



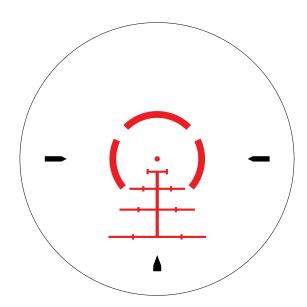
AR-BDC2 Reticle Manual





The Vortex AR-BDC2 Reticle

The Vortex®exclusive AR-BDC2 reticle facilitates rapid shooting at distances from 20 to 600 yards with popular .223/5.56mm and .308/7.62mm loads. This versatile reticle provides bullet drop compensation holdover points at 100 yard increments as well as 5 and 10 mph cross wind hold reference points.



Close-up View of Reticle

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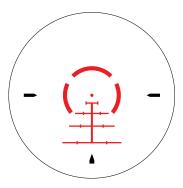


Using the Reticle for Bullet Drop Compensation

Standard BDC Technique

For best results, most 5.56mm/.223 caliber rifles can be zeroed in at 50 yards using the center dot. The 50 yard zero will closely correspond to the recommended 200 yard zero. 7.62mm/.308 caliber rifles can be initially zeroed at 30 yards, again closely corresponding to recommended 200 yard zero.

Once the rifle has been sighted in, the lower sub-crosshairs can be used as aiming points at the corresponding distances listed on page 5. For most popular rifles and loads, the sub-crosshairs will provide accuracy within 0–3 inches of your aiming point.



If you wish to get the very best accuracy from the AR-BDC2 reticle or work with loads and zero's other than those listed here, you can custom match the exact ballistics of your particular load to the drop hashmarks of the reticle using ballistic programs such as Vortex's LRBC (Long Range Ballistics Calculator).



Visit vortexoptics.com for the Vortex Long Range Ballistics Calculator.

Standard Bullet Drop for Popular 5.56 mm / .223 Loads

5.56 mm / .223 55 - 77 grain boat tail bullets 2700 - 3000 FPS muzzle velocity

Center dot zeroed 50/200 yards

Sub-crosshair	Distance	Bullet Drop
1st	300 Yards	7.5 Inches
2nd	400 Yards	23.5 Inches
3rd	500 Yards	50 Inches
4th	600 Yards	92 Inches

Standard Bullet Drop for Popular 7.62 mm / .308 Loads

7.62 mm/.308 Winchester 168 grain boat tail bullets 2650 FPS muzzle velocity

7.62 mm/.308 Winchester 175 grain boat tail bullets 2600 FPS muzzle velocity

Center dot zeroed 30/200 vards

Sub-crosshair	Distance	Bullet Drop
1st	285 Yards	7.2 Inches
2nd	385 Yards	22 Inches
3rd	485 Yards	47.4 Inches
4th	600 Yards	92 Inches

Note: It is important to understand that the previously-listed subtensions and yardages are designed to work with the riflescope set at the highest magnification. The center dot zeroed at 30/50/200 yards can always be used at any magnification.

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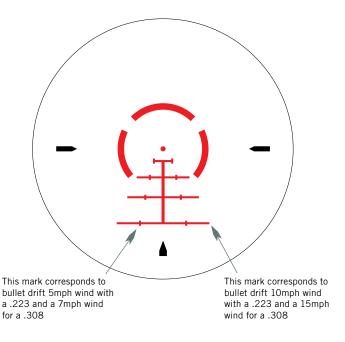


Using the Reticle for Wind Holds

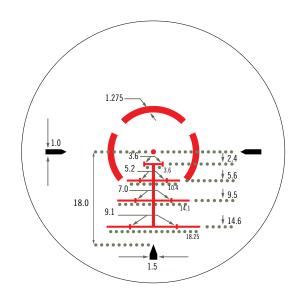
When using the sub-crosshairs below the center dot for bullet drop compensation, the horizontal sub-crosshair will also provide reference points for 5.56mm/.223 bullet wind drift in 5 and 10 mph crosswinds.

The small tick left and right of center approximately correspond to bullet drift in 5 mph winds, the ends of the horizontal sub-crosshair will approximately correspond to bullet drift in 10 mph winds.

Note - Due to the higher ballistic coefficients of 7.62mm/.308 bullets, marks will more closely correspond to bullet drift in 7 and 15 mph cross winds.



AR-BDC2 Reticle Subtensions



Notes: Subtensions measured in MOA. ⊘= Diameter

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