**Empty The Measure** To change powder, close hopper by rotating clockwise. Place a container underneath drop tube, then work the lever a few times to empty the powder below the valve. Now you can pull off the hopper and empty into the original powder can. Don't forget to turn valve on before starting to reload the next time. The powder valve is also positioned to act as a powder baffle to enhance the accuracy of your measure.

#### **Rotor Tension Adjustment**

When the measure leaves the factory the adjusting screw is set so 16 oz. of pressure is required to operate the lever. This setting is optimum for most powders. Extremely fine powders may leak very slightly at this setting. This causes no harm. Should you find it objectionable you may tighten the adjusting screw slightly. The rotor should never be so tight that more than four pounds are required to rotate lever.



#### Calibrate your powder or VMD not listed

To find the VMD of your powder, set your powder measure to 4.0cc. Drop the charge, weigh the charge in grains, and divide 4.0cc by the weight of the dropped charge. Mark this number on the powder container and you'll have it for reference in the future. Average of several samples increases accuracy and confidence.

## 4.0 cc setting Grains weight of sample = VMD

### Grain and cubic centimeters

The grain, as used to measure gunpowder, should not be confused with a granule or kernel of powder.

A grain was so named because it was the weight measure equal to one plump grain of wheat. A grain is a grain is a grain whether using avoirdupois, troy or apothecaries weight. The reloader uses the avoirdupois system where there are 7,000 grains or 16 ounces to one pound. The same system we use daily in the USA to buy and sell gunpowder, steak, potatoes, etc.

Don't confuse grains and grams, a gram equals 15.432 grains.

1.0 cc of water weighs I gram. So if you are ever curious about your case capacity, weigh your empty case in grams, fill the case with water and the difference between full and empty case tells you the useful case capacity in cc's.

grams x 15.432 = grains grains / 15.432 = grams

### Volume Measure Density (VMD) Volume of 1 Grain of Powder

This is a term we use to describe the average volume of one grain of a specific powder when metered by the average reloader.

The chart below is that part of a cubic centimeter that is needed to hold one grain of the powder specified. Cubic centimeter was selected as a standard not only because that is what the powder companies use, but a cubic inch is a comparatively large unit. To obtain the same degree of accuracy, it would be necessary to carry the number out two extra places.

To find the volume needed for any charge, simply multiply the charge in grains by the number behind the powder you are using. It is then easy to set your measure to that number.

ACCURATE	VMD	HODGDON	VMD	HODGDON	VMD	SOUTH AFRICA	VMD
A NITRO100	0.1349	BENCHMARK	0.0715	IMR4166	0.0741	MP200	0.0892
ACC MAG PRO	0.0663	BL-C(2)	0.0645	IMR4198	0.0792	MS200	0.1061
ACCUR #2	0.0838	CFE 223	0.0646	IMR4227	0.0769	VECTAN	VMD
ACCUR #5	0.0623	CFE PISTOL	0.0754	IMR4320	0.0716	VEC AO	0.1196
ACCUR #7	0.0653	CLAYS	0.1462	IMR4350	0.0735	VEC BA10	0.1350
ACCUR #9	0.0657	H 50 BMG	0.0694	IMR4451	0.0713	VEC BA9	0.0919
ACCUR 1680	0.0655	H LIL GUN	0.0678	IMR4831	0.0735	VEC SP10	0.0668
ACCUR 2015	0.0730	H RETUMBO	0.0721	IMR4895	0.0728	VEC SP3	0.0682
ACCUR 2200	0.0694	H TRAP100	0.1171	IMR7828	0.0725	VEC SP7	0.0658
ACCUR 2230	0.0657	H-LVR	0.0653	IMR7977	0.0707	VEC SP8	0.0682
ACCUR 2460	0.0656	H-PYRDX RS	0.0811	SR4756	0.1100	VEC SP9	0.0682
ACCUR 2495	0.0748	H-PYRODX P	0.0823	SR4759	0.0993	VEC TU2000	0.0762
ACCUR 2520	0.0683	H-SUPRFORM	0.0658	SR7625	0.1046	VEC TU5000	0.0720
ACCUR 2700	0.0685	H-VARGET	0.0731	AUTOCOMP	0.0787	VEC TU7000	0.0704
ACCUR 3100	0.0748	H1000	0.0713	SUPRM780	0.0684	VEC TU8000	0.0704
ACCUR 4064	0.0755	H110	0.0656	WIN 231	0.0931	VIHTAVUORI	VMD
ACCUR 4350	0.0740	H322	0.0725	WIN 296	0.0656	v-3N37	0.0913
ACCUR 5744	0.0752	H335	0.0645	WIN 748	0.0655	v-N105	0.0900
ACCUR 8700	0.0688	H380	0.0691	WIN 760	0.0666	v-N110	0.0833
LT-32	0.0771	H414	0.0661	WIN AA LITE	0.1266	v-N120	0.0776
SOLO 1000	0.1331	H4198	0.0750	WIN AA PLUS	0.1296	v-N130	0.0754
ALLIANT	VMD	H4227	0.0769	WIN ACTION PI	0.0810	v-N133	0.0770
ALNT 300 MP	0.0667	H4350	0.0725	WIN MAG RIFLE	0.0718	v-N135	0.0777
ALNT 4000 MR	0.0722	H450	0.0653	WIN SUPER HANDI	0.0859	v-N140	0.0733
ALNT AR-COMP	0.0753	H4831	0.0725	wSUPER-FLD	0.0840	v-N150	0.0746
ALNT VARMINT	0.0651	H4895	0.0728	wSUPER-LIT	0.0847	v-N160	0.0734
RELODER 17	0.0697	H870	0.0686	wSUPER-TAR	0.1205	v-N165	0.0712
ALLIANT STEEL	0.1063	HO US869	0.0651	RAMSHOT	VMD	v-N170	0.0713
ALNT 410	0.0804	HP38	0.0926	R COMPETITION	0.1278	v-N310	0.1214
ALNT E3	0.1489	HS6	0.0712	R ENFORCER	0.0693	v-N320	0.1210
AMER-SELECT	0.1341	HS7	0.0680	R HUNTER	0.0667	v-N330	0.1079
BLUE DOT	0.0865	HYBRID100	0.0726	R SILHOUETTE	0.0796	v-N340	0.1066
BULLSEYE	0.1064	INTERNATIONAL	0.1266	R TRUE BLUE	0.0684	v-N350	0.0977
GREEN DOT	0.1262	LONGSHOT	0.0824	RAM BIG GAME	0.0708	v-N540	0.0701
HERC 2400	0.0742	PYRODEX CTG	0.1015	RAM MAGNUM	0.0661	v-N550	0.0692
HERCO	0.1122	TITEGROUP	0.0848	RAM TAC	0.0671	v-N560	0.0690
POWER PISTOL	0.0889	TITEWAD	0.1300	RAM ZIP	0.0816	Copyright 02-13-201	5
RED DOT	0.1413	UNIVERSAL	0.1099	X-TERMINATOR	0.0681	Lee Precision, Inc.	
RELODER 10	0.0746	IMR 4007 SSC	0.0725			Numbers are approximate.	
RELODER 25	0.0707	IMR 700X	0.1343	NORMA		To find out the exact	
RELODER 7	0.0728	IMR 800X	0.1071	NORMA 200	0.0738	volume of any powder	
RELODER12	0.0691	IMR 8208	0.0710	NORMA 201	0.0728	see CALIBRATING YOUR	
RELODER15	0.0706	IMR PB	0.1205	NORMA 202	0.0747	POWDER on the previous	
RELODER19	0.0706	IMR TRAIL BOSS	0.2172	NORMA 203B	0.0722	page. It is so very easy to	
RELODER22	0.0697	IMR3031	0.0762	NORMA MRP	0.0707	do and saves a great deal	
UNIQUE	0.1092	IMR4064	0.0745	NORMA URP	0.0718	of time when settir	ig your



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# **LEE** GUARANTEE

LEE RELOADING PRODUCTS are guaranteed not to wear out or break from normal use for two full years or they will be repaired or replaced at no charge if returned to the factory. Any Lee product of current manufacture, regardless of age or condition, will be reconditioned to new, including a new guarantee, if returned to the factory with payment equal to half the current retail price. AP1704

# **IMPORTANT! YOU MUST DO THIS BEFORE USE**

If using the measure for the first time, you must process at least one hopper full of powder through the measure to coat the nylon parts with graphite from the powder. This conditioning is important so static electricity will be bled off. Otherwise, you'll find the measure continues to dispense charges progressively heavier. This need only be done once.

The lever should be turned at a uniform, slow to moderate speed to a full stop in both directions. If using a large charge you must pause in both directions to permit the metering tube to fill and empty. You will be able to see the powder move in the hopper while the tube is filling.

The Lee Perfect Powder Measure is built to give you a lifetime of unmatched accuracy. Unlike other powder measures, you can use any type of smokeless powder. Because black powder explodes in bulk, it should not be used in this powder measure. Most powders will be dispensed in such uniform charges that you will think your scale is stuck. Extruded powders, such as most IMR powders, work just fine. They do not meter quite as well, but you can expect charges more uniform than possible with any other measure. This is possible because of the elastomer wiper, which levels the metering chamber without cutting the powder. The charge is more uniform and the measure operates much smoother.

The housing, rotor and adapter are all made from nylon. The metering tube is aluminum. These materials are non-sparking, low friction and lightweight.

## CAUTION

Ammunition reloading can be dangerous if done improperly and should not be attempted by persons not willing and able to read and follow instructions exactly. Children should not be permitted to reload ammunition without strict parental supervision. Always wear safety glasses when reloading and shooting. Ammunition loaded with these tools and data should only be used in modern guns in good condition. We do not accept responsibility for ammunition loaded with these tools or data as we have no control over the manufacture and storage of components or the loading procedure and techniques. Primers and gun powders. like gasoline and matches, can be dangerous if improperly handled or misused.



### 1 Mount Your Powder Measure

For bench mounting, attach the powder measure to the stand with the (2)  $\#10x^{3}4$ " (FA3010) screws supplied. Attach the base to your bench or suitable base for portable use. Use an ample size base. You may also "C" clamp the stand to your bench.



Attach body to stand using 8-32x<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub> pan head Phillips screw (FLI90I)



Insert (2) 8-32 x <sup>1</sup>/2" screws (FT1940) through body and steel stand and tighten with (2) nuts (FE3364)



Insert drop tube into body; screw knurled nut (AP1640) tight to body.

### **③** Setting and Reading the Micrometer

Loosen the thimble so the metering rod can be turned freely to any setting you desire.

The metering rod is calibrated in cubic centimeters; you'll be able to see one through a little over seven and one half. If you have been loading with Lee Dippers you can easily set the powder measure to your favorite load by setting to the dipper number, or reference the volume cc column in "Modern Reloading" or your Lee die set instructions.

#### LEE "MODERN RELOADING"



#### LEE DIE INSTRUCTIONS



Metering rod requires 10 full turns to move one cc., therefore one turn is 1/10 (.1 cc )

The micrometer thimble has 10 graduations. Each is 1/10 of a turn is 1/100 (.01 cc)

A dense powder, such as H4895, one line on thimble will change powder charge a little over 1/10 (.1) grain.

Multiply the charge in grains by the volume of 1 grain (see VMD chart on rear) of the powder you are using.

The answer is in cubic centimeters and this is the setting for your measure.

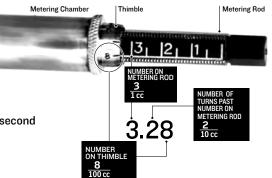
Example: Desired charge is 43 grains of IMR3031. Check the chart to find the volume of 1 grain is .0762.

Then .0762 x 43 grains = 3.28 (rounded off) cubic centimeters.

■ Turn the thimble to the number 3 on the metering rod for the whole number to the left of the decimal point. The #3 indicator line must be visible when the thimble is at zero.

■ Turn 2 extra turns for the first number to the right of the point.

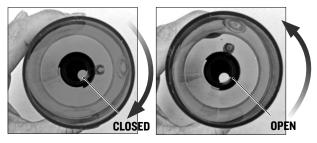
Turn 8 marks on the thimble for the second number to the right of the point.





# 4 Add/Change Powder

Add powder to hopper, be certain of brand and type. Rotate counterclockwise to open valve, rotate clockwise to close valve.



CAUTION USING THE WRONG TYPE OR WRONG AMOUNT OF POWDER CAN CAUSE A SERIOUS OR FATAL INJURY

- 5 Turn on the flow of powder by rotating hopper counterclockwise.
- 6 **Cycle the powder measure lever several times to stabilize the measure.** Catch the powder in a large case or catch container. Run at least a pound of powder through the unit.
- ⑦ Drop a charge and verify. Drop a charge from the measure by gently lifting lever from stop to stop. Please note: forcefully bumping against the stops when dumping and filling the metering chamber can cause inconsistent loads.

Now weigh your charge, and you'll be very close to the correct charge. Chances are that it is not exact because the volume of one grain is not precisely the same for your particular batch of powder as that which we tested. This is because the powder manufacturer can't make every batch of powder exactly the same.



# Lee Safety Powder Scale

#### Magnetically damped and Approach-to-weight

Safety and accuracy are the most important features. Easy to read and set. Calibrated with weights traceable to the UNITED STATES BUREAU OF STANDARDS. Even if you already own a combination bullet and powder scale, you will want a Lee Safety Powder Scale. 90681

# 8 Snug Thimble

Once you've achieved your charge, snug up the thimble after setting and the "o" ring within will hold the setting with no fear of it moving while in use.

