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**VERY IMPORTANT: DO NOT LOSE THIS BOOK.
READ THE WHOLE MANUAL CAREFULLY BEFORE USING YOUR NEW B725
SHOTGUN.**

ELEMENTARY SAFETY RULES

1. Before handling, always check that your gun is unloaded.
2. Always point the muzzle of your B725 shotgun in a safe direction, even if you are sure it is empty.
3. Never point your gun at anybody, even if you are certain that it is unloaded.
4. Every time you handle a firearm or you hand it over to someone else, always open the mechanism and check the chamber and the magazine to be sure that it is fully unloaded.
5. Keep your fingers away from the trigger when loading and until firing is imminent.
6. Never fire without knowing exactly where the point of impact is located.

Only shoot downwards towards solid targets

WATCH OUT FOR RICOCHETS: NEVER SHOOT AT WATER OR ROCKS.

BE ESPECIALLY CAREFUL WHEN SHOOTING ON HARD OR FROZEN GROUND.

7. Always wear eye and ear protection when you are shooting.
8. Only use ammunition of the calibre marked on the right-hand side of your pistol/shotgun barrel not only for safety reasons, but also for good ballistic performance.
9. In your own interests, as well as those of your firearm, never let any foreign body get into the barrel.
Earth, snow, etc can create dangerous overpressures.
10. Make sure your gun is unloaded before cleaning it.
11. Unload your gun when you are not using it and during transport even if it is in a gun sheath, a transport case or a holster.

12. Always use a gun lock when you store your gun away.

ALL BROWNING GUNS SOLD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD ARE SYSTEMATICALLY DELIVERED WITH A GUN LOCK.

13. Always store your arm away unloaded.
14. Store your arm and ammunition separately and well out of reach of any children.
15. Safety also involves using the best possible conditions for storing guns at home:

Consider using a BROWNING safe.

Under no circumstances change, or have changed, the trigger, the safety system or any other element that is part of your arm's firing mechanism.

Failure to respect the present warning may lead to injury or death for you or for third parties.

WARNING

ALWAYS KEEP THE MANUAL SAFETY SWITCH IN THE "ON OR S" POSITION.

ALWAYS KEEP THE MUZZLE POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION.

FAILURE TO RESPECT THESE WARNINGS MAY LEAD TO SERIOUS INJURY OR EVEN DEATH.

We would like to thank you for buying a Browning B725 shotgun, one of the finest shotguns available today.

The origins of the Browning B725 go back to the most famous O/U shotgun ever developed, the legendary B25 by John M. Browning. Designed along the same lines as the legendary successful B25, it includes various technical innovations whilst retaining the major design aspects which make it the most effective O/U shotgun on the market.

To validate your gun's guarantee, please register its serial number on our website, www.browning.eu in the "Guarantee" section.

DESCRIPTION AND OPERATION

The Browning B725 is an over and under shotgun. It has a selective single trigger which allows you to choose the upper or lower barrel for your first shot. It also has a mechanical firing system and this is operated by a part called a disconnecter, which systematically enables you to fire your second cartridge. Indeed even if you have only a single cartridge loaded or if you have a faulty cartridge, you will still be able to fire this.

RECOMMENDATIONS BEFORE USING THE GUN FOR THE FIRST TIME

During our manufacturing process, all the metal parts of the arm were covered with an anti-corrosion product.

Before using your B725, remove the anti-corrosion product from inside the barrel, the action frame and the exterior surfaces of the barrel and the firearm.

Light firearm oil is ideal for removing the product and for lubricating your shotgun for the first time.

Clean the barrel with a cleaning rod and a piece of flannel as explained in the «Servicing and Cleaning» paragraph.

If your B725 shotgun is to be stored away before use, leave the anti-corrosion product in place on the gun and keep it in its original packaging.

If necessary, wipe off any excess oil from all other parts of the firearm with a soft cloth.

SERIAL NUMBER

The serial number of your firearm is engraved on the back of the action frame, with the number being found under the top lever.

AMMUNITION

The calibre and length of the chamber are shown on the right side of the upper barrel. Never use cartridges which do not match, or exceed the calibre and chamber length stated. Please always refer to the markings on the cartridge and the ammunition packaging to avoid mistakes.

CAUTION!

IT IS NOT THE CARTRIDGE LENGTH (UNFIRED), BUT THE LENGTH OF THE CASE USED WHICH MUST MATCH THE CHAMBER LENGTH.

Only use reliable commercially available cartridges corresponding to your gun's exact calibre.

We have designed and manufactured your shotgun with all the safety coefficients required. However Browning will not accept liability for any damage resulting from the use of cartridges that cause excessive pressure or that have dimensions that do not comply with CIP or SAAMI regulations.

Browning recommends the use of Winchester cartridges.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

SAFETY / SELECTOR

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The B725 shotgun has a safety catch on the back of the action frame.

When you put the gun in the "safety" position, the 2 barrels are simultaneously put into the "safety" position.

The shotgun is put into the "safety" position when you pull the selector back with your thumb, at which point an "S" appears on the action frame tang (fig.3).

The shotgun is put into the "non safety" position when you push the selector forwards, and the letter "S" disappears (fig 4).

Your gun is ready to fire.

SELECTOR:

The safety catch also enables you to select and fire the upper or lower barrel first.

This choice is only possible if the safety catch is in the "on" position, therefore back.

Positioning the selector to the left shows the letter "O" for "Over", where the upper barrel will be selected for the first shot, if the catch is pushed forward into the "non safety" position (Fig 5).

Positioning the selector to the right shows the letter "U" for "Under", where the lower barrel will be selected for the first shot, if the catch is pushed forward into the "non safety" position (Fig 6).

Always keep the gun in the safety position until you fire.

ASSEMBLY

WARNING

BEFORE ASSEMBLING YOUR SHOTGUN, ENSURE THE CHAMBERS OF THE BARREL ARE EMPTY.

ALWAYS KEEP THE MANUAL "SAFETY" CATCH IN THE "ON" POSITION.

ALWAYS KEEP THE MUZZLE POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION.

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1. Remove the fore-end of the barrels by raising the fore-end lock and simultaneously separating the fore-end (fig.7).
2. Having removed the anti-corrosion product from the exterior surfaces of the gun, apply one or two drops of oil on the front and side surfaces of the hinge lugs (A), the side surfaces of the large lugs (B & C) and onto the fore-end (D&E) (fig.8).
Excess oil would not only be useless but also harmful.
3. To position the barrels in the action frame, with your right hand take the stock by the handle and fix it under your right arm. With your right thumb, push the top lever by pushing it fully to the right.
Grip the barrels in your left hand and fit the hinge lugs of the barrel (A) into the action frame pin (B) (fig.9).
4. Holding the hinge against its pin to maintain the alignment of the action frame and barrels, swivel

the barrels to close the gun (fig.10) and release the top lever.

- Place the back of the fore-end iron against the action frame (fig.11) and swivel the fore-end towards the barrels until they are locked into position (fig.12).

CAUTION!

DURING ASSEMBLY, HANDLE THE SHOTGUN GENTLY WITHOUT FORCING AT ANY TIME. IF THE BARREL IS NOT PROPERLY ENGAGED INTO THE ACTION FRAME OR IF ALIGNMENT IS INCORRECT, FORCING WILL ONLY DAMAGE THE BEARING SURFACES AND UPSET THE ALIGNMENT AND COULD SHORTEN THE FIREARM'S LONGEVITY.

LOADING

WARNING

WHEN LOADING YOUR B725, ALWAYS KEEP THE MUZZLE AIMED IN A SAFE DIRECTION; ALWAYS PUT THE SAFETY CATCH «ON» AND KEEP YOUR FINGERS AWAY FROM THE TRIGGER.

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- To load your shotgun, push the top lever to the right and tip the barrels downwards.
- Make sure the chambers and barrels are completely clear and that there are no objects or foreign bodies found inside.
- Place a cartridge into each chamber and close the gun.

WARNING

THE SHOTGUN IS NOW READY TO FIRE. UNLESS SHOOTING IS IMMINENT, PUT THE SAFETY CATCH INTO THE "ON" POSITION.

FAILURE TO RESPECT THESE WARNINGS MAY RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY OR EVEN DEATH.

FIRING

- Check the position of the selector, which needs to indicate the letter of the barrel you want to fire first (U: lower barrel; O: upper barrel).
- When you are ready to fire, push the safety catch forward to the "off" position.
- Take aim then pull the trigger.

Selecting the first barrel can only be done if the safety catch is in the "on" position.

A second shot is automatically available when the first shot has been fired: it is therefore unnecessary to move the selector after the shot from the first barrel.

Release the trigger fully after the first shot. If the trigger does not return to its original position, the mechanism will not re-engage for the second shot, and applying any more pressure to the trigger will have no effect.

Incomplete release of the trigger occurs usually when there is an excited movement or when the firing rate is too fast.

If the first shot fails to fire due to a defective cartridge, it is not necessary to select the other barrel to fire the second shot. In this event all you have to do is press the trigger again, which demonstrates the advantage of mechanical trigger.

Once the shot has been fired, put the safety catch back to the "on" position.

UNLOADING

WARNING

WHEN UNLOADING YOUR SHOTGUN, ALWAYS KEEP THE MUZZLE AIMED IN A SAFE DIRECTION AND KEEP YOUR FINGERS AWAY FROM THE TRIGGER.

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Make sure the safety catch is in the “on” position.

1. Push the top lever fully to the right.
2. With the lever open, lower the barrels downwards to open your shotgun.
3. When the barrels are fully opened, the spent cartridges are automatically ejected. Cartridges that have not been fired can be extracted manually.
4. When opening the gun after firing, make sure the chambers are pointed away from the body to ensure that the empty cartridges are not ejected towards your face.
5. Make sure the chambers and barrels are fully empty and that there are no objects or foreign bodies inside.

DISMANTLING

WARNING

WHEN YOU DISMANTLE YOUR SHOTGUN, ALWAYS KEEP THE MUZZLE AIMED IN A SAFE DIRECTION AND KEEP YOUR FINGERS AWAY FROM THE TRIGGER.

MAKE SURE THE SAFETY CATCH IS IN THE “ON” POSITION AND THAT THERE ARE NO CARTRIDGES IN THE CHAMBERS OF THE GUN.

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1. Remove the fore-end by lifting the fore-end lock lever with your finger (fig.7). Then simultaneously separate the fore-end from the barrels.
2. Push the top lever fully to the right, and lower the barrels downwards.
3. Remove the barrels from the action frame carefully.
4. Always replace the fore-end onto the barrels to avoid damaging them after dismantling.
5. The top lever may be released if necessary by lowering the armament lever located in the hollow of the action frame.

Do not dismantle your shotgun any further!

For normal gun maintenance, only the barrels and the fore-end need be dismantled.

Any further dismantling must be done by a qualified gunsmith.

SPECIFICATIONS AND SPECIAL FEATURES

TOP LEVER

The top lever acts on the bolt, which is adjusted very precisely to the barrel lugs.

There is a locking reserve built in to the bolt which ensures that the barrels can be fully locked for several years. Because of this, it can damage the bearing surfaces of the lock and the lugs to use your thumb to help return the lever when closing the gun, so let it return to its position by itself and do not try to push it further forward.

Non-centring of the top lever with the action frame tang is normal and shows that there is locking reserve available.

Accumulated debris, sand etc. on the fore-end or in the barrel lugs damages the durability of the bearing surfaces and may compromise the full locking of the gun.

For this reason, the action frame and barrels must be thoroughly cleaned after each outing, without forgetting to apply a little oil to the bearing surfaces.

AUTOMATIC EJECTORS

The ejectors of your shotgun are fully automatic: spent cartridges will be ejected from your shotgun when it is opened, while full, unfired cartridges will only be extracted slightly for ease of manual removal.

ADJUSTING THE TRIGGER

WARNING

BEFORE ADJUSTING THE TRIGGER, ALWAYS MAKE SURE THE MUZZLE OF THE BARREL IS POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION AND KEEP YOUR FINGERS AWAY FROM THE TRIGGER.

MAKE SURE THE SAFETY CATCH IS IN THE "ON" POSITION AND THAT THERE ARE NO CARTRIDGES IN THE BARREL CHAMBERS.

FAILURE TO RESPECT THESE WARNINGS MAY CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY OR EVEN DEATH.

On some models, a special device allows you to adjust the position of the trigger shoe.

To do this, using the hex head key, undo the screw on the front of the trigger (fig.14), then move the trigger lengthways to one of three positions (fig.15) then do up the screw again.

Changing the trigger can also be done when the trigger has been unscrewed, by sliding the trigger forwards to remove it.

Take the trigger required and insert the back part of the trigger by the front of the trigger holder, move the trigger to one of 3 possible positions, then always finish by tightening the locking screw.

"INVECTOR DS" INTERCHANGEABLE CHOKE SYSTEM

Your B725 shotgun has Invector DS chokes fitted, that provides performance unrivalled on the market due to its optimal length of 80mm, an exclusive internal shape and a patented airtight segment.

The optimal 80mm length allows an exclusive internal shape which optimises performance at all shooting distances and ensures a more uniform concentration of shot pattern whether you are using lead or steel shot.



The new patented Invector DS chokes provide twice the protection of previous designs, by restricting penetration of combustion gases and avoids clogging of the choke and its screw pitch. Air tightness is provided by an exclusive patented segment which ensures the choke is clean and easy to dismantle in all conditions.

Depending on your model of B725, your shotgun may have Invector DS or Invector DS Extended chokes.

This is shown on the right side of the barrel.

The chokes are identified in two places on each tube in the form of a mark on the body of the choke, as well as in the form of successive notches at the mouth of the choke, or letters on the outside ring for Invector DS Extended (fig.13).

INVECTOR DS CALIBRE 12 RANGE

Notches	Lead Shot	Steel Shot
I - I	X-FULL	
I	FULL	
II - II	LIGHT FULL	X-FULL
II	3/4 - IMP MOD	FULL
III	1/2 - MOD	3/4 - IMP MOD
IIII	1/4 - IMP CYL	1/2 - MOD
IIIII	SKEET	1/4 - IMP CYL
No	CYL	CYL

 = Do not use steel shot cartridges.

CAUTION: FOR "HIGH PERFORMANCE" STEEL SHOT CARTRIDGES, YOU MUST USE A SHOTGUN WHICH HAS UNDERGONE THE SPECIFIC "STEEL SHOT" PROOF TEST.

YOU MUST ALSO MAKE SURE YOU FOLLOW THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CIP FOR USING STEEL SHOT.

PRECAUTIONS

Before handling your gun, make sure it is fully unloaded.






- Never fire it without having fitted your gun with its DS Invector.
- Only use the key supplied.
- Make sure the tube is screwed right down.
- Periodically check that the tubes on the barrel are properly screwed down.

SYSTEM OF FIXED CHOKES

Some models of B725 shotguns have fixed chokes.

The choke combination of your shotgun is shown in the form of a mark on the left side of the monobloc.

Fixed choke conversion table

Punch	Lead Shot	Steel Shot
*	FULL	
*_	3/4 - IMP MOD	
**	1/2 - MOD	
**_	1/4 - IMP CYL	
**S	SKEET	
***	CYL	

 = Do not use steel shot cartridges.

SERVICING AND CLEANING

WARNING

BEFORE CARRYING OUT DISMANTLING OPERATIONS FOR CLEANING PURPOSES, MAKE SURE YOUR SHOTGUN IS FULLY UNLOADED. ALWAYS KEEP THE MUZZLE POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION. FAILURE TO RESPECT THESE WARNINGS MAY CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY OR EVEN DEATH.

KEEP ALL AMMUNITION AWAY FROM THE CLEANING AREA. NEVER CHECK THE MECHANICAL OPERATION OF YOUR SHOTGUN WITH LIVE AMMUNITION. FAILURE TO RESPECT THESE WARNINGS MAY CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY OR EVEN DEATH.

Your Browning B725 will provide optimum performance and reliability if it is maintained and stored correctly.

Clean your Browning B725 after each time you use it. Minimum cleaning involves cleaning the barrel, the action frame, the interchangeable chokes, the wooden parts and oiling the main parts. If you encounter an operating problem, as a matter of course clean it fully to see whether this resolves the problem before requesting the services of your professional gunsmith.

1. Dismantle your shotgun as described in the dismantling chapter.
2. Spray Légia Spray inside the barrel and let it take effect for a few minutes.
3. Put a rod with a brush inside via the chambers, then a piece of flannel.
If necessary pay particular attention to the linkage of the chamber and barrel. When the gun is fully clean, run a flannel with a small amount of oil on it (Légia Spray type), to protect the inside of the barrel until it is next used.
4. Remove the 2 chokes with the key supplied and clean the exterior and interior sides. Spray a little oil on the chokes and especially on the thread, then put them back on, screwing them down tightly.
5. Check the barrels and chambers to be certain that no flannel has been inadvertently left inside.
6. Use a small brush or cloth to remove debris, dirt or other foreign bodies inside the action frame or on other parts of the mechanism.
7. Wipe all accessible metal parts with a cloth with a small amount of oil on it, making sure you remove all finger prints. Lightly oil the various parts, then remove any excess with a clean cloth.

EXTERNAL SURFACES

Spray the product on all external parts of the firearm and wipe off any excess with a soft, dry and non-fluffy cloth.

FRICTION SURFACES

These must always be completely clean and covered with a film of oil.

From time to time you need to put a drop of oil on each side of the breech faces of the barrels and on the hinge pin of the action frame. Do not apply too much oil to the action frame so as to avoid the wooden parts absorbing the oil (fig.8).

WOOD

Wooden parts tend to absorb atmospheric dampness, especially when it rains.

To avoid harmful distortions, the shotgun should be put in a dry and well-ventilated place, away from sources of strong heat.

This will allow wooden parts to gradually lose absorbed moisture, without distorting or cracking.

For wood with an "oil-rubbed" finish, apply oil at regular intervals using Légia Spray Spécial Bois, or, failing this, a little linseed oil.

IMPORTANT: light oils can evaporate. If your Browning B725 has been stored for a long time, oil it completely before use.

CAUTION! DO NOT USE EXCESSIVE OILING.

USING AN EXCESSIVE AMOUNT OF OIL MAY INTERFERE WITH YOUR SHOTGUN'S OPERATION.

SERVICING AND REPAIR

If your firearm requires maintenance or repair work, we recommend you visit your local Browning Dealer or qualified gunsmith. You can find Browning Dealer Partners on our website:

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FIGURE 3

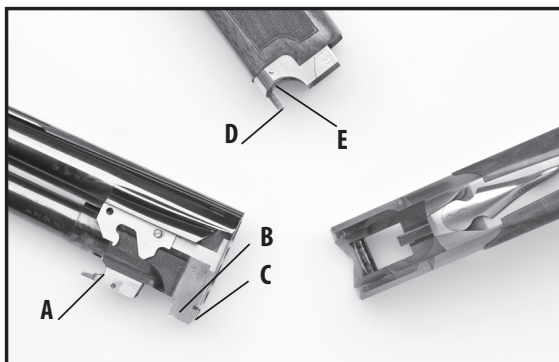
The thumb «safety» shown in the reaward «on safe» position.

FIGURE 4

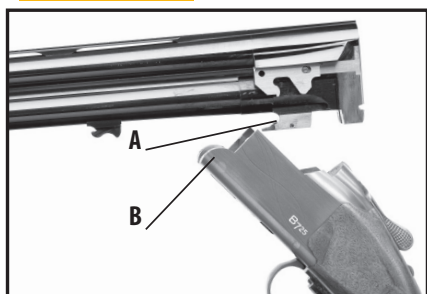
The thumb «safety» shown in the forward «off safe» position.

FIGURE 5**FIGURE 6****FIGURE 7**

Pull outward on the forearm latch, then pivot the front of the forearm down and away from the barrels.

FIGURE 8

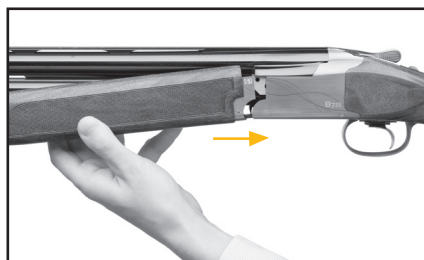
Place one or two drops of gun oil at hinge pin recess, locking lug, and forearm bracket.

FIGURE 9

Engage the barrel lug's circular hinge pin recess with the action's hinge pin.

FIGURE 10

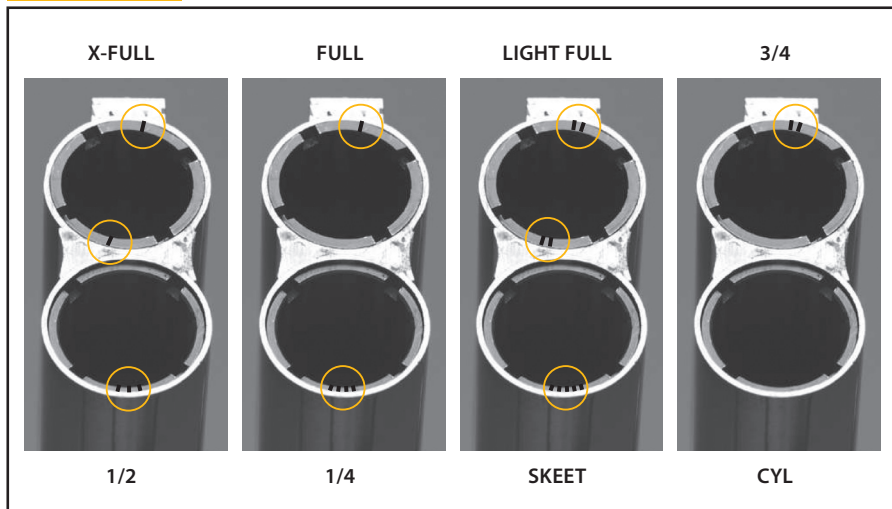
Rotate the barrels completely upward, closing the action.

FIGURE 11

Slide the projecting steel tab on the rear of the forearm bracket into the opposing recess on the receiver bottom. The forearm engages on the barrel. You should hear an audible «click».

FIGURE 12

Pivot the forearm up to the barrel until the forearm engages tightly on the barrel. You should hear an audible «click».

FIGURE 13**FIGURE 14**

Loosen the center screw on the trigger shoe with the Allen wrench.

FIGURE 15

Align the notch on the right side of the trigger shoe with one of the three notches on the right side of the trigger plate.



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