6 X 45mm [ZZ3 REM CASE]

Test Specifications:

Firearm Used: Winchester M70

Barrel Length: 24"

Twist: 1 x 9"

Components:

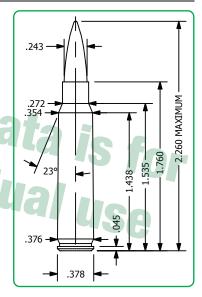
Case: Fed. .223 (reformed)

Trim-to Length: 1.750"

Primer: Fed. 205M

Remarks:

Also known as the 6mm/223 Remington, the 6x45mm is nothing more than the standard 223 Remington case necked up to accept .243" diameter bullets. The 223 has proven itself to be an outstanding varmint cartridge,



and the 6x45mm is just more of a good thing. Offering nearly the same velocities with somewhat heavier bullets, the 6x45mm gives a bit more wallop than its parent 223 at almost all ranges. This makes the 6x45mm better for tougher varmints, such as badgers and coyotes.

It has been offered as a factory chambering by both Kimber and Cooper Arms, but no commercial maker has ever produced loaded ammunition. This is almost surprising since the cartridge fills a unique varminting niche. With the standardization of the ballistically similar 6mm PPC and Remington BR cartridges, it seems unlikely that the 6x45mm will ever become a factory offering.

This is an extremely easy cartridge to load for. Case forming is accomplished with no more effort than conventional resizing of fired 223 cases. Special forming dies are not required. We recommend a polished, tapered expander ball and a good neck lubricant, such as graphite or motor mica, to ease the necking process.

Several powders gave good results in our test rifle. Some of the bulkier powders, such as IMR-3031, will require the use of a drop tube to get the full charge shown into the case. For use on varmints, bullets weighing from 60 to 80 grains will be the best choices. Although deer have been taken with the 6x45mm, its performance is marginal for such game. Heavier bullets, particularly the 85 grain projectiles, are the best options for deer and antelope, but they require precise shot placement. While our test rifle had a twist fast enough to stabilize the 100 grain bullets, they cannot be driven fast enough to assure proper expansion at longer ranges.

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	Bulle	et Calib	er Wei	ght Ty	/pe			C.O.A.L.
	#150	00 .243	3" 60(gr. H	Р			2.260"
	#150)2 .243	3" 55(jr. Bl	itzKing			2.260"
Powder ∨	Velocity >	2800	2900	3000	3100	3200		
IMR-4198		22.0	22.6	23.1	5)			
A 2015 BR	0 1	23.3	24.0	24.6	25.3			
IMR-3031	5 V	24.4	25.2	26.0				
H322		23.0	23.7	24.3	25.0	25.6		
A 2230		24.5	25.3	26.0	26.8	27.5		
748	12-11	25.6	26.5	27.3	28.2	29.0		
H335		23.2	24.4	25.5	26.7	27.8		
A 2495 BR		23.7	24.4	25.0	25.7	26.3		
H4895		24.7	25.6	26.4	27.3	28.1		
Energy Ft. Ib:	S	957	1027	1099	1173	1250		
Special Load	Por	wder	Grai	ns	Velocity	fps	Energy F	t. lb
Accuracy Loa	i d 748		28.2		3100		1173	
Hunting Load	748		28.2		3100		1173	

Bu	llet Cali	ber Wei	ight T	ype			C.O.A.L.			
#1	505 .24	3" 70	gr. H	PBT Mate	chKing)	2.260"			
#1507 .243" 70gr. BlitzKing 2.260"										
Powder ∨ Velocity >	2700	2800	2900	3000	3100					
IMR-4198	20.8	21.3	21.8	22.3						
A 2015 BR	22.4	23.2	24.0	24.8						
IMR-3031	24.0	24.9	25.7							
H322	22.5	23.3	24.2	25.0						
748	24.0	25.0	26.0	27.0	28.0					
H335	24.1	25.0	25.9	26.8	27.7					
A 2495 BR	23.6	24.3	25.0	25.7	26.4					
H4895	25.0	25.6	26.3	26.9						
Energy Ft. Ibs	1133	1218	1307	1399	1493					
Special Load P	owder	Gra	ins	Velocity	fps	Energy	Ft. Ib			
Accuracy Load A	2015BR	24.0	0	2900		1307				
Hunting Load A	2015BR	24.8	8	3000		1399				

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	Bullet	Caliber	Weigh	t Ty	pe		C	.O.A.L.
	#1510	.243"	75gr.	HP)			2.260"
	#7150	.243"	80gr.	SP	Т			2.260"
	#1515	.243"	80gr.	SB	T Blitz			2.260"
Powder ∨ Velocit	y > 25	00 26	00 27	700	2800	2900	H 7	
IMR-4198	19	.3 20	0.1 20	0.9	21.7			
A 2015 BR	21	.7 22	2.4 23	3.1	23.7	24.4		
IMR-3031	23	.0 23	3.8 24	4.5	25.3			
H322	21	.5 22	2.2 22	2.9	23.6	24.3		
A 2230	22	.4 23	3.3 24	4.2	25.0	25.9		
748	24	.7 25	.4 20	6.2	26.9	27.6		
H335	22	.6 23	3.5 24	4.4	25.3	26.2		
A 2495 BR	22	.4 23	3.3 24	4.3	25.2	26.1		
H4895		24	.0 2	5.0	26.0	27.0		
Energy Ft. Ibs	10	41 11	26 12	214	1305	1400		
Special Load	Powd	er	Grains	1	/elocity	fps	Energy Fi	i. lb
Accuracy Load	748		26.9	2	2800		1305	
Hunting Load	748	G	27.6	2	2900		1400	
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Hunting Load 748 27.6 2900 1400								



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	Bullet Cali	ber Weig	ht Typ	е			C.O.A.L.
	#1530 .24	3" 85gı	r. HPE	ЗТ			2.260"
	#1520 .24	3" 85gı	r. SPT				2.260"
	#1535 .24	3" 90gı	r. FM.	JBT			2.260"
Powder V Veloci	ty > 2300	2400	2500	2600	2700		
IMR-4198	17.3	18.2	19.0	-11			
A 2015 BR	21.4	22.0	22.6	23.2	23.8		
IMR-3031	20.5	21.5	22.5	23.5	24.5		
H322	20.5	21.3	22.0	22.8	23.5		
A 2230	21.9	22.5	23.1	23.7	24.3		
748	24.0	24.6	25.2	25.8	26.4		
H335	22.0	22.8	23.5	24.3	25.0		
A 2495 BR	22.2	22.8	23.5	24.1	24.7		
H4895	20.6	22.0	23.4	24.8			
Energy Ft. lbs	998	1087	1179	1276	1376		
Special Load	Powder	Grain	is V	elocity	fps	Energy	Ft. lb
Accuracy Load	H335	24.3	2	600		1276	
Hunting Load	H335	24.3	2	600		1276	

