How to: Disassemble and Reassemble the SKS Rifle

1) Make sure the rifle is pointed in a safe direction and depress the magazine latch shown in figure 1.

2) Open the magazine and make sure it is empty of cartridges. Leave it open as shown in figure 2.
3) Open the **bolt**.

4) Examine the **bore** and **receiver** and make sure the rifle is unloaded.

5) Once you are certain the weapon is safe, close the **bolt** as shown in **figure 5**.

**Note:** Make sure weapon is cocked and safety lever is turned on before proceeding.

6) Flip the lever on the **bolt rear slide cover**.

7) Place **bolt rear slide cover lever** in position pointing completely to the rear of the receiver.

8) Slowly pull **bolt rear slide cover lever** out to its maximum length as shown in **figure 8**.

9) Remove **bolt rear slide cover** and set it aside.
10) Remove recoil spring and set it aside.

11) Slide bolt carrier to the rear of the receiver.

12) Remove the bolt carrier and set it aside.

13) Remove the bolt and set it aside.

14) Rotate the gas cylinder latch until it points to the 10 o'clock position if looking at right side of rifle, as shown below.

15) Slowly lift out gas cylinder.
16) Remove **gas cylinder** and set aside.

Rotate **gas cylinder latch** as shown below to remove **gas piston extension rod**.

Note: Make sure you hold your hand to prevent **gas extension rod** from flying out of rifle as it is spring loaded.

17) Using a punch, depress button behind **trigger assembly**.

**Note:** As stated in step 6 - the rifle should be cocked and the safety lever turned on before attempting this step.

18) Remove **trigger assembly** and set it aside.

**Note:** Leave trigger assembly cocked and safety lever turned on.

Never turn off safety and pull trigger while disconnected from rifle.

19) Remove **magazine** and set it aside.

20) Pull **receiver** and **barrel** assembly apart from **stock** and set both aside.
Reassembly Instructions

21) Place receiver and barrel assembly back into stock as shown in figures 21.

22) Rest receiver into stock as shown in figure 22.

Insert gas extension rod and spring back into rifle (lever position 2 image shows how rod and spring should be reinserted).

Rotate the gas cylinder latch to 10 o'clock position to keep extension rod inside.

23) Place piston rod in gas cylinder.

24) Make sure end of piston rod is flush with end of gas cylinder as shown in figure 24.

25) Insert front of gas cylinder back into gas port on barrel as shown in figure 25.
Collecting and Shooting the SKS Rifle

Make sure gas cylinder latch is in 10 o'clock position as shown in lever position 1.

26) Slide gas cylinder back into place.

27) Carefully snap down gas cylinder as shown in figure 27.

28) Rotate gas cylinder retainer lever back into "locked" position as shown in figure 28.

29) Turn rifle over and prepare to insert magazine back into rifle. As show in figure 29 by two arrows, the magazine needs to be placed under the magazine catch located in receiver.

30) Snap magazine into place.

31) Take trigger assembly and line up with slotted guides inside receiver.
32) Pivot **trigger assembly** back once engaged in guides inside **receiver**.

33) Snap down **trigger assembly** firmly with hand.

34) **Figure 34** shows the **trigger assembly** locked into place.

35) **Figure 35** shows how the **bolt carrier** mates with the **bolt**. This will help you install the **bolt** correctly into the **receiver**.

36) Install **bolt**, but keep it to rear of **receiver**.

37) Install **bolt carrier** on top of **bolt** and slide forward in **receiver**.

38) Reinstall **bolt recoil spring** as shown in **figure 38**.

**Note:** Make sure **spiraled** or **coiled** part of spring assembly goes into bolt carrier first, leaving **straight** part of spring exposed as shown in **figure 38**.
39) Reinstall **bolt rear slide cover** as shown in **figure 39**.

40) Lock **bolt slide cover latch** in place.

41) You have completed a disassembly and reassembly of a SKS Rifle!