Shooting a Scoped SKS

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I am going to make this range report short and sweet. I recently purchased a scope mount and scope for the SKS. The type of scope mount was the kind that replaces the receiver dust cover

as shown in figure 3.

I only have two good things to say about this project: 1) I did not have to modify my rifle to use the mount 2) I can use the scope on another rifle. I installed the scope mount following the instructions; removing only enough of the front



rails to fit the mount snuggly into the receiver.



I believe this is inherently a bad design for a scope mount. The receiver cover is not a secure device to begin with and does not make a good base for a scope to be mounted on. It took me almost sixty rounds (sighting in) to even

produce the grouping in **figure 2**. Every time I thought I had the scope set, I would spray the target like I had fired buck shot from a sawed off shotgun. My groupings were everywhere.



I finally was disgusted enough and took the scope off of the rifle. I fired forty rounds at the same distance and grouped as well (or better) with open sights as when shooting with the scope.

I do not recommend this scope mount for the SKS. I will look for a better mount that is somehow



attached to the receiver or other sturdy mount and try again later. At least I did not spend very much for this project!

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