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The BMP-23 from Hydra Weaponry is Now Shipping

A modern evolution of the iconic Bushmaster Arm Pistol is ready for the 21st century.

Hermon, Maine (February 2025) – [Hydra Weaponry](http://www.hydraweaponry.com), Maine’s largest firearms employer, designers, and manufacturers of the truly modular MARCK-15 Hydra® Weapon System, is proud to announce that the [BMP-23 pistol](#), a modernized evolution of the legendary Bushmaster Arm Pistol, is now shipping. Originally designed by firearms innovator Mack Gwinn Jr. in the early 1970s, this revolutionary firearm has been reimagined for today’s shooters with advanced materials and precision CNC manufacturing.



The BMP-23 is a 5.56mm pistol that retains the innovative design elements of its predecessor while incorporating modern enhancements. Featuring an 11.5” chrome-moly barrel and an AK-47-style gas piston operating system, the BMP-23 delivers reliability and performance in a compact, lightweight aluminum and steel construction weighing just 5.2 lbs. Built-in iron sights and a unique 40-degree swivel design allow for seamless right- or left-hand operation.



“The BMP-23 is exactly what my father would have built if he had access to today’s materials and machining capabilities,” said Mack Gwinn III, President of Hydra Weaponry. “We’ve taken his groundbreaking design and brought it into the modern era while staying true to his vision of a compact, powerful, and versatile firearm.”

The original Bushmaster Arm Pistol was developed as a compact survival weapon for aircrews and Special Forces, borrowing key elements from both AR-15 and AK-47 designs. Now, decades later, the BMP-23 honors that legacy while providing modern reliability and ergonomic improvements. MSRP is \$2,350.

Dealers interested in carrying the BMP-23 should contact [Tanner Smart](#) for the Hydra Dealer Program.

For more information on Hydra Weaponry, visit the new website at www.hydraweaponry.com.

About Hydra Weaponry:

Headquartered in Maine, [Hydra Weaponry](#) has 50 years of firearms innovation in its DNA. Starting with the development of the Bushmaster pistol, rifle, and submachine gun, the Gwinn family has set a high standard of designing innovative firearm platforms built around the actual needs of tactical operators, often fighting in extreme conditions and environments. The MARCK-15 Hydra Modular Weapons System is the ultimate modular platform that designer Mack Gwinn, Jr. created to meet the criteria of modularity, durability, consistent performance, accuracy, and affordable. Hydra Weaponry is the future of small arms.