

Tokyo Marui M14 SOCOM

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I will make another attempt to review one of my own weapons in this short entry, please bear with me as this is my second review and I do it in hopes of helping others looking for quality airsoft weapons and that will be following in our paths over the coming year(s).

My current primary weapon and the subject of this review is the Tokyo Marui M14 SOCOM Automatic Electric Rifle.Â This weapon is available, brand new from poweredgeusa.com, for around \$333.00 shipped.Â I purchased mine new from poweredgeusa.com and was not disappointed in the weapon or the service at Power Edge USA.

The TM M14 SOCOM includes a sandstone textured full stock, printed serial numbers on the receiver, mostly metal construction, working bolt action, front and rear sites, integrated sling mounts and an integrated hop up in the magazine well.Â Also included with the gun are a cleaning rod, pipe type BB loader, orange muzzle cap and 70 round metal magazine.Â King Arms M14 Magazines can be modified to work with this weapon as well by filing 1mm off off the BB retaining tab on top the magazine feeding mechanism.

After unwrapping the gun I immediately took it out back, put a clip in it, and took a few shots at my steel target box.Â I was immediately impressed with the quietness of the rifle and smooth feeding action.Â The accuracy was outstanding with the factory tuned iron sites.Â Very little adjusting to the hop up was required and adjusting the hop up was nice, it gives a little click with each increment so fine tuning is a breeze.Â As mentioned above the sound of the gearbox is very quiet and smooth stock and rate of fire was fast at around 800 rounds a minute giver or take and the fps is listed on most sites at around 285 or so.Â Don't let the seemingly low fps deceive you, I have been pelted by this gun at mid range while setup as stock and it stings and with the superb hop up and medium length barrel range and accuracy are not an issue.

This gun is mostly metal with the sand stone textured stock being the exception.Â This gun has a great rigidness to it and the weight is as near real life as I have yet seen.Â I cannot overstate how well made this gun is, I have given it a beating in field tests and it is still sturdy and looks great!

It is my conclusion that this gun is well worth the cost if your looking for a solid brand name platform that will last you through some brutal airsoft.Â It provides an easy to upgrade chassis and Tokyo Marui famed reliability and accuracy in a package that looks and feels great.Â Untill I owned this gun I found the cost of TM guns prohibitive and grossly over inflated, after playing a few games with it and doing some after market upgrades which included bushings, sp120 spring and a G&P aimpoint I fully realize the value of Tokyo Marui and would recommend it to anyone who is serious about airsoft.

For pictures, additional reviews and a retail listing you can find the weapon on poweredgeusa.com listed here:

<http://poweredgeusa.com/product.asp?ID=3784>

Product picture:

http://www.tokyo-marui.co.jp/download/images/061201_m14socom.jpg