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Thompson/Center Arms® Reintroduces The G2 Contender® In Complete Rifle and Complete Pistol Systems

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (April 13, 2015) – Thompson/Center Arms makes it easier than ever for sportsmen and women to experience the versatility and performance of an interchangeable firearms platform through the reintroduction of the venerable G2 Contender. Now, T/C enthusiasts can take home a G2 Contender rifle or pistol as part of a complete rifle or complete pistol system.

Utilizing the longtime choice of serious hunters around the world, the G2 Contender, the complete rifle and complete pistol systems easily transition from plinking to big-game hunting. Chambered in .30-30 Win. (Complete Rifle System) as well as .22LR and .357 Magnum (Complete Pistol Systems), the new T/C G2 Contender rifle and pistol come complete with barrel, stock and forend. As needs arise, hunters and shooters have the freedom to customize their G2 Contender complete rifle with barrels in blued or stainless and in seven different calibers ranging from 17 HMR to 30-30 Win. An additional 11 different calibers from 17 HMR to 45 Colt/410 Bore are available as an accessory barrel to compliment the G2 Contender complete pistol.

"The versatility of the G2 Contender has always been at the heart of its popularity and we have definitely preserved that for hunters and shooters who depend on these rifle and pistol platforms in a host of different hunting situations," said Thompson/Center Brand Manager Danielle Sanville. "But what the G2 Contender complete rifle and complete pistol systems do is make it easier for hunters and shooters who prefer something chambered in a proven, all-around caliber that is ready to go right out of the box while also having the option of further customization down the road."

The components of the T/C G2 Contender Complete Rifle and Complete Pistol maintain their compatibility with previous G2 Contender models. The G2 Contender frame will accept all Contender barrels and their corresponding forends (except the Herrett forend). Blued and stainless barrels are also interchangeable. As sportsmen and women have come to expect from T/C's interchangeable firearm platforms, sights and optics mounted onto barrels stay sighted in and ready to perform when returned to the firearm.

The interchangeable, single-shot T/C G2 Contender Complete Rifle and Complete Pistol are made in the U.S.A. of the highest-quality materials to deliver unparalleled versatility and performance.

T/C G2 Contender Complete Rifle Specifications

Caliber: .30-30 Win. Barrel Length: 23 inches Overall Length: 36.75 inches

Weight: 5.5 lbs. Sights: None

Length of Pull: 14 inches

Rate of Twist: 1:10

Finish/Stock: Blued/Walnut

T/C G2 Contender Complete Pistol Specifications

Calibers: .22LR and .357 Magnum

Barrel Length: 12 inches Overall Length: 15.5 inches

Weight: 3.5 lbs. Sights: Adjustable

Rate of Twist: 1:15 (.22LR), 1:14 (.357 Magnum)

Finish/Stock: Blued/Walnut

For more information on the Thompson/Center G2 Contender or to locate the nearest Thompson/Center authorized dealer, call (800) 331-0852 or go online to http://www.tcarms.com.

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