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Gents, I thought I would share with you how the ATI stock for my m-14 mini worked out. I finally received it. You must assemble the stock parts. You must then modify it for the trigger assembly. Not for me. Sent it back. Put my Ruger "carbine" upgrade stock back on. Concluded that the stock works just fine and looks appropriate. So I decided to look for other improvements. I have never been a fan of the 3-blade punch pin front sight. Looked at some of the forums, including the Ruger forum. Learned that mini 14s are not expensive to upgrade and improve the shooting experience. Called and left a message at Accuracy systems in CO. Got a call back from Carl the owner. This 25-year-old company specializes in the Ruger mini 14. Many improved parts are available. Turns out I purchased one of their handrails for my mini a few years ago. Ruger factory one is plastic. Carl is a gracious man and took the time to listen to how I shoot my miny and how often. He walked me through the different options and how they affect the shooting experience. We settled on the following. We will remove the front sight. Did not want another pinned sight. Cut off the front barrel just behind the pinhole. Thread the barrel and re-crown. The thread will be the common 1/2 28 TPI. Many breaks to choose from. Selected a Ca legal break. They will upgrade the trigger set to their "advanced" trigger set and upgrade the shock buffer and power guide spring. This upgrade is said to be the most common and the most satisfying by many on the forums. Takes the crunchy factory trigger pull out and replaces it with 3.5 smooth pull-wide trigger. Adding the harmonic barrel stabilizer which I have read really improves your shot groups at 100. I also wanted the receiver to fit better in the rugger carbine stock. Many understand that the small amount of slop does affect repeat accuracy. Ordered their 3-point bedding system. Inexpensive but many say it is highly effective. Got it packed up for shipping today. The current estimate for the work and returning is 3-6 weeks. Cost about \$1200. Some may think that it is too much spent on that rifle. I don't think so. The shooters on the forums that have done this, or some of it all say they shoot their mini more and enjoy the experience more. Geez what a long post. Phonz, Sean apologize upfront.

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