

# AHMR2 FFP IR MOA Helos BTR GEN2 Riflescope

#### FIRST FOCAL PLANE



**RETICLE MANUAL** 

## THE ATHLON® AHMR2 FFP IR MOA RETICLE

AHMR2 FFP IR MOA reticle is specifically designed for hunting and mid range application and the popular hunting caliber rifles with hold over points for both bullet drop compensation and wind holdover. The center cross with a 12 moa circle is perfect for locking in your big game at various distances. The reticle is designed for you to zero your rifle a 100 yds center and use the bullet drop holdover up to 700 yds. The dots on horizontal lines below the center are specially designed for holding over for 5 mph and 10 mph wind. The ranging reticle down below is specially designed for ranging a deer body mass (from belly to the top of shoulder of a whitetail buck) from 200 yds to 600 yds. The illuminated center portion of the reticle provides great visibility during dusk and dawn low light conditions.

Application: Short and Mid Range Hunting and Tactical application



**Note:** The reticle image shown above will appear differently among different models due to different magnification and location of the reticle.

#### **RETICLE SUBTENSIONS**

The AHMR2 FFP IR MOA reticle is based on the minute of angle, a unit of angular measurement, usually shortened to moa. A "moa" is defined as "one minute of an angle". As a full circle has 360 degrees, and each degree is composed of 60 minutes (60'). thus there are 360 (degrees) x 60 (minutes) = 21,600 minutes in a circle. Since there are 360 degree in a circle, we can get 360 degree/21600 minutes=0.0166670/ minute. If the target is 100 yards ( 3600 inches) away, we can use a formula, 3600\*TAN(RADIANS (.016667 )), to get 1.047 inches which means 1 moa equals to 1.047 inches at 100 yards. Many people just round up the 1.047 inches to 1 inch @100 yards. If you are using metric system, formula 100000mm\*TAN (RA DIANS(.01667)) gets you that 1 moa equals to 29.1mm @100 meters.

The AHMR2 FFP IR MOA reticle is located at the focal plane in the front of the erector tube which is a key part of achieving variable power inside the riflescope. Size of the first focal plane reticle grows or shrinks at the same ratio with the changing size of the image of your target when you try to zoom in or zoom out. Since the size of the reticle remains constant compared to your target regardless of the magnification, the subtension of the reticle remains valid all the time. The reticle at 2x actually becomes a center cross for effectively engaging games at short range while at 12x power settings it provides finer details for a shooter to locate proper hold over positions for games at long range.



#### HOLDOVER FOR COMPENSATING BULLET DROP

To be able to use the elevation holdovers effectively, you have to know the distance to your target and bullet trajectory (bullet drop in inches or moas). Since many bullet ballistic charts highlight bullet drops in inches and Imoa equals to 1.047 (rounded up to 1 inch) at 100 yards, 2 inches at 200 yards, and 10 inches at 1000 yards, etc, we can use those to calculate the holdover position in moa on this reticle.

For example, under no wind condition, if you knew your target is at 300 yards and your ammo has a 7.2 inch bullet drop at that distance, you want to use 2.4 moa holdover point. Here is how you got the 2.4 moa since 1 moa equals to 1 inch x 3 =3 inches at 300 yards, and then 2.4 moa equal to 2.4 x 3 inches =7.2 inches at 300 yards, you want to hold the 2.4 moa drop point to compensate the 7.2 inch bullet drop.

To achieve ultimate precision, it is always a better idea to develop your own D.O.P.E (Data of Previous Engagement )chart so that you can refer back to it for specific bullet drop compensation under different ambient environment and weather condition.

The elevation holdover positions can be used for below ammunition loads:

.223 Rem 55gr .243 Win 95gr .25-06 Rem 115gr .270 Win 130gr .270 WSM 150gr 7mm Rem Mag 150gr 7mm WSM 150gr .300 Winchester Mag 180gr 300 WSM 180gr .308 Win 150gr .338 Win 200gr



Bullet holdovers for target at every 100 yards. No wind. Zeroed at 100 yards, ballistic calculation based on the popular hunting cartridges.

### HOLDOVER FOR WIND CORRECTION

The flying time of a bullet, the velocity and direction of the wind and the "slippery-ness" of the bullet expressed in BC (Ballistic Coefficient) determine your holdover for wind correction. Once again you have to understand the impact of those three factors on



your bullet's flying path in terms of inches or moas and calculate how much holdover you have to hold, and then finding the corresponding holdover position on the reticle is a much easier task to accomplish.





5 mph wind from left to right, holdover for wind correction at every 100 yards.

10 mph wind from left to right, holdover for wind correction at every 100 yards.

#### **DISTANCE RANGING RETICLE**

EXAMPLE



DETAIL



Example of a whitetail buck at 300 yds.

The gap between the ranging reticle line to the top of the thick black line is 18 inches, that is a typical body height of a whitetail buck from belly to shoulder top. If you can fit a whitetail buck body mass (belly to shoulder top) into a gap just call out the distance in hundred yards by using the number beside the horizontal line.

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