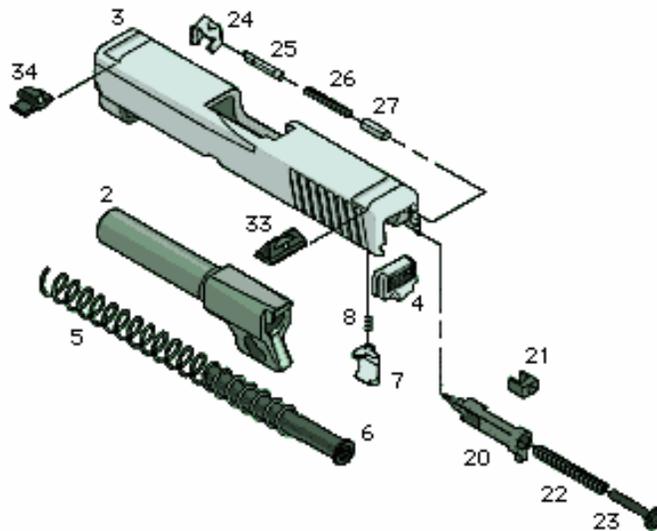


How To "Detail Strip" the Kahr's Upper!

IMPORTANT: It is highly recommended that safety glasses be worn for this procedure!

WARNING: Follow the basic rules of firearms safety! Make sure your gun is unloaded!

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NOTE 1: The slide detail above from www.kahrshop.com will help, as it will make referencing the numbered parts in my steps easier to understand:
http://www.kahrshop.com/images/p_slide_asmbly.gif

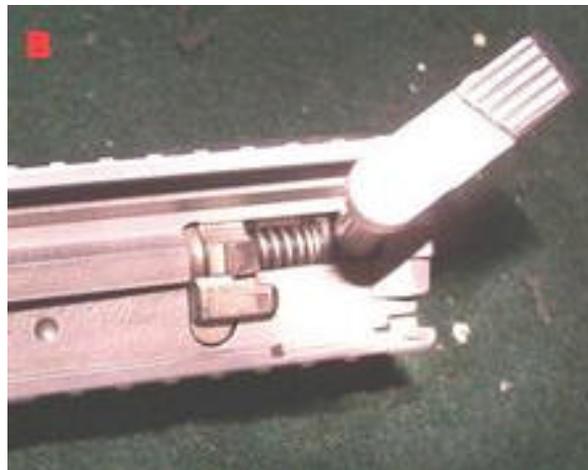
NOTE 2: First printing out all the material found here, on Glocktalk, the photo hosting site & the reference pictures found on Kahr is recommended before you start any actual work. Actually having a paper reference in front of you seems less distracting. Besides, then you can scribble "notes to self" as you best understand them, as well as finding it convenient to set THIS SHEET (with its exploded upper drawing) next to you as a reference while proceeding through the operation. It is suggested that you read through the entire procedure before beginning.

Step #1: Field strip your Kahr according to the manual. You can download a manual free from Kahr. (Keep the slide stop/release lever handy for the next step.)

Step #2: Grab a flathead screwdriver with a head no larger than that of the striker channel. Use the flathead screw driver to snag the "Striker Spring" (#22) near the very end of it at the back of your Kahr's slide like shown here in **Figure "A"**.



Pull the "Striker Spring" (#22) towards the muzzle end of the gun & you should find that the "Striker Spring Guide" (#23) also pulls down too. While holding those 2 parts back insert the pin portion of the slide stop/release lever into the striker channel in-between the "Slide Back" cover plate (#4) & the round head of the "Striker Spring Guide" (#23) like shown here in **Figure "B"**.



The tension of the "Striker Spring" (#22) will keep the slide stop/release lever in place for the next step. The "Striker Spring Guide" (#23) head must be held back before the "Slide Back" cover plate (#4) can be removed!

Step #3: Turn the slide on its end with the rear of the slide facing straight up. Notice the half circle cutout on the right side? (**Figure "C"**)



The lowest section inside that half circle is the rear end of the "Back Extractor Pin" (#27). You need to find something small & rigid enough to push on only this section inside the half circle. A very small screwdriver from an eyeglass repair kit works well or a very small allen-wrench, a paperclip may or may not be rigid enough.

CAUTION: For next step, keep your thumb over the rear of the slide as you push the rear cover plate forward! Contents under spring pressure behind the rear cover plate will go flying if not held back. Remember your eye protection!

Step #4: Insert your chosen tool like in **Figure "D"** inside the half circle & press down. You only need to push the "Back Extractor Pin" (#27) down about a 1/16 of an inch or less to get it clear of the "Slide Back" cover plate (#4).



While pushing in the "Back Extractor Rod" (#27) try & push the "Slide Back" cover plate (#4) forward like in **Figure "E"**.



You may have to use a small flathead screwdriver to get the "Slide Back" cover plate (#4) started forward like in **Figure "F"** as they can be tight.



Push the "Slide Back" cover plate (#4) completely out while keeping your thumb over the rear of the slide's end. Let the black "Striker Spring Guide" (#23) & "Striker Spring" (#22) up slowly.

Step #5: Extract the black "Striker Spring Guide" (#23) & "Striker Spring" (#22) sticking out from the slide in **Figure "G"** & set them aside.



Step #6: Turn the slide so the bottom side is facing up & push down the "Striker Block" (#7) like shown in **Figure "H"**. Now you can slide the "Striker" (#20) all the way out to the rear.



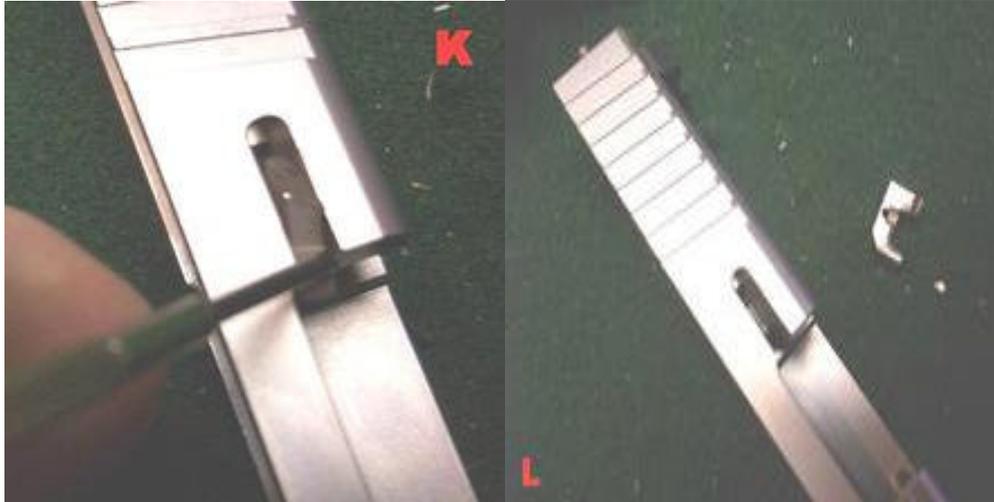
Keep in mind that the "Striker Block" (#7) needs to be pushed in a bit to allow the "Striker" (#20) to pass by when reinstalling this part. The "Striker" (#20) is the main part that holds the "Striker Block" (#7) in place.

Step #7: Remove the "Striker Spacer" (#21) from the "Striker" (#20) by simply pushing it out the side like shown in **Figure "I"** & in **Figure "J"**.



When reinserting the "Striker Spacer" (#21) it does not matter which side goes in first, both are the same.

Step #8: Turn the slide over so that the "Extractor" (#24) side is facing up. To remove the "Extractor" (#24) push it down at the front like shown in **Figure "K"** & **Figure "L"**.



Step #9: To get the 3 parts inside the extractor channel out, lightly tap the muzzle end of the slide on a padded surface while lightly working the "Striker Block" (#7) in & out. You may find that you will need to insert something small in diameter into the extractor channel to help these 3 parts out. Keep in mind that the "Striker Block" (#7) does keep a little pressure on these parts. To see the order these parts go see **Figure "M"**.



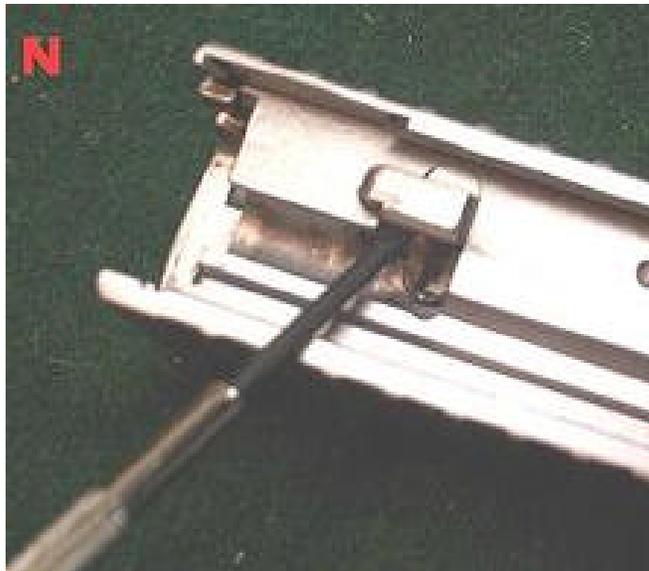
The "Back Extractor Pin" (#27) does not have a certain end that has to go back in first during the reinstall, and the same goes for the "Extractor Spring" (#26). However, the "Front Extractor Pin" (#25) does need to go back in a certain way & also needs to be rotated so it rests on the rear of the "Extractor" (#24) a certain way. The "concaved" end of the "Front Extractor Pin" (#25) needs to be facing in when resting on the rear of the "Extractor" (#24) once installed.

You will know if you don't install this part correctly as the "Extractor" (#24) will not freely work when tested. Once installed, your "Front Extractor Pin" (#25) should look like **Figure "P"** while resting on the end of the "Extractor" (#24).



Also see the "hint" at the bottom of these instructions for more reinstall help.

Step #10: Once all 3 parts have been removed from the extractor channel the "Striker Block" (#7) can be removed. To remove the "Striker Block" (#7) lightly work it out of the slide like shown in **Figure "N"**.



Step #11: If the "Striker Safety Spring" (#8) has not already separated from the "Striker Block" (#7) (**Figure "O"**) simply pull it out.



The "Striker Safety Spring" (#8) has no particular way it reinstalls.

REASSEMBLE: To put your upper back together just reverse the above Steps paying close attention to any reassembly notes at the end of each Step.

HINT: When reinstalling it is easier to install the "Front Extractor Pin" (#25) in through the ejection port side BEFORE installing the "Extractor" (#24)... this should make it easier to get the "Front Extractor Pin" (#25) rotated onto the "Extractor" (#24) correctly. Right after that you may find that a piece of tape



over the "Extractor" (#24) helps to keep everything in place while you do the rest of the install. After this is done drop in the "Extractor Spring" (#26) & "Back Extractor Pin" (#27) from the rear, in that order. Keep in mind that the "Striker Block" (#7) must go in BEFORE any of the parts are placed into the extractor channel & that it may have to be slightly worked in & out a bit to allow the "Extractor Spring" (#26) to slip through. You may also find that you have to hold the "Striker Block" (#7) in place while inserting the extractor channel parts.

AFTER REASSEMBLY: ALWAYS do a "striker/firing pin safety check"! A Kahr "striker/firing pin safety check" can be done (Directions are for the GLOCK specifically, but it is done the same way for the Kahr.) by following the directions given here: <http://glockmeister.com/fpsafety.shtml>

Hope this helps!

Now that you've done all that there's one thing your Kahr probably needs after all of this manhandling. A good lube job. So, in the interest of good preventive maintenance.....

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10 LUBE POINTS

Note: Use a Q-Tip saturated with lube for all "points" BUT 2, 3 & 5.



(1) Lightly coat the whole inside of this 'hole'.

(2) Lightly coat the whole outside of the round part of the barrel.

(3) Lightly coat the whole outside of the of the guide rod.

(4) Lightly coat the whole outside of the round part of the slide stop.

(5) Place slide with muzzle end strait up, put a drop of lube in both 'rail grooves' & let run down the whole length.

(6) Lightly coat the whole area of the inside of the slide.

(7) Put a very small drop in the corner of this part on the striker/firing pin.

(8) Lightly coat this area of the striker/firing pin safety.

(9) Lightly coat this surface on the 'pickup rail'.

(10) Lightly coat these two guide rails.