Delsaurian "Gutter-Rake" HCG

The Delsaurian "Gutter-Rake" HCG, or the Hybrid Caliber Gun, is an ancient weapon hybrid between a shotgun and high-power rifle created by the Delsaurians. In YE 39, in an agreement with Zen Armaments, the HCG entered the open market under a unified design and production method. Most of the original weapons belong to Delsaurians, but the access and trade agreement with Zen has allowed the weapon to spread throughout the stars to those in need of such a gun

About the Gutter-Rake

Long ago when the Delsaurians were enemies of Nepleslians in a brutal species war, the HCG was rumored to have been invented. It was intended to allow Delsaurians, who lacked much resources, to have a dependable and powerful weapon. Even though they lost, many HCG survived the war and the weapon's popularity became a must among their kind. Essentially a frontier weapon, the HCG saw many variations, redesigns, and modifications throughout the history of the species. It allowed Delsaurians to further tame their harsh world and, in the few instances of heading to the stars, to break in new ones alongside their Nepleslian allies.

In recent times, with the resurgence of the Delsaurian economy and the advancement of specialized suits and ships, the HCG was seen as something of tremendous value to a stale market. Zen Armaments was approached by the Delsaurians, who licensed the firearm's most central and stable design out to the company for production. In coordination with the world, Zen Armaments eventually brought together a melded design of Nepleslian functionality with the original Delsaurian design, further improving the HCG. In mid-YE 39, the gun finally passed final proceedings and was pushed throughout the market as a weapon that could endure the harshness of the Delsaurian homeworld with ease. The perfect weapon for those who lived in the worst or often sought it out among the stars.

Nomenclature Information

- Designer: Delsaurians and Zen Armaments
- Manufacturer: Zen Armaments
- Name: Hybrid Caliber Gun (HCG)
- Nomenclature: Ze-W5-1a
- Type: Kinetic
- Role: Hybrid Caliber Gun (High Power Rifle and Shotgun)
- Length: 32 inches
- Height: 5 inches
- Mass: 10 lbs / 4.5 kg

Appearance

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A stocky and rather functional-designed gun, the HCG starts from normally a wood-style design pistol grip, with a large and almost square-like receiver. While the weapon sports a normal trigger and very basic safety, one can spot a shotgun feed on the sides and top. The side slides, however, have a small latch to fix them open. Its pump is fairly large, running within the gap of the weapon's barrel guard, with a textured grip and hand-guard. The front of the gun is a blocky, heavy reinforced end, merging both parts of the barrel into one block for increased stability. The sights for the gun lie within a hump set at the top of this with a sloped end to the muzzle. When upscaled, the weapon's upper slide is removed and replaced with a sturdier top to the gun to better endure firing.

Discharge Information

- Muzzle Flash: A 2-inch diagonal cross of blue, with a pinpoint cone of white extending an inch forward from the center
- Retort: A loud click and an immediately harsh low-tone bark
- **Projectile/Beam Appearance:** If it's a shell, the projectile can be seen as a white fiery slug before rupture or, if it's a slug, during the entire flight. Otherwise, the projectile is traditionally invisible.
- Effective Range Shotgun ammunition can be effective at 50 meters with a shell, 150 meters with a slug, and 400 meters with rifle rounds.
- Rate of Fire: Roughly 30 shots per minute while hand-fed, roughly 50 shots using magazines per minute.
- Recoil: Minimal, 5 degrees upward

Ammunition

- Ammunition HCG Ammunition Types / Kinetic Rounds / Similar Ammunition
- Purpose: T3 or T4 (Depending on Variant)
- Round Capacity: 6 hand-fed shells OR 1 Magazine
- Round Capacity (Upscale): 4 shells

Gutter-Rake Ammunition Damage Quickchart			
Туре	Damage	Purpose	
12 Gauge HCG	Т3	Generic Buckshot	
.72 Caliber HCG	Т3	Large Caliber Anti-Personnel Round	

Upscaled Variant				
8 Gauge HCG	T4	Anti-PA Buckshot		

Weapon Mechanisms

- Firing Mechanism: Pump-Action
- **Loading:** The gun can either be hand-loaded or, if the side ports are locked open, loaded with a side-fit magazine into the gun.
- Mode Selector: Safety and "Dead" (Fire) simple slide-switch.
- Firing Modes: Pump Action-only
- Weapon Sight: A hump at the front end of the weapon with a pop-up projection sight.
- Attachment Hard Points: Side Mounts at the barrel, Bayonet / Flashlight tube at front, Stock Mount (sloped back)

Other

Below, one can find prices, parts, magazines and ammunition, and finally the replacement parts for the HCG.

Pricing

- Standard HCG: 800 DA
 - Upgrade to Upscaled: 150 DA
- Upscaled HCG: 900 DA

Replaceable Parts and Components

- New Pump-Grip: 50 DA
- Replacement Parts: Generally 20-100 DA, depending on damage to weapon
- 10-Shot Magazine for 12 Gauge/.72 Caliber: 80 DA

Optional Attachments

- Skeletal Stock Add-on: 100 DA
- Flashlight for Low Mount: 20 DA
- Bayonet for Low Mount (T2): 30 DA
- Universal Mount for Side Mounts: 50 DA

Ammunition

HCG Ammunition Price Quickchart			
Туре	Price (100 Round Box)		
12 Gauge HCG	120 DA		
.72 Caliber HCG	150 DA		
8 Gauge HCG	300 DA		

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