

TYPES OF TOP LEVER LOCKING MECHANISMS

Perazzi has over the years transitioned into different Top Lever Locking mechanism designs. I will attempt to help you decipher which type you have so that you can be more competent in deciding which parts to order, should you have the need to do so.

The Comp 1, Mirage, and TM guns normally use all the same internal parts. There are some slight differences in this early design and I will try to describe them.

The initial determining factor is the Top Lever Release button's location on the face of the receiver. Nearly all of these guns have a button located at 12 o'clock as you face the receiver's face.

<u>TYPE I & II</u>



Perazzi's nomenclature changed from the early years deisgn and that is why the part numbers 117 and 134 appear to differ.

two different diameters.

Both have a release pin located at 12 o'clock in the receivers face. There are two distinct versions of this design:

TYPE A: Uses a coil spring and a small pin. This design uses a long, skinny coil spring P/N 134 and a "Top Lever Lock Trip" pin P/N 133 in the shape of a equally small short shaft.

TYPE B: Uses also a coil spring and small pin. However, this second type uses a very small, hourglass shaped coil spring and a release pin that has

Both designs use the same lock trip located in the receiver P/N 132 (not pictured). It looks like the head of a finish nail, very short. It is similar to the 133 above, but IS NOT THE SAME EXACT SHAPE!

If you ever need to replace a top lever with a new Perazzi Top Lever, the above first described parts are used. All new top levers are pre-drilled for these items, regardless if you have the above described mechanisms, or the others I am about to describe.

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<u>TYPE III</u>

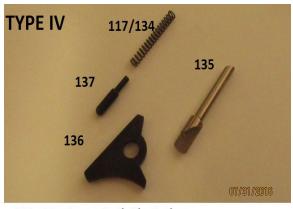


This design, as does Type IV, has the release button located at 3 o'clock on the receiver's face. Very few guns used this design. The parts consist of a semi-triangular Top Lever Stop Plate, P/N 136u. The "u" is important because it distinguished a TYPE III design from a TYPE IV design. BOTH use a semi-triangular plate, but are very different. In fact, this 136u is not longer

made. Should you need one, it would have to be fabricate from the standard 136 current TYPE IV design.

This entire Type III mechanism, as does the TYPE IV, operates around the firing pin retaining pin. The parts consist of a 134u, 135u, 136u, and a 137u. Again, the "u" is very important as you read on.

TYPE IV



134 - Top Lever Lock Pin Spring 135 - Top Lever Stop Plate Release Pin

136 - Top Lever Stop Plate

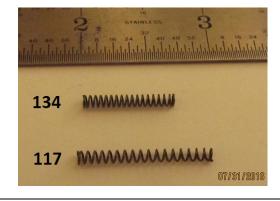
137 - Top Lever Stop Plate Release Spring Plunger

This is the current design in most all Perazzi's following the Mirage, with the exception of "some" DB81 guns.

This design is distinguished by the presence of the Top Lever Stop Plate Release Pin" P/N 135. It is located at 9 o'clock in the face of the receiver. This mechanism is shown on my downloadable MX8 removable trigger schematic on my website.

This design is the mirror image of the TYPE III, with a slight variation in the triangular stop plate P/N 136.

Note of Confusion: Perazzi lists TWO coils springs with the part number 117. One IS the top lever pin coil spring part number 117 for older guns, but is now referred to as 134. The present day 117 part number refers to the Cocking Rod Spring. BE AWARE OF THIS. THESE ARE NOT THE SAME SPRINGS. I have a photo below showing this.



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