

# Belton Flintlock (Wiki)[1777]

"The **Belton flintlock** was a repeating [flintlock](#) design using [superposed loads](#), conceived by [Philadelphia, Pennsylvania](#), resident Joseph Belton some time prior to 1777. The [musket](#) design was offered by Belton to the newly formed [Continental Congress](#) in 1777. Belton wrote that the musket could fire eight rounds with one loading,<sup>[1]</sup> and that he could support his claims "by experimental proof."<sup>[2]</sup> Belton failed to sell the musket to Congress, and later was unable to sell the design to the British Army a year after the [American Revolution](#).<sup>[1]</sup> There are no records that indicate that the gun was ever supplied, and it is uncertain if or how exactly the Belton improvement operated.<sup>[2]</sup>"

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