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Metal Follower Installation Instructions:

- Check that pistol is unloaded and remove magazine.
- Depress the round “button” on the bottom of the magazine baseplate and slide baseplate towards the front, rounded edge of the magazine to remove it. BE CAREFUL TO HOLD THE SPRING as it can come out with considerable force. Wear safety glasses.
- Remove the magazine baseplate, baseplate retainer, spring and follower.
- Insert the Metal Magazine follower as pictured below:



Magazine Catch Hole

- Insert the magazine spring such that the open end is towards the curved, front of the magazine (just as with the factory follower).
- Carefully re-install the magazine baseplate retainer and baseplate.
- Using a non-marring item, like a sturdy pen or toothbrush handle, press on the follower and make sure it does not

hang up on the magazine catch hole, on the front, curved portion of the follower. If it does, the front edge the goes by the hole can be softened with sandpaper or a fine file. Burrs on the weld at the back of the magazine can also cause rough movement. Smooth any roughness in the magazine as necessary.

- Your magazine is ready to use.

We recommend testing by loading one magazine with a couple of rounds and shooting those rounds several times. If the barrel of the pistol is contacting the front of the follower after firing the last round, a silver colored “ding” will show on the front surface of the follower like the photo below.

This is the same issue that can cause the plastic followers to break. Minor contact, like pictured below, is not a functional problem for the Lakeline followers. Here is a posting on it: <https://lakelinellc.com/kahr-metal-followers-aluminum-and-why-they-show-wear/>



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The .40 caliber pistols seem to be most likely to have more severe contact, particularly if the pistol repeatedly breaks plastic followers. The aluminum followers cannot correct cases of severe interference with the barrel themselves. Kahr does service pistols for breaking of plastic followers. Lastly, the contact cannot be measured on the bench because the flex in the frame during firing is not present.

Here are some reference links on the phenomenon:

- <http://www.kahrtalk.com/showthread.php?21806-rampectomy-done-CM9-barrel>
- <http://www.defensivecarry.com/forum/defensive-carry-guns/182119-kahr-cm9-issue.html>
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No lubrication is necessary on the inside of the magazine, however a dry lubricant can aid function.

Magazine followers for 9mm magazines and .40 magazines are different sizes and are not interchangeable. These followers are designed to fit Kahr factory magazines only and are not compatible with other aftermarket magazines.

Thank you! If you have any questions or problems, the best way to contact us is by email at info@lakelinellc.com