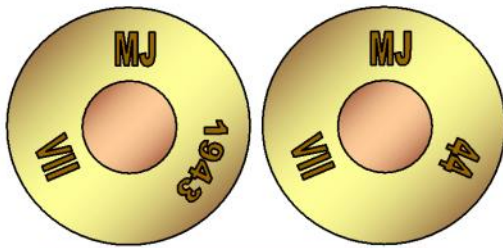
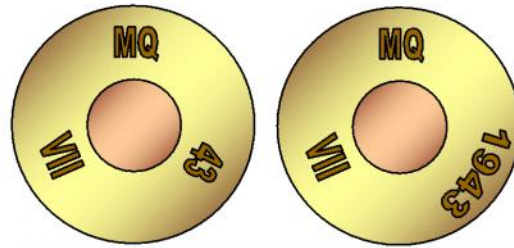


7.7x56R BALL CARTRIDGES

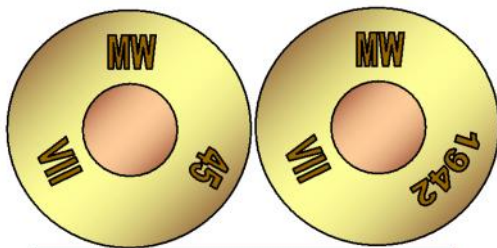
Australia commenced production of .303 ball ammunition with the Mk II ball and it is believed that the first output occurred in 1900. This model was kept in production until 1906 when the Mk VI appeared in May. The Mk VII replaced the Mk VI in February 1918 and this model was made right to the end of .303 production in Australia.



Manufactured at Factory No. 4
Hendon South Australia in 1941-5



Manufactured at Factory No. 5, Rocklea in
Queensland in 1942-3



Manufactured at Factory No. 6 in
Western Australia in 1942-5



Manufactured by Colonial Ammunition Company showing Code letter for Cordite and the commencement of month dating.



Colonial Ammunition Company showing Cordite filling code and month dated and showing the change to mark VII.



Two Government arrows added from 5-18. Retained until 1920



Name change to Small Arms Ammunition Factory. Cordite letter code dropped and made between 5-21 and 12-23



Name change to Ammunition Factory with Government arrow. Made between 1-24 and 1-25.



"A" dropped and made from 3-25 to 4-26.



First appearance of the MF headstamp.



Full year date indicating for use by synchronized RAAF weapons.



Believed to be the original H/S for what later became MG.



Factory No.2 monogram adopted as standard and used from 1940 until 1948.



Manufactured at Factory No. 3 Hendon South Australia in 1940-5



Mk. II ball first made in 1900.

Mk. VII dated 1944 showing different jacket material

Mk. VII dated 6-18