

SMITH & WESSON SD40 NO. 220400 40 S&W, \$530

GUN TESTS GRADE: B+

Outstanding looks, handling, and sights, helped this low-cost pistol score higher.



SPECIFICATIONS

OVERALL LENGTH	7.2 IN.
BARREL LENGTH	4.0 IN.
SIGHT RADIUS	6.3 IN.
OVERALL HEIGHT	5.3 IN.
FRONT STRAP HEIGHT	2.2 IN.
BACK STRAP HEIGHT	3.2 IN.
WEIGHT LOADED (14 RDS. 180-GR.)	31.9 OZ.
WEIGHT UNLOADED	20.4 OZ.
CAPACITY	14+1
MAXIMUM WIDTH	1.25 IN.
GRIP THICKNESS (MAX)	1.25 IN.
GRIP CIRCUMFERENCE (MAX)	5.6 IN.
FRAME	BLACK TEXTURED POLYMER
BARREL	STAINLESS STEEL
SLIDE	BLACK MELONITE STAINLESS STEEL
GRIP	BLACK TEXTURED POLYMER
TRIGGER PULL WEIGHT SINGLE ACTION	7.5 LBS.
TRIGGER SPAN SINGLE ACTION	2.6 IN.
WARRANTY	LIFETIME
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Above: Knurled side panels and checkering molded into the front and back straps were tastefully executed. The steep undercut beneath the slide is a trademark feature of this design.



Above: The SD40's trigger required a steady pull rearward but was not tiring to operate. The hinge on the trigger operated the passive safety. We liked the SD40's styling but we think this pistol is due for an upgrade from the sheet metal slide release.



Right: The tritium module front sight was a most welcome upgrade. Many experienced operators prefer singular illumination via the front sight. Tracing a single dot makes pointing less confusing, especially when searching in dim light. Cocking lines front and rear were handsome and effective.