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# Canada's New Firearms Control Law

**WEAPONS  
PROHIBITED  
AND RESTRICTED  
BY ORDER IN  
COUNCIL**



**AIMING  
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SAFETY**

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# **Some weapons are now prohibited or restricted by Order in Council.**

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The law authorizes the Governor General in Council to declare some non-sporting firearms to be prohibited or restricted weapons. Certain types of parts, components, accessories and ammunition can also be prohibited. This authority is intended to be used to control types of weapons or components which represent a threat to public safety.

The Orders in Council, which will take effect October 1, 1992 (except as otherwise noted), deal with three classes of weapons. **Common hunting and sporting firearms and ammunition are not affected by these Orders in Council.**

## **1. Prohibited weapons (with "grandfather" clause)**

**Effective July 27, 1992**

**Registration deadline October 1, 1992**

**(Prohibited Weapons Order No. 12)**

Three assault pistols and certain carbines become prohibited. Existing owners are allowed to retain them as long as these weapons were in their possession on July 27, 1992. These will be registered as "restricted weapons". Once existing owners die or dispose of the weapons, they revert to prohibited weapons status and must be deactivated or disposed of. They cannot be transferred. People in lawful possession on July 27 can apply to register their firearms provided an application is filed by October 1, 1992.

This Order applies to the semi-automatic versions of the following firearms:

• Sterling MK-6 carbine • Steyr AUG rifle • MAC

and Ingram type pistols • Partisan Avenger Auto Pistol • UZI series.



## **2. Prohibited weapons (without "grandfather" clause)**

**Effective October 1, 1992  
(Prohibited Weapons Order No. 11)**

A list of "assault pistols", "combat shotguns", .50 calibre sniper rifles, and other military-type firearms are classified as prohibited weapons. There can be no retention of these weapons after October 1, 1992; they must be disposed of, surrendered or deactivated by that date.

This Order applies to the following firearms:

### **Shotguns**

• Franchi SPAS 12 and LAW 12 • Striker 12 and "Streetsweeper" • USAS-12 Auto shotgun.

### **Rifles and carbines**

• American 180 Auto Carbine and variants  
• Barrett "Light Fifty" Model 82A1, Model 90 Rifle and variants • Calico M-900, M-951, M-100 and M-105 and variants • Encom MK-1V, MP-9, MP-45 and variants • FAMAS Rifle, MAS 223, FAMAS Export, FAMAS Civil and Mitchell MAS/22 and variants • Feather AT-9 Semi-Auto, Feather AT-22 Auto Carbines and variants • Federal XC-450 Auto Rifle, XC-900, XC-220 and variants • Gepard Long Range Sniper Rifle and variants • Heckler and Koch (HK) Model G11 and variants • Illinois Arms Co. Model 180 Auto Carbine • Iver Johnson AMAC Long Range Rifle and variants • McMillan M87, M87R, M88 and variants • Pauza Specialties P50 Rifle and P50 Carbine and variants  
• Research Armament Industries (RAI) Model 500 Rifle and variants • Spectre Auto Carbine

and variants • US Arms PMAI "Assault" 22 Rifle and variants • Weaver Arms Nighthawk Carbine and variants.



Calico M-900

### **Assault pistols**

• Bushmaster Auto Pistol and variants • Calico M-110, M-950 and variants • Encom MK-IV, MP-9, MP-45 and variants • Federal XP-450, XP-900 Auto Pistols and variants • Goncz High-Tech Long Pistol and variants • Heckler and Koch (HK) SP89 Auto Pistol and variants • Intratec TEC-9 Auto Pistol, TEC-9M, TEC-9MS, TEC-22T, TEC-22TM and variants • Iver Johnson Enforcer Model 3000 Auto Pistol, Plainfield Super Enforcer Carbine and variants • Leader Mark 5 Auto Pistol and variants • Skorpion Auto Pistol and variants • Spectre Auto Pistol and variants • Sterling Mk 7, Mk 7C4, Mk 7C8 Pistols and variants • Universal Enforcer Model 3000 Auto Carbine, Model 3010N, Model 3015G, Model 3020TRB, Model 3025TCO and variants • US Arms PMAIP "Assault" 22 Pistol and variants.

### **3. "SSS-1 Stinger"**

#### **(Prohibited Weapons Order No. 8)**

The "SSS-1 Stinger" is a firearm designed to look like a fountain pen; it was prohibited by Order in 1979. The original Order only applied to versions produced in .22 calibre. The amendment expands its scope to other calibres.

### **4. Ammunition**

#### **(Prohibited Weapons Order No. 10)**

Certain cartridges are declared to be prohibited weapons. Common hunting or sporting cartridges, such as the .223 or 7.62 x 39 mm rifle cartridges are not affected. The ammunition prohibited includes armour-piercing handgun cartridges and other military types, such as

explosive or incendiary ammunition and shotgun cartridges containing "flechettes" instead of ordinary pellets.

## **5. Accessories and components**

### **(Prohibited Weapons Order No. 9)**

One accessory and one component are prohibited. The component is a "bull-pup" stock, used in modern assault rifles and shotguns to reduce length. A firearm with a "bull-pup" stock may be kept, but the stock must be disposed of and replaced. The accessory is a type of trigger enhancement device designed to fire semi-automatic firearms at machine gun speeds. This is done by rapidly moving the trigger back and forth, as the gun reloads and fires.

## **6. Restricted weapons**

### **Effective October 1, 1992**

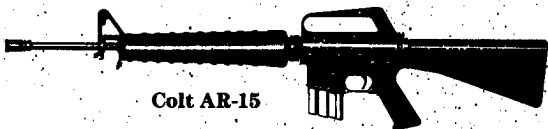
### **(Restricted Weapons Order)**

Some semi-automatic assault rifles and similar firearms are declared to be restricted weapons. This requires registration and precludes use for hunting, but allows owners to retain and transfer affected weapons. It allows continued use of these firearms in sporting applications (i.e. target-shooting) and for gun collections. This Order applies to the following rifles and carbines:

- AK 47 Family and variants • Armalite AR-180 Sporter Carbine and variants • Beretta AR-70, BM-59 and variants • Bushmaster Auto Rifle and variants • Cetme Sporter and variants
- Colt AR-15 and variants • Commando Arms Carbine • Daewoo K1, K1A1, K2, Max 1, Max 2, AR-100, AR110C and variants • Demro TAC-1M, XF-7 Wasp Carbine and variants • Eagle "Apache" Carbine and variants • FN 308 Model 44 and variants • FNC-11, 22, 33 and variants • Galil and variants • Goncz High-Tech Carbine and variants • Heckler and Koch MP-5 Submachine Gun (semi-automatic version), MP-5 Carbine, HK-91, HK-33 Rifles and other models • J&R Eng M-68, PJK-M-LF, Wilkinson "Terry" Carbine and variants • Leader Mark 5

Auto Rifle and variants • SIG AMT, PE-57 • SIG SG-550/SG-551 • Springfield Armoury BM59 and variants • Springfield Armoury SAR48 and other models • Thompson Submachine Gun (semi-automatic version) and variants.

Existing Orders covering the High Standard Model 10, Series "A" or "B", FN-FAL or "Fabrique Nationale fusil automatique léger", and any reproductions, were merged into this new Order.



## **7. Stun guns**

### **(Prohibited Weapons Order No. 3)**

The original Order applied to the "Taser Public Defender" and similar devices. It was amended on July 10, 1992 to ensure that all "stun guns" fell within the scope of the Order. Long-handled cattle-prods are exempted.

## **8. Weapons previously prohibited by Order in Council**

- Tear gas, Mace or other gas, or any liquid, spray, powder or other substance that is capable of injuring, immobilizing or otherwise incapacitating any person.
- Any instrument or device commonly known as "nunchaku", "shuriken", "manrikigusari" or "kusari".
- Any finger ring that has one or more blades or sharp objects.
- The device known as the "Constant Companion", being a belt containing a blade capable of being withdrawn from the belt, with the buckle of the belt forming a handle for the blade, and any other similar device.
- The device commonly known as a "Spiked Wristband", being a wristband to which a spike or blade is affixed, and any other similar device.
- The device commonly known as a "Yaqua Blowgun", being a tube or pipe designed for the purpose of shooting arrows or

darts by the breath, and any other similar device. • The device commonly known as a "Kiyoga Baton" or "Steel Cobra" or "Morning Star" or any other similar device. • The device known as "Brass Knuckles" or any other similar device.

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## **Procedures for the disposal or registration of firearms**

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All items designated as prohibited weapons may be turned in legally up to October 1, 1992. As well, weapons which became restricted or "grandfathered" must be registered by October 1, 1992. Anyone wishing to dispose of a prohibited weapon should contact their local firearms registrar or police service.

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*For further information on these weapons and particular variants, or to obtain copies of this brochure and the document entitled "Weapons Prohibited and Restricted by Order in Council Reference Manual", contact your local firearms registrar or police service or the Office of the Chief Provincial or Territorial Firearms Officer.*

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