

IMR TRAIL BOSS® REDUCED LOADS FOR RIFLE AND PISTOL

As noted in the powder description section, Trail Boss was designed primarily for reduced loads using lead bullets in pistol cartridges. However, Trail Boss offers superb versatility in rifle cartridges producing reduced loads using lead *or* jacketed bullets. These reduced loads make firing such cartridges as the 300 Winchester Magnum or even the 458 Winchester Magnum pure fun!

Listed below we show a few examples of such loads throughout the Reloading Data Center, but the fun doesn't stop there. If you don't see Trail Boss data for your favorite cartridge we have a formula for developing loads for all cartridges and it's simple to follow. This formula may be used in both rifle and pistol applications:

- 1) Find where the base of the bullet to be loaded is located in the case and make a mark on the outside of the case at this location. Then fill the case to that mark with Trail Boss, pour into the scale pan and weigh. This is your maximum load. Pressures will be below the maximum allowed for this cartridge and perfectly safe to use!
- 2) Take 70% of this powder charge weight (multiply the maximum load from step 1 by .7), and that is your starting load.
- 3) Start with this beginning load and work up to your maximum charge, all the while searching for the most accurate reduced load. Once found, the fun begins!

22-250 Remington Cartridge Load Data				Starting Loads			Maximum Loads		
Bullet Weight (Gr.)	Powder	Bullet Diam.	C.O.L.	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure
55 GR. SPR SP	Trail Boss	.224"	2.350"	9.1	1664	17,200 PSI	13.0	1984	26,600 PSI

243 Winchester Cartridge Load Data				Starting Loads			Maximum Loads		
Bullet Weight (Gr.)	Powder	Bullet Diam.	C.O.L.	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure
100 GR. SPR BTSP	Trail Boss	.224"	2.650"	8.0	1045	27,300 CUP	15.3	1603	39,100 CUP

25-06 Remington Cartridge Load Data				Starting Loads			Maximum Loads		
Bullet Weight (Gr.)	Powder	Bullet Diam.	C.O.L.	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure
100 GR. NOS PART	Trail Boss	.257"	3.200"	13.4	1454	25,500 PSI	19.2	1712	30,600 PSI

270 Winchester Cartridge Load Data				Starting Loads			Maximum Loads		
Bullet Weight (Gr.)	Powder	Bullet Diam.	C.O.L.	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure
130 GR. HDY SP	Trail Boss	.277"	3.180"	14.0	1318	22,800 PSI	19.7	1537	27,100 PSI

7mm-08 Remington Cartridge Load Data				Starting Loads			Maximum Loads		
Bullet Weight (Gr.)	Powder	Bullet Diam.	C.O.L.	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure
140 GR. SFT SP	Trail Boss	.284"	2.750"	11.0	1211	36,200 CUP	16.0	1472	43,300 CUP

7mm Remington Magnum Cartridge Load Data				Starting Loads			Maximum Loads		
Bullet Weight (Gr.)	Powder	Bullet Diam.	C.O.L.	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure
140 GR. NOS PART	Trail Boss	.284"	3.250"	17.2	1405	21,400 PSI	24.5	1724	31,000 PSI

308 Winchester Cartridge Load Data				Starting Loads			Maximum Loads		
Bullet Weight (Gr.)	Powder	Bullet Diam.	C.O.L.	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure
150 GR. NOS BT	Trail Boss	.308"	2.800"	10.0	1176	25,800 PSI	14.0	1417	27,100 PSI

30-06 Cartridge Load Data				Starting Loads			Maximum Loads		
Bullet Weight (Gr.)	Powder	Bullet Diam.	C.O.L.	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure
150 GR. NOS BT	Trail Boss	.308"	3.250"	13.3	1061	14,700 PSI	19.0	1477	26,400 PSI

300 Winchester Short Magnum Cartridge Load Data				Starting Loads			Maximum Loads		
Bullet Weight (Gr.)	Powder	Bullet Diam.	C.O.L.	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure
150 GR. SPR GSSP	Trail Boss	.308"	2.780"	16.3	1473	26,400 PSI	23.3	1758	31,600 PSI

300 Winchester Magnum Cartridge Load Data				Starting Loads			Maximum Loads		
Bullet Weight (Gr.)	Powder	Bullet Diam.	C.O.L.	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure
150 GR. SIE SP	Trail Boss	.308"	3.340"	18.0	1302	18,400 PSI	25.5	1687	28,600 PSI

375 H & H Magnum Cartridge Load Data				Starting Loads			Maximum Loads		
Bullet Weight (Gr.)	Powder	Bullet Diam.	C.O.L.	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure
235 GR. SPR SP	Trail Boss	.375"	3.600"	19.0	1091		26.3	1144	

416 Remington Magnum Cartridge Load Data				Starting Loads			Maximum Loads		
Bullet Weight (Gr.)	Powder	Bullet Diam.	C.O.L.	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure	Grs.	Vel. (ft/s)	Pressure
350 GR. SPR SP	Trail Boss	.416"	3.590"	20.0	913	19,700 CUP	29.0	1143	29,900 CUP