

U.S. Department of Justice  
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

## Release and Receipt of Imported Firearms, Ammunition and Implements of War

(See Instructions on Back)

**Section I - Importation Information** (Use a separate ATF Form 6A (5330.3C) to describe articles imported under each permit. Also, use a separate form for each shipment under the same permit.)

1. Name and Address of Importer		2. Name and Address of Foreign Seller	
		3. Name and Address of Foreign Shipper	
4. Federal License No. (If any)	Expiration Date	5. Country Where Manufactured	
6. Import Permit No. (When importation authorized by permit)	7. Telephone No.	8. Gross Value of Shipment (In U.S. dollars)	

### 9. Shipment of Firearms, Ammunition and/or Implements of War

Number and Kinds of Packages <i>a</i>	Description (name of manufacturer, type of firearm, model, caliber, gauge or size, serial number, type of ammunition, e.g., ball, incendiary, wadcutter, etc.; for defense articles, the Category of the U.S. Munitions Import List in 27 CFR Part 447 to which they belong) <i>b</i>	Quantity Each Type <i>c</i>

### Section II - Certification of Release From U.S. Customs and Border Protection

10. Port of Entry	11. Customs Entry or ID No.	12. Type of Entry <input type="checkbox"/> Consumption <input type="checkbox"/> Warehouse <input type="checkbox"/> Informal	13. Date Released
14. I certify that the above articles were authorized for importation by the Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and were released from the custody of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection or were authorized to be removed from a Customs bonded warehouse or foreign trade zone. Import Permit Number:			
15. Signature of Customs and Border Protection Official	16. Title	17. Date	

### Section III - Verification of Importation (completed by licensed importers only)

18. I have examined the above shipment and found it to:

- Contain the firearms, ammunition and/or implements of war in the exact quantity and as described in Item 9 above, or
- Contain the following discrepancies:

I declare under the penalties provided by law, that this verification of importation is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief and that each firearm is marked and can be identified as required by 27 CFR Part 478.

19. Signature of Importer	20. Title or Status (Individual, member of firm; if officer of corporation, give title)	21. Date
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## Instructions

### Instructions for Federally Licensed and/or Registered Importers.

1. ATF Form 6A (5330.3C) is required for every importation of firearm(s), ammunition, and/or implements of war, with certain exceptions listed in 27 CFR Parts 447 and 478.
2. **Section I.** Importation Information. To obtain release of firearm(s), ammunition, and/or implements of war from the custody of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, the importer must complete Section I of the form, in duplicate, and present one copy to U.S. Customs and Border Protection along with his import permit, ATF Form 6 Part I (5330.3A). If the import includes a large number of firearms for which the serial numbers are not known at the time of import, the serial numbers must be reported in Section III of the form (*see below*) within 15 days after import.

If the import is for firearms, their parts or components, or ammunition, the importer also must present to U.S. Customs and Border Protection a copy of the export license authorizing the export of the article or articles from the exporting country. If the exporting country does not require issuance of an export license, the importer instead must present to U.S. Customs and Border Protection a certification, under penalty of perjury, to that effect.

3. **Section II.** Certification of Release from U.S. Customs and Border Protection. The U.S. Customs and Border Protection official should complete Section II of this form if he is satisfied that the shipment of firearm(s), ammunition, and/or implements of war was authorized by the Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The U.S. Customs and Border Protection official should return the import permit, ATF Form 6 - Part I (5330.3A) to the importer and mail ATF Form 6A, with Section II completed, to the address specified below.
4. **Section III.** Verification of Importation. Within 15 days after the article(s) has been released from U.S. Customs and Border Protection, the importer must complete Section III of the duplicate copy of ATF Form 6A and mail it to the address specified below.

Title 27 CFR Part 478 requires that within 15 days after release from U.S. Customs and Border Protection, each firearm imported shall be identified by engraving or casting on it the following: (1) serial number, (2) model, (3) caliber or gauge, (4) name of manufacturer and country where manufactured, and (5) the name, city, and State of the importer. If firearms serial numbers were not known or reported at the time of import, the importer must report those serial numbers in an attachment to block 18. He also must post in his permanent records all required information regarding the importation (27 CFR 478.112).

### Instructions for Federal Firearms Licensees other than Importers.

1. ATF Form 6A is required for every importation of firearm(s), ammunition, and/or implements of war, with certain exceptions listed in 27 CFR Parts 447 and 478.
2. **Section I.** Importation Information. To obtain release of firearm(s), ammunition, and/or implements of war from the custody of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, the licensee must complete Section I of the form and present it to U.S. Customs and Border Protection along with his import permit, ATF Form 6-Part I (5330.3A).
3. **Section II.** Certification of Release from U.S. Customs and Border Protection. The U.S. Customs and Border Protection official should complete Section II of this form if he is satisfied that the shipment of firearm(s), ammunition, and/or implements of war was authorized by the Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The U.S. Customs and Border Protection official should return the import permit, ATF Form 6 - Part I (5330.3A) to the licensee and mail ATF Form 6A, with Section II completed, to the address specified below.

### Instructions for Members of the U.S. Armed Forces

1. ATF Form 6A is required for the importation of firearms or ammunition authorized for importation on ATF Form 6 -Part II (5330.3B).

2. **Section I.** Importation Information. To obtain release of firearms or ammunition from the custody of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, the member of the United States Armed Forces must complete Section I of the form and present it to U.S. Customs and Border Protection along with his import permit, ATF Form 6-Part II (5330.3B).
3. **Section II.** Certification of Release from U.S. Customs and Border Protection. The U.S. Customs and Border Protection official should complete Section II of this form if he is satisfied that the shipment of firearms or ammunition was authorized by the Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The U.S. Customs and Border Protection official should return the import permit, ATF Form 6-Part II (5330.3B) to the member of the Armed Forces and mail ATF Form 6A, with Section II completed, to the address specified below.

### Instructions for Persons not Licensed by or Registered with ATF

1. ATF Form 6A is required for the importation of firearm(s), ammunition, and/or implements of war, with certain exceptions listed in 27 CFR Parts 447 and 478.
2. **Section I.** Importation Information. To obtain release of firearm(s), ammunition, and/or implements of war from the custody of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, the individual must complete Section I of the form and present it to U.S. Customs and Border Protection along with his import permit, ATF Form 6-Part I (5330.3A).
3. **Section II.** Certification of Release from U.S. Customs and Border Protection. The U.S. Customs and Border Protection official should complete Section II of this form if he is satisfied that the shipment of firearms, ammunition, and/or implements of war was authorized by the Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The U.S. Customs and Border Protection official should return the import permit, ATF Form 6-Part I (5330.3A) to the individual and mail ATF Form 6A, with Section II completed, to the address specified below.

### Record Retention Requirement

Federal firearms licensees must retain this form as part of their ATF required records for at least the 20-year period prescribed by 27 CFR 478.129(c). Importers registered under the Arms Export Control Act who do not also hold a Federal firearms license must retain this form as part of their ATF required records for at least the 6-year period prescribed by 27 CFR 447.34(b).

### Privacy Act Information

The following information is provided pursuant to Section 3 of the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. Section 552a(e)(3)).

1. **Authority.** Solicitation of this information is made pursuant to the Gun Control Act of 1968 (18 U.S.C. Chapter 44), and Section 38 of the Arms Export Control Act of 1976 (22 U.S.C. Section 2778). Disclosure of this information by the applicant is mandatory for the release and receipt of imported firearms, ammunition, and implements of war.
2. **Purpose.** To determine that the importation of firearms, ammunition, and implements of war has taken place, to verify that the item(s) was (were) released to and received by the importer or his agent, and to verify that the items released were the items listed on the application for importation.
3. **Routine Uses.** The information will be used by ATF to make the determinations set forth in paragraph 2. In addition, the information may be disclosed to other Federal, State, foreign and local law enforcement and regulatory agency personnel to verify information on the application and to aid in the performance of their duties with respect to the regulation of firearms, ammunition, and implements of war. The information may further be disclosed to the Department of Justice if it appears that the furnishing of false information may constitute a violation of Federal law.
4. **Effects of not supplying the information requested.** Failure to supply complete information will delay processing and may cause denial of the application.

**Paperwork Reduction Act Notice**

This request is in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This information collection is mandatory pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 925, 26 U.S.C. 5844, and 22 U.S.C. 2778. The purpose of this information collection is to allow ATF to determine that the article(s) described on the form have been released by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to the importer and to verify that the article(s) authorized to be imported were received by the importer.

The estimated average burden associated with this collection information is 24 minutes per respondent or recordkeeper, depending on individual circumstances. Comments concerning the accuracy of this burden estimate and suggestions for reducing this burden should be directed to the Reports Management Officer, Document Services Branch, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Washington, DC 20226.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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**Mailing Information**

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