

Dispersal rifles dated 1940 to 1944 are also available. Dispersal rifles were assembled during WW2 to face the urgent demand of weapons using any available part such as spare parts or disassembled weapons. On the right side of the butt socket they do not have the manufacturer name but only a B.

The last two digits of the year are not aligned with the 19 and often marked in a stronger way. Also for the dispersal rifles the manufacturer if present is marked on the rear left part of the receiver behind the safety catch. *More information about Dispersal Rifles can be found on Skennerton THE LEE ENFIELD STORY – 1993, page 176-177.*



Unfortunately very very few pieces with volley sight.



Enfield Nr. 4 MK I*



Available are mostly Long Branch MkI* in excellent condition dated approximately 1942-1949. We have also a few LONG BRANCH CN4MkI* dated 1950-1955 No Savage, very few ROF FAZAKERLEY or ROF MALTBY Very, very few pieces MkI.



Bayonets 1907 for Nr. 1 and Spike for Nr. 4

Also available are the 1907 blade bayonets for the N°1 and the spike version for the N°4



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We are really proud to inform all the Enfield enthusiast and the collectors that are available the Enfield N°1 and N°4 issued to the Italian Navy after WW2.

This is a really unique opportunity, incomparable with any other all over the world because of the quality level, the wide variety and the quantity available.

The rifles have been exposed for the first time at the EXA 2006 Show (the most important gun show in Italy) on April 9th 2006 with an enthusiastic result from all the visitors.



Many N°4 Long Branch have been stored in the original wood boxes used to deliver them to the Italian Government from the Canadian Arsenals.



These Long Branch still have the original grease which covers both the stock and the metal parts; all of them bear a red tag on the rear sling swivel, with the date and the serial number pencil handwritten and signed by the inspector.

Some N°4 bear also a green tag on the middle sling swivel, with the words "Tested on Range", the serial number and the signature of the tester.



The weapons were supplied to the Italian Government after WW2. The Government first issued them to the Army which, after some years gave them to the Navy. The rifles were distributed through the various Italian Navy Arsenals. Some remained in storage and some were issued to all the ships.

Some of the weapons were used for training purposes and some for parades, but most of them remained stored in the arsenals for the reserve.

After some years (probably during the 90s) the Enfields were dismissed from the official service and were collected in the main arsenals: as had already happened for hundred of thousands of Carcanos the end of the rifles was destruction. We know for sure that many of them were melted and the stock burned, but we are unable to determine the quantity, even an approximate number.

Luckily a high Navy official, shooter and collector of surplus weapons realized that the destruction was not the right end. Although it was not his duty, he took the initiative and in 2001 begun a hard mission trying to organize a tender to sell them.

It seems a quite easy thing but he only knows the difficulties and the obstacles (both political and burocratic) he had to face and solve because nothing like that was done before. At the end he succeeded and in July 2005 the tender was finally held.

For safety reasons the Enfields were kept separate from their bolts, and even worse, the bolts were stored in metal boxes all mixed up without any relation or reference to the rifles.

When we received the lot we had to read the serial number of the bolts, put them in numbered cells, and save the information (serial number-cell) in the computer.

The effort was worth it because we could match about 50% of the rifles with the appropriate bolt.



Enfield SMLE Nr. 1 MK III



We have available both MkIII, MkIII* and MkIII* (with deleted star) manufactured mainly by Enfield, BSA, LSA. We have a few NRF, Lithgow and Ishapore. Years of manufacturing approximately from 1911 to 1943.



Many rifles Mk III and MkIII* still with the original cut off.



Most have original barrel and stock.

Some rifles bear the N (Navy) marking on the left side of the butt socket. Few rifles have been rebarreled in the Italian arsenal of TERNI: the barrel bears a 5 pointed star, the letters FAT and 2 digit year (FAT = Fabbrica Armi Terni = Terni Guns Factory).

Few stocks also have been replaced with Italian ones. The new stocks bear the cartouche FAT and the year of replacement on the butt (usually the 70s). Also are available Peddled Scheme variant. Peddled Scheme rifles have the action manufactured by subcontractors (BSA, SSA, NRF). No manufacturing markings appear on the right side of the butt socket. The markings are typical, bigger than the standard ones and without manufacturer's name. The manufacturer (when present) is usually found on the rear left part of the receiver behind the safety catch. The rifles were assembled at Enfield. *More information about Peddled Scheme can be found on Skennerton THE LEE ENFIELD STORY - 1993, page 153-156.*

