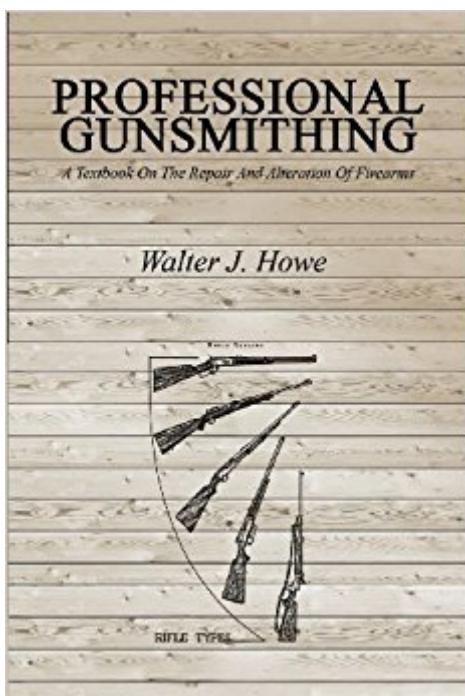


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# Professional Gunsmithing: A Textbook On The Repair And Alteration Of Firearms



## **Synopsis**

Professional Gunsmithing: A Textbook On The Repair And Alteration Of Firearms. With Detailed Notes And Suggestions Relative To The Equipment And Operation Of A Commercial Gunshop. Howe's book is intended as an inspirational source as well as a technical guide to the student who is anxious to study gunsmithing but has been led to believe it is a craft that can only be mastered by old world teaching methods. Howe's work remains a valuable teaching tool to this day. Profusely illustrated with over one hundred drawings and illustrations.

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While this book is obviously around 50 years old (he mentions that "the war" will probably have a negative impact on Germany's gun industry), some information is simply timeless. In these days of CNC and computer-driven milling, this book still contains a wealth of invaluable information.

Sometimes there are issues that you just can't fix with your \$20,000 lathe, and this book can help explain many of them away. This book has already paid for itself 5 times over in my gunsmithing business, as it's helped me resolve several issues that some of the "new age" smiths in town were clueless about. By the time the customers came to me, they thought their gun was trashed... this book helped save their weapons, and made me some cash in the process! I have no issues giving it 5 stars.

First, let me say that, when I ordered this book, I knew it was a copy of the 1946 edition. Please

understand that if you order a copy. I ordered it to preserve my original 1946 first edition. However, the material is still valuable today and should be on the bookshelf of any aspiring gunsmith. The original deserves five stars. My problem is with the BN Publishing edition. Even though they claim a 2013 copyright date, the only new material is the cover artwork. Not only that, the actual original contents are incomplete. BN Publishing has chosen to leave out all the unpaginated (and valuable) figures and illustrations, as well as the last six pages of the index. And in producing the facsimile, while enlarging the page size, they have reduced the text size to 96% of the original. Small, but noticeable. My biggest complaint is the use of GLOSS black ink on bright white paper. It makes the book difficult to read under anything but the best lighting conditions. I would recommend finding a good used copy of the original before buying this edition.

This book is full of useful info even for veteran smiths. It is focused more on operating the business and being a professional in the industry. Not really for the folks that like to tinker on their weapons for fun. I highly recommend you pick up a copy if you do this for a living.

i am a gunsmith and have many excellent firearms text books. Some are better than others, but this one is EXCELLANT.!

Lots of good material without undue details of the obvious. A book that lives up to its title. Good reading.

A very wonderful book, it contains a lot of information on professional gunsmithing. A very good book. Liked it a lot. Thanks

Older version but useful none the less

Since this book was written a good number of changes in gunsmithing technology and techniques have changed. That being said the book is a wealth of good basic knowledge on firearms repair and maintenance as well as proper techniques.

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