhood or around the woods where us kids played. It was just the way of life.

I don't know how many snakes I've killed as a kid but I never once shot one just to shoot, the high temperatures made them pissed off and they didn't mind chasing you to show you just how mad they really were.

The other two seemed to always corner you in your own home. Scorpions are the worst, they are not afraid of you at all and they ALWAYS trap you somehow.

EDIT: Oh and I forgot to mention that never once did I hear of a kid shooting another kid in our neighborhood. Snake bites and Scorpion stings out the ass but even as kids we all knew it was not a toy.