

## Re: B&H has PST's...oh, sorry, they don't...

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"Mark Rosengarten" <isobutane@aol.comdelete> wrote in message  
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> *I have been looking for a Coronado PST for the last two weeks, and I  
placed an  
> order with Orion that is scheduled to ship on August 8th. A friend of  
mine was  
> also looking for one, especially after seeing what the PST can do with the  
SM40  
> attached to it.  
> I have been checking B&H Photo's web site for the last week after hearing  
that  
> some people have been getting them from there. Last night the site  
finally  
> listed the PST as being "In Stock". This held true this morning as well,  
so I  
> called B&H to see if they were in fact in stock. I was told that there  
were  
> two in stock, and I told them to hold them for me. They gave me an order  
> number and I called my friend. We took the 80 mile drive down to  
Manhattan,  
> found a parking space and went in to B&H Photo. We went to the counter of  
the  
> binoculars and telescopes department and gave the order number. The  
manager  
> said that there none in stock. We were there for fifteen minutes while he  
> fiddled with the computer more and we also found out that they had only  
> reserved one instead of two...but there were no PST's anywhere in the  
store, so  
> our order could not be filled. No one ever went in the back to check  
visually  
> that they weren't there. The guy who is their "buyer" was out today  
(coming  
> back in on Sunday). We were asked to leave our phone numbers and that  
they  
> would call us back and that they would ship them out to us for free (\$11  
> shipping usually) when they got them in. Completely aggravated, we left  
B&H*

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- > *and came back home. 160 miles, tolls and gas later, we are still without PSTs.*
- > *I am done with B&H Photo as a source for my gear. I will wait for Orion to*
- > *ship theirs. Now hopefully, they will get their shipment of PST's on time! :)*
- > *I guess the axiom that good things come to those who WAIT is probably right.*

I've had trouble with B&H myself within the last year. Mainly, they refused to ship any other way than what they specified and, of course, most of these firms overcharge shipping costs to make up for discounts, a trick I see through on a regular basis. So, if they don't have actual shipping options, I avoid them.... and B&H was one of those I decided to avoid.

Ted

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