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FN HERSTAL



Over 125 Years of Excellence & Global Leadership

Founded in the Liège area of Belgium over 125 years ago, FN Herstal (formerly known as Fabrique Nationale) is a name synonymous with prestigious gunmaking. It has deep roots in a region with five centuries of tradition in designing and manufacturing firearms. From these roots it has grown to become one of the world's most respected firearms manufacturers, with a reputation for reliability, quality and innovation that stretches far beyond Belgium's borders.

FN Herstal is the Defense and Security entity of the growing Belgium-based Herstal Group. The Herstal Group is fully owned by the Walloon Region (one of the three Regional Governments of Belgium). It also includes a Hunting and Sports Shooting entity that operates under the Browning and Winchester Firearms* brands. The Herstal Group has a turnover of over € 750 million**, and is supported globally by 2,700 talented direct employees, all of whom work together to preserve a heritage of skilled gunmaking, passed from generation to generation.

Today, FN Herstal has subsidiaries in multiple countries, including FN America in the USA, Manroy Engineering in the UK and Noptel (specializing in optoelectronics) in Finland. It also has a global sales network to support its ever expanding customer base. While globally dispersed, every division of FN Herstal shares a unified approach to delivering the very best in innovation, R&D and state-of-the-art production thanks to an intensive investment policy. It is due to these wide ranging commitments to excellence that FN Herstal achieves its exceptional quality standards and a AS/EN 9100 (aerospace industry level) certification.

* Winchester Firearms is a trademark registered by Olin Corporation

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The Trusted Brand for Defense & Security

From its inception, FN Herstal's core business has been small caliber firearms and associated ammunition. Over the years, this focus has expanded to include the design, development, manufacture and integration of weapon systems for air, land and sea applications, less lethal systems and added value solutions for enhanced logistics, maintenance and communication capabilities.

Partnering the quality of FN Herstal's products are its 360° services. As a long-standing company, customers gain reassurance knowing that certified accessories and spare parts for maintaining their equipment will be available for many years to come.

FN Herstal also provides training, technical assistance and documentation, upgrades, retrofits and everything customers need to gain the maximum tactical advantage from its innovative range.

It can also design, implement and manage major industrial projects, enabling its customers to manufacture FN Herstal products or maintain them at operational readiness themselves. FN Herstal's extensive array of services is just one of the many reasons why defense and security forces in over 130 countries worldwide place their trust in firearms bearing the FN Herstal brand.



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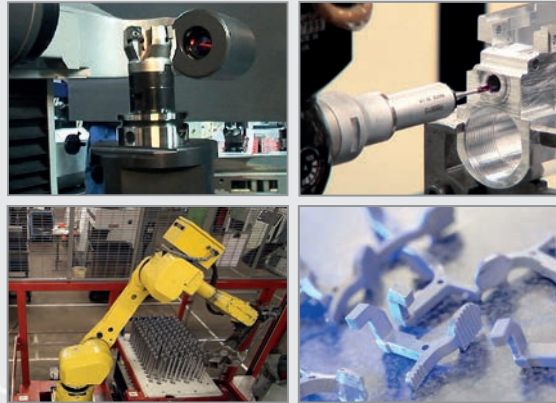
A Legacy that Grows with Each Generation

Innovation has always been a key driver of FN Herstal's success.

Throughout its existence, FN Herstal has created a number of world standards in firearms: FN® High Power, FN® FAL, FNC™, FN MAG® and FN® M2HB-QCB to name just a few. These are all being carried by military, law enforcement and Special Forces all over the globe to this day. Along with designing and producing firearms, FN Herstal has developed world reference cartridges, such as the 7.62 x 51 mm and SS109 5.56 x 45 mm, that have been adopted as NATO standards.

Over its history, in addition to firearms and ammunition, FN Herstal has also developed bicycles, motorcycles, cars, plane engines and many other products requiring intricate mechanical engineering and advanced in-house capabilities.

Since the early 2000s, FN Herstal's strategy has successfully moved to extending and diversifying its product lines while keeping the small caliber firearms and associated ammunition at the core of the business. Undoubtedly, many of today's new developments will add new chapters to FN Herstal's proud history.



Technological Innovation & Unique Know-How

To maintain its lead in Defense & Security, FN Herstal has adopted a strong, self-funded investment policy. On average, 10% of FN Herstal's turnover is invested in research and development, new technologies and production tools yearly.

Producing high performance products of exceptional quality requires continuous in-house research and development to create new solutions that meet client specifications, both today and into the future. It also demands the use of the latest state-of-the-art production tools and machinery (e.g. manufacture of critical components, heat treatment, surface treatment), testing and packing facilities. These are all supported by talented and passionate people that live the FN Herstal ethos every day in their work.

Expertise, technology and passion - at FN Herstal they all become one.



Growing with Passionate & Talented People

FN Herstal has a number of sales and/or production facilities, all over the globe. Wherever they are based, every member of staff is united by the founding principles of innovation and craftsmanship on which FN Herstal laid its foundations over 125 years ago.

Every day, FN Herstal leverages the collective talents of its people to set new standards in gunmaking and to meet the ever rising demands of customers for robust defense and security solutions.

FN Herstal's design and manufacturing technology is among the most advanced in the industry. However, it is its teams of people that are its greatest resource. They are the driving force that keeps FN Herstal at the forefront and pushing new boundaries in armament innovation.

Passion and talent are characteristics that are inherent in all of its staff. Yet FN Herstal also seeks to cultivate and enhance these abilities. It provides staff at all levels with continuous training so they can achieve new standards of excellence, both in their own careers and for the company as a whole.

With a combination of expertise, talent and passion embedded in every single employee and department, FN Herstal is a gunmaker whose values of being exceptional are lived and breathed in every subsidiary worldwide.







FN: A Global Reference in the World of Firearms

FN Herstal continuously cooperates with its customers to understand, or anticipate, their very specific needs, in order to develop and provide innovative products and solutions that meet their requirements.

For all manner of operational requirements, FN Herstal provides a full range of portable firearms, from its 5.7 mm pistol up to its .50 cal heavy machine gun.

Notable models in extensive service include its 5.7 x 28 mm system (FN Five-seveN® pistol, FN P90® submachine gun, and associated cartridge); bullpup FN F2000® assault rifle; family of FN SCAR® (assault rifle in 5.56 or 7.62 and underbarrel or stand-alone 40 mm LV grenade launcher; precision rifle in 7.62); FN MINIMI® in 5.56 or 7.62, FN MAG® and FN® M2HB-QCB machine guns.

These firearms are relied upon for mission success in the world's most demanding theaters of operations and challenging security operations.



Cutting Edge FN® e-novation

The FN® e-novation line specializes in innovative, added value solutions that integrate modern and cutting-edge technology, such as optoelectronic modules, into small firearms.

FN® e-novation solutions provide among others enhanced communications during missions, along with enhanced logistics and maintenance management. This line includes the FN® FCU fire control unit for 40 mm grenade launcher, the FN SmartCore® smart shot counter and the FN® SAM Small Arms Management software.

Additional options that further enhance the capabilities of FN Herstal's firearms are in constant development.









Effective Less Lethal Solutions

When lethal force can be avoided, FN Herstal provides effective less lethal solutions. These are an essential complement to its traditional firearms product range when faced with aggressive, violent or hostile people not carrying firearms.

The FN 303[®] less lethal system features an impact projectile fired from a compact or shoulder-fired launcher. This projectile - various types are available - will deliver a sufficiently dissuasive effect to temporarily neutralize a suspect up to a range of 50 meters yet with minimum risk of causing a penetrating injury or collateral damage.

This highly accurate less lethal system is successfully deployed and in service with military, law enforcement and special units across the five continents.

Innovation Driven Airborne Weapon Systems



FN Herstal's weapon systems are designed around FN machine guns (FN MAG®/M240, FN® M2HB-QCB or world exclusive FN® M3/GAU-21 series) to guarantee full mission capability while ensuring protection for the carrier and maximum safety for the crew.

Rather than just designing and producing the complete system, FN Herstal also takes care of the integration, within the context of the operational platform, which requires a deep understanding of the weapons and their effects on the rotary- or fixed-wing applications. To achieve this, the company collaborates closely with both the operational end users and carrier manufacturers.

Over 4,500 FN Herstal airborne systems - either podded or pintle - have been mounted onto a wide range of helicopters and subsonic aircraft across the world.

Additional cutting-edge, digital solutions are in constant development to meet challenging markets demands and expectations, and to provide the highest level of operational capability to military forces.



State-of-the-Art Land & Sea Weapon Systems

FN Herstal also integrates its machine guns onto pintle-mounted, coaxial weapon systems or deFNder® remote weapon stations for land and naval applications. By doing so, it provides complete state-of-the-art solutions to counter current and emerging threats.

The deFNder® family is just one example of new technologies developed by FN Herstal to meet modern day defense and security challenges. It combines long-standing expertise in firearms and integrated electronics, optoelectronics, software and power-drive technologies.

Highly flexible, FN Herstal collaborates with every end user and/or OEM to ensure its weapon systems are properly integrated onto their land or naval platform, whether it is new or already in service.





Small Caliber Ammunition by a Firearms Manufacturer

The performance of ammunition not only affects a weapon's effectiveness but also its safety and reliability. FN Herstal, as the original designer of the most widely used NATO standard calibers, is uniquely placed to ensure perfect compatibility between these two fundamental elements: firearms and ammunition.

Rigorous manufacturing and testing standards are the foundation for FN Herstal's ability to deliver high quality ammunition that military, law enforcement and Special Forces can rely on today and into the future.







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