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MKb42(H) / MP43/1 / MP43 / MP44 / StG44 serial number studies

on the internet: http://claus.espeholt.dk/mediarkiv/m44_c.pdf

See explanations below

Type	S/N	Receiver codes	S. mount	Muz. nut	Comple. blued	Remarks
MKb42(W)						
MKb42(W)	67					private collection
MKb42(W)	72					private collection
MKb42(W)	78	bayo-lug				Aberdeen proving gr.
MKb42(W)	84					In Senichs book
MKb42(W)	97					private coll., 2004
MKb42(W)	109					Springfield Arm. mus.
MKb42(W)	116					museum, Moscow
MKb42(W)	120					Finnish museum
MKb42(W)	131					Aberdeen proving gr.
MKb42(H)						
MKb42(H)	005		yes		yes	
MKb42(H)	042					no bayo-lug
MKb42(H)	329			long nut		with bayo-lug
MKb42(H)	1291		yes	yes	yes	with bayo-lug
MKb42(H)	2738	WaAA44	yes	yes	yes	with bayo-lug
MKb42(H)	4095	fxo / cos WaA37	yes	yes	yes	with bayo-lug
MKb42(H)	4919	fxo		yes	yes	with bayo-lug
MKb42(H)	5391					no bayo-lug
MKb42(H)	6072			long nut		with bayo-lug
MKb42(H)	6690	fxo WaA37	yes	yes	yes	no bayo-lug
MKb42(H)	8712	fxo / cos WaA37	yes	yes	yes	no bayo-lug
MKb42(H)	9113					no bayo-lug
Type	S/N	Receiver codes	S. mount	Muz. nut	C. blued	Remarks
MKb42(H)	9275		yes	yes	yes	no bayo-lug
MKb42(H)	9845	fxo / cos	yes	yes	yes	
MP43/1						
MP43/1	8350?/43	cos	yes no notcl	yes	yes	plastic grips, early st.
MP43/1	732a	fxo cos				#matching
MP43/1	1003a		yes			
MP43/1	2140a/43	fxo cos	yes			not matching
MP43/1	2583a/43	fxo cos	yes	yes	yes	
MP43/1	3458a/43	fxo cos	yes		yes	early stock, plast gr.
MP43/1	3882a/43		yes	yes	yes	
MP43/1	4631a/43	fxo cos		yes	yes	
MP43/1	8130a/43	fxo cos	yes	yes	yes	wood grips
MP43/1	8336a/43	cos	yes no notch			WaA21
MP43/1	8417a/43	cos 37	yes		yes	
MP43/1	8849a/43	cos	yes no notcl	yes	yes	
MP43/1	9825a/43					
MP43/1	1246b/43	fxo	yes no notcl	yes	yes	
MP43/1	2013b	cos WaAA44	yes			
MP43/1	2055b/43	cos	yes	yes	yes	
MP43/1	5807b/43	cos	yes no notcl	yes	yes	
MP43/1	7395b/43	fxo 37	yes	yes	yes	plastic grips
MP43/1	7712b		no			
MP43/1	7742b	cos WaAA44	no			
Type	S/N	Receiver codes	S. mount	Muz. nut	C. blued	Remarks

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MP43/1	7930b/43	cos		no	yes	yes	
MP43/1	8357b	cos		no	yes	yes	
MP43/1	8607b/43	fxo	37	yes	yes	yes	
MP43/1	8806b	cos	37	no	yes	yes	
MP43/1	147c/43			yes no notcl	yes	yes	
MP43/1	246c	/ cos	A44 37 63	no	yes		
MP43/1	356c	cos	37	no	yes	yes	wood grips
MP43/1	3066c			yes		no finish	
MP43/1	4569c/43			no	yes	yes	

MP43**MP43 - unknown final assembler**

MP43	5839c/43	cos		no	yes	yes	
MP43	116d/43	cos	37		yes	yes	mismatch 43/1 barrel
MP43	4735d/44	cos		no	yes	yes	
MP43	7216e/43	cos		no	yes	yes	
MP43	2534h/44	cos	37				
MP43	4448u/44	byf 135	37	no	yes		wood grips
MP43	113h/44	cos		no	yes	yes	late stock

MP43 - Haenel "fxo"

MP43	7211c	fxo / cos					
MP43	8701d/44	fxo / cos	37	no	yes	yes	WaA
MP43	1682e/44	fxo / cos			yes		WaAA44 - WaA37
MP43	2057e/44	fxo / cos			yes		

Type	S/N	Receiver codes	S. mount	Muz. nut	C. blued	Remarks	
MP43	773g/44	fxo / cos	37	no	yes	yes	WaAA44 - WaA37
MP43	1328g/44	fxo / cos	37		yes	yes	WaA44
MP43	4589g/44	fxo	37	no	yes	yes	
MP43	4023h/44	fxo / cos	37	no	yes	yes	
MP43	883h/44	fxo / cos			yes	yes	early stock
MP43	1829h/44	fxo / cos	37			yes	renumb. to 5455/44
MP43	2224h/44	cos	37	no	yes	yes	
MP43	5902h/44	fxo / cos	37	no	yes	yes	early stock
MP43	7052h/44	fxo					
MP43	7534h/44	cos		no		yes	
MP43	8513h/44	fxo / cos		no	yes	yes	
MP43	9027h/44	fxo / cos		no	yes	yes	wood grips
MP43	3328k/44	fxo / cos				yes	early stock, wood gr
MP43	6739k/44	fxo					
MP43	3618q/44	fxo / cos	WaA37	no	yes	yes	WaA77
MP43	6916q/44	fxo / cos			yes		
MP43 - Erma "ayf" / "qlv"							
MP 43	4655k/44	ayf / cos		no	yes	yes	
MP43	9918L/44	fxo			yes	yes	early stock
MP43	37?9y/45	fxo / byf		no	no	no	WaA135 - WaA37
MP43	3723z/44	qlv / byf	280 / 135		yes		# match
Type	S/N	Receiver codes	S. mount	Muz. nut	C. blued	Remarks	
MP43	4268i/44	ayf / cos		no	yes	no	# match
MP43	4313i/44	ayf / cos			yes	yes	early stock
MP43	4387k/44	ayf / cos		no	yes	yes	# match
MP43	4718k	ayf / cos		no	yes	yes	
MP43	6467k/44	qlv / cos			yes	yes	early stock
MP43	4443z/44	qlv	byf	no	yes	yes	
MP43	7443z/44	qlv / 280	byf / 135	no	yes	yes	early stock

MP43 - Sauer "ce"

MP43	1009p/44	ce / cos		no	yes	no	# match
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MP44**MP44 - unknown final assembler**

MP44	2517a/44						
MP44	9478b/44	cos		no	yes	yes	
MP44	0014C/44	no rec.	codes				a prototype ?
MP44	2011D/44			no	yes		
MP44	7258G/45						
MP44	127L/44	WaA37	cos		yes		wood grips
MP44	650n/44	cos		no	yes	yes	plastic grips
MP44	958n/44						early stock
MP44	2078n/44			no	yes		early stock
MP44	4645n/44	cos			yes	yes	early stock
MP44	1320r/44			no	yes		early stock
Type	S/N	Receiver codes		S. mount	Muz. nut	C. blued	Remarks
MP44	2608u/44	WaA37	cos	no	yes	yes	WaA135
MP44	1695y/44			no	yes	no	
MP44	3830/45						plastic grips
MP44	305ac/45			no	yes		
MP44	8473ae/45	WaA37	byf			yes	wood grips WaA135
MP44	585da/44						
MP44	1652oc/45				yes	no	lam. wood stock

MP44 - Haenel "fxo"

MP44	2837/44	fxo	cos	no	yes	yes	WaA21
MP44	1147D/44	fxo					
MP44	1965g/44	fxo	WaA37	no		yes	plastic grips
MP44	5420L	fxo	cos			yes	# matching
MP44	1979m/44	fxo	cos	no	yes	yes	# matching
MP44	2978m/44	fxo	WaA37		yes	yes	plastic grips
MP44	4848m/44	fxo		no	yes		wood grips
MP44	7485m/44	fxo	WaA37	no	yes	yes	plastic grips
MP44	8637m/44	fxo		no	yes	no	einheitskolben
MP44	8672m/44	fxo / bnz	WaA37		yes		fxo on barrel
MP44	9743m/44	fxo	cos			yes	einheitskolben
MP44	3156n/44	fxo	WaA37	no		yes	wood grips
MP44	2371t	fxo	cos	no	yes	yes	WaA44, 21 - 37
Type	S/N	Receiver codes		S. mount	Muz. nut	C. blued	Remarks
MP44	8482t	fxo	cos	no	yes	yes	wood grips
MP44	831q/44	fxo	cos	no	yes		
MP44	5867q/44	fxo	WaA37		yes	co. phosph.	brown plastic grips
MP44	5046u/44	fxo	byf				WaA37
MP44	8283u/44	fxo	byf				WaA37
MP44	3845v	fxo	cos			yes	WaA37, 21
MP44	6891v/44	fxo	cos	no	yes	yes	wood grips
MP44	9042v/44	fxo	cos 37	no	yes	reblued	
MP44	1315y/45	fxo	byf	no	no	no	
MP44	1433y/45	fxo	byf	no	yes	no	WaA254
MP44	2561y/45	fxo	byf	no	yes	no	WaA135 254
MP44	3045y/45	fxo	cos		yes		
MP44	5690y	fxo	ce		no	no	c. phosphated
MP44	8695y/45	fxo		no	yes	no	

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MP44	8788y/45	fxo	WaA37	no	yes		wood grips
MP44	5125H/45	fxo	byf		yes	no	WaA37, 135
MP44	1354aj/45	fxo	byf		yes	no	c. bare, WaA135,254

MP44 - Erma "ayf" / "qlv"

MP44	5850k/44	qlv				yes	# matching
MP44	1255n/44	qlv	cos	no	yes	no	grip not blued
MP44	6274n/44	qlv / cos	WaA280	no	yes	no	wood grips, early st.
MP44	6831n/44	qlv	cos	no	yes	yes	wood grips - matchi.

Type	S/N	Receiver codes	S. mount	Muz. nut	C. blued	Remarks	
MP44	7580n/44	qlv / cos	WaA280	no	yes	yes	
MP44	7801n/44	qlv	cos		yes		
MP44	8917n/44	qlv / cos	WaA280	no	yes	yes	wood grips
MP44	8891o/44	qlv / cos	WaA280	no	yes		early stock
MP44	354r/44	qlv / cos	WaA280	no	yes	yes	black bakelite grips
MP44	707r/44	qlv / cos		no	yes	yes	
MP44	726r/44	qlv / cos	WaA280	no	yes	yes	# match
MP44	5045r/44	qlv		no	yes		bakelite grips
MP44	5922r/44	qlv		no	yes	yes	wood grips, early st.
MP44	7863n/44	qlv / cos	WaA280	no	yes	no	wood grips
MP44	3721s/44	cos	WaA280	no	yes	no	
MP44	4411s/44	qlv / cos	WaA280	no	yes		wood grips
MP44	5916s/44	qlv	cos	no	yes	yes	bakelite grips
MP44	6536s/44	qlv / cos	WaA280	no	yes	yes	not einheitskolben
MP44	3888z/44	qlv	WaA280				and WaA135

MP44	5758z/44	cos	WaA280	no	yes	yes	
MP44	8479z/44	qlv / cos	WaA280	no	yes		
MP44	146aa/44	qlv / cos	WaA280	no	yes		wood grips
MP44	2181aa/44	cos	WaA280	no	yes	yes	wood gr.WaA21 A44
MP44	3463aa/44	qlv			yes		bakelite grips

Type	S/N	Receiver codes	S. mount	Muz. nut	C. blued	Remarks
MP44	5981aa/44	qlv / cos			yes	wood grips, early st.

MP44	9532aa/44	qlv	cos	no	yes		DDR rework
MP44	8382aa/44		WaA280	no		no	
MP44	2689/45	ayf					
MP44	5357ab/45	qlv	WaA280		yes	phosphated	
MP44	6117ab/45	qlv / cos	WaA280	no	yes	yes	wood grips
MP44	3046af/45	qlv	cos	no	yes	no	no finish

MP44 - Sauer "ce"

MP44	618p/44	ce	cos	no	yes	yes	#match
MP44	2193p/44	ce 37	cos	no	yes	yes	earl. stock, wood grip
MP44	5268p/44	ce	cos	no			converted to 9 mm
MP44	6373p/44	ce	cos		yes	yes	
MP44	6861u/44	cos	37	no	yes	yes	bakelite grips
MP44	1622y/44	ce	cos	no	yes	yes	
MP44	3270y	ce	cos		yes	no	WaA37
MP44	6067y/44	ce		no	yes	no	einheitskolben
MP44	1987ad/44	ce	cos	no	yes		
MP44	X6121ad/	ce	byf				
MP44	8238ac/45	ce	byf	no	yes	no	
MP44	5455ae/45	ce 37	cos		yes	yes	
MP44	7642ae/45	ce 37	sup.	no	yes		early stock

Type	S/N	Receiver codes	S. mount	Muz. nut	C. blued	Remarks
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MP44	4217ai/45	ce 37			yes	yes	
MP44	X2938/45	ce 37	cos		yes	yes	wood grips
MP44 - Steyr "bnz" / "swj"							
MP44	2488/44XE	swj	WaA623	no	yes		blued and renumbere.
MP44	4046/44	bnz	WaA623	no	yes	no	
MP44	4077/44	bnz	WaA623	no	yes	yes	lam. stock, plast grip
MP44	4357/44	bnz	WaA623	no	yes	yes	
MP44	9863/44					yes	
MP44	1095/44A	bnz	WaA623				
MP44	3746/44A	bnz	WaA623	no	yes	yes	
MP44	9729/44A	bnz	WaA623				
MP44	2657/44B	bnz	WaA623	no			# match
MP44	7320/44B	bnz	WaA623	no	yes	no	
MP44	9538/44B	bnz	WaA623	no	yes	no	
MP44	9932/44B	bnz	WaA623	no	yes	yes	# match
MP44	389/44C	bnz		no	yes	yes	
MP44	2331/44C	bnz			yes		
MP44	8786C/44	bnz		no	yes	yes	
MP44	2011D/44	bnz		no	yes	yes	
MP44	2891D/44		WaA623	no	yes	yes	
MP44	5903D/44	bnz	WaA623				reblued
Type	S/N	Receiver codes		S. mount	Muz. nut	C. blued	Remarks
MP44	1544E/44	bnz	WaA623	no	yes	no	early stock
MP44	4386E/44	bnz	WaA623	no	yes	yes	WaA21
MP44	7898E/44	bnz	WaA623	no	yes	no	# match
MP44	9550E/44	swj	WaA623				# match
MP44	9825E/44		WaA623	no		yes	
MP44	1537F/44	swj	WaA623	no	yes		
MP44	3969C/45	bnz				no	# match 45 ???
MP44	2713F/45	swj	WaA623	no	yes	yes	
MP44	2846F/45	swj				no	
MP44	3278F/45	swj	WaA623				
MP44	5159F/45	swj	WaA623	no	yes		
MP44	6322F/45	swj	WaA623	no	yes	no	# match, wood grips
MP44	6877F/45	swj		no	yes	no	
MP44	7643F/45	swj	WaA623	no			
MP44	8676F/45			no	yes	yes	
MP44	1641G/45	swj	WaA623	no	yes	c. varnish	plastic grips
MP44	2088G/45	swj	WaA623	no	yes	c. phos.	with ZF4 scope rail
MP44	7405G/45	swj		no	yes	varnish	bakelite stock
MP44	1278H/XE	swj	WaA623	no	yes		
MP44	1927H/XE	swj		no	yes	c. phos.	
Type	S/N	Receiver codes		S. mount	Muz. nut	C. blued	Remarks
MP44	2595H/XE	swj	WaA623	no	yes	no	
MP44	3731H		WaA623				MP43 mag.release
MP44	5552H/XE	swj		no	yes	no	
MP44	5653H/XE	swj	WaA623				

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MP44	8868H//XE	swj		no	yes	c. phos.	XE = 1945
MP44	9435H/XE	swj	WaA623	no	yes	no	
MP44	9738H/XE	swj	WaA623	no	yes	no	
MP44	9742H/XE	swj		no	yes	no finish	
MP44	3327i/XE	swj	WaA623		yes		
MP44	6396i/XE	swj	WaA623	no	yes	c. phos.	XE = 1945
MP44	8516m/44	bnz / fxo		no	yes	yes	einheitskolben
MP44	9661/XF						

StG44**StG44 - unknown final assembler**

StG44	1019ab/45	cos			no		
StG44	8885ae/45	cos		no	yes	yes	MP44 overst. StG44

Type	S/N	Receiver codes	S. mount	Muz. nut	C. blued	Remarks
StG44	674AL/45	byf		no	no	WaA135
StG44	00-15	fxo /svw	WaA133?	yes		# match 00-15

StG44 - Haenel "fxo"

StG44	8345h/44	fxo	cos		yes		MP44 overst. StG44
StG44	504y/45	fxo	cos	no	yes	yes	MP44 overst. StG44
StG44	3294y/45	fxo		no	yes	no	lam. stock
StG44	4904y/45	fxo	cos	no	no	no	
StG44	6321y/45	fxo 37	cos	no	yes	no	
StG44	5994ai/45	37	cos		no	no	einheitskolb. lam.
StG44	6953ai/45	37	cos		yes		
STG	2501aj/45	fxo	svw	no	no	yes	

StG44 - Erma "ayf" / "qlv"

StG44	7774y/45		WaA280			no	
StG44	3663aa/45	qlv	cos	no	yes	yes	MP44 overst. StG44
StG44	11af/45	qlv	WaA280	no	no	yes	einheitskolben

Type	S/N	Receiver codes	S. mount	Muz. nut	C. blued	Remarks	
StG44	1095af/45	qlv	cos 280		yes	MP44 overst. StG44	
StG44	1933af/45	qlv	cos	no	yes	no	MP44 overst. StG44
StG44	2422af/45	qlv	WaA280	no	yes	yes	wood grips

StG44 - Sauer "ce"**ce Sauer**

StG44	604ab/45	ce	svw	no	no	no	
StG44	3533ab/45	ce	cos	no	yes	yes	
StG44	8885ae/45	ce	cos 37	no	yes		MP44 overst. StG44
StG44	679ai/45	ce	cos	no	yes	yes	MP44 overst. StG44
StG44	815ai/45	ce	cos 37		yes	yes	MP44 overst. StG44

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StG44	3259ai/45	ce	cos 37		yes	yes	einheitskolb - no ribs
StG44	3565ai/45	ce	cos 37	no			einheitskolben
StG44	7757ai/45	ce	cos 37	no	yes	no	parts with no finish
StG44	8455ai/45	ce	cos 37	no	no		old type stock
StG44	682AL/45	ce	byf	no	no	no	
StG44 - Steyr "swj"							
StG44	6137J/XE	swj	sup 3/5			no	sup 3/5 means Merz Werke march 45

Type	S/N	Receiver codes	S. mount	Muz. nut	C. blued	Remarks
MP45						
MP45	89A	cos	WaAA44	no	yes	sp. mark simple rec.
MP45	1041G/45	swj		no	no	no grooves on stock

Explanations:

S. mount: Scope mount. Mkb42 and the first 43/1 had a scope mount integral on the rear sight. A few MP43/1 and MP43 had a scope rail spot-welded to the right side of the receiver.

Muz. nut: All except the last produced had a muzzle nut. The 43/1 muzzle nut is bigger as on the other types: The threaded muzzle was for use of a silencer.

C. blued: Completely blued. The first had a blue finish on all parts, later some parts weren't blued - that depended on what the subcontractors delivered. The last weren't blued at all. Instead a cellulose spray was used. In beginning grey - later transparent as on wood.

Description: The MP43, MP44 and StG44 are fundamentally the same. The MP43/1 is different. It has a thicker barrel, another barrel nut and front sight base. The early MP43/1 had a scope mount.

Names: The MP43 was officially renamed April 25, 1944 to MP44. Oct. 22, 1944 the MP44 was renamed to StG44. The new names weren't effective until much later. The MP43 was for example produced until the war ended.

MKb42(H)

Production began in 1942 and ended in Sept. 43. 10,700? were produced.

MP43/1

Production began in July, 43 and ended in the very first months of 1944. 24,300 produced ?

Note: no number without a letter suffix. Were the first 10,700 reserved MKb42(H) ?

MP43

Production began Dec. 1943 and ended in 1945.

MP44

Production began in 1944 and continued to the end of the war.

StG44

Production began in 1945.

Total production MP43/1, MP43/MP44/StG44 according to Dieter Handrich:

Haenel	Incl. MKb42 ?	185.000
Erma		104.000
Steyr	All were MP44	80.000

Sauer	55.000
Total:	424.000

Production according to Peter Senich:

Mkb42 in 1942:	91
Mkb42 in 1943:	11.717
The other types in 1943:	19.501
The other types in 1944:	281.860
The other types in 1945 *):	124.616
The other types total:	425.977

*) April not included - 20.000 more ??