Model 66 & 73 Frame Modification





Have you ever had the last round that you just loaded sit crooked in the carrier and refuse to feed because the rim is catching on the frame as the carrier is trying to lift it up? A lot of you have called to ask what you can do to get that first round to feed more smoothly. I've coached so many of you on how to correct this issue that I thought I'd post some pictures of what this modification looks like.

The reason that the cartridge rim catches, is that the upper edge of the hole that it passes through going from the loading gate to the carrier has a bevel that is much too small to allow the smooth feeding of the cartridge as the carrier is trying to lift it. The cure is to create a larger "ramp" as pictured above. This will nudge the cartridge forward as the carrier rises, and not give the cartridge rim anything to catch on. Make sure to polish this ramp smooth.