

WALTHER PPS WAP10001 9MM, \$699

Gun Tests grade: B

If the extra-capacity magazine hadn't been linked to malfunctions, we would grade the PPS higher. We're not sold on the Quick Safe backstraps, either.



- FRONT STRAP HEIGHT..... 1.6 IN./2.2 IN.
- BACK STRAP HEIGHT..... 2.9 IN.
- WEIGHT UNLOADED..... 19.4 OZ.
- CAPACITY..... 6+1/7+1
- MAXIMUM WIDTH 0.9 IN.
- GRIP THICKNESS (MAX) 1.0 IN.
- GRIP CIRCUMFERENCE (MAX)..... 5.3 IN./5.7 IN.
- FRAME BLACK POLYMER
- BARREL STEEL
- SLIDE..... MATTE BLACK STEEL
- GRIP TEXTURED POLYMER
- TRIGGER PULL WEIGHT DOUBLE ACTION..... 9.7 LBS.
- TRIGGER SPAN DOUBLE ACTION..... 2.7 IN.
- WARRANTY 1 YEAR
- TELEPHONE (800) 372-6454
- WEBSITE OR EMAIL..... WWW.WALTHERAMERICA.COM

Federal Personal Defense 9mm
 105-gr. Expanding FMJ PD9CSP2H
 Average Velocity 1175 fps
 Standard Deviation 13 fps
 Muzzle Energy 322 ft.-lbs.
 Smallest Group 1.0 in.
 Largest Group 1.6 in.
 Average Group 1.3 in.

Atlanta Arms and Ammo 9mm
 125-gr. HAP
 Average Velocity 1057 fps
 Standard Deviation 5 fps
 Muzzle Energy 310 ft.-lbs.
 Smallest Group 0.9 in.
 Largest Group 1.5 in.
 Average Group 1.2 in.

Black Hills 9mm
 124-gr. Full Metal Jacket
 Average Velocity 1055 fps
 Standard Deviation 25 fps
 Muzzle Energy 307 ft.-lbs.
 Smallest Group 1.2 in.
 Largest Group 1.7 in.
 Average Group 1.5 in.

To collect accuracy data, we fired five-shot groups from a sandbag rest using open sights. Distance: 12 yards. We recorded velocities using an Oehler 35P chronograph, with the sky screens set 10 feet from the muzzle.



The backstrap was held in place by a leaf spring. Removing the backstrap also disabled the pistol. The release was shielded once the magazine was in place but one clumsy reload and you could end up dumping the backstrap. Also, once removed, this small part would be easy to lose.



The magazine release was integrated with trigger guard. We liked to operate it with the middle finger.



Right: The trigger face included a safety much like the Glock design. Testing the PPS at 12 yards proved that the Walther was accurate and easy to shoot.