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TIP #1: My screw heads are stripped. What do I do?

If this hasn't happened to you yet, it will happen eventually. None of the ATS guns use standard slotted or phillips-head screws. Instead, they use screws that are made to be turned using allen keys. While I must admit that the allen screws give ATS guns a very polished look, they can be easy to strip (especially the tiny ones used to hold the two halves of the clip together). The solution is simple, but it requires a Dremel rotary tool (or similar type of rotary tool). Using a Dremel 540 cutting disk cut a slot in the top of each of the screw heads. The unaltered screw has no slot and can not be turned using a screw driver. The altered screw has a slot and can be turned using a screw driver. This can be done to every screw on the gun if you like. I own five magazines and I have done this mod to all the screws on those clips and all of my spare magazine screws.



**Dremel 540
Cutting Disk**



Unaltered Screw



Altered Screw

NOTE: If the screw head is stripped and the screw is still in the magazine/gun, cut a shallow slot in the head being careful to not cut the magazine/gun. Cut just deep enough to remove the screw. Once you have removed the screw make a deeper slot that is more accommodating to your screwdriver.

WARNING: While cutting the slot, the screw will get hot. Make sure to cut slow enough that the screw doesn't get hot enough to melt the magazine/gun, or burn you. Make sure to wear safety goggles.