

**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES  
Supporting Statement  
OMB #1140-0005**

**Application and Permit for Importation of Firearms, Ammunition, and  
Defense Articles - ATF Form 6 - Part I (5330.3A)**

A. Justification

1. Importation of firearms, ammunition, and defense articles into the United States is subject to the provision of 18 U.S.C. 925(d) and (e), 22 U.S.C. 2778, and 26 U.S.C. 5844. Except as provided, or specifically authorized by the Attorney General, the importation of articles coming within the purview of these statutes is restricted or prohibited. In general, the importation of firearm is permitted only if the firearms meet certain criteria and the Attorney General authorizes the importation.
2. The data provided on the Application and Permit for Importation of Firearms, Ammunition, and Defense Articles - ATF Form 6 - Part I (5330.3A) allows ATF to determine if the article(s) described on the application qualifies for importation by the importer. It also serves as authorization for the importer. The approved form also serves as authorization for U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to allow the listed articles entry into the United States. Many importers use the form for internal accounting purposes.

Information may be disclosed to other Federal, State, foreign, and local law enforcement and regulatory agency personnel, to verify information on the application. Disclosure also aids them in the performance of their duties regarding the enforcement and regulation of firearms and/or ammunition, where such disclosure is not prohibited by law. The licensee is required to retain this form permanently.

3. The form is available on the ATF website [www.atf.gov](http://www.atf.gov) and it is fillable. The form may also be printed and mailed to ATF. The form may also be completed, signed, and submitted electronically to ATF via the eForms system. The link may be found at [www.atfonline.gov](http://www.atfonline.gov). It is estimated that 3,700 of the respondents complete this form electronically. The remaining respondents mail the form to ATF.
4. ATF uses a uniform subject classification system to identify duplication and to ensure that any similar information already available, cannot be used or modified for use for the purpose of this information collection.
5. ATF does not use any method to minimize the burden to small business, since all business owner, are required by statute to complete this form, regardless of their size of their operation.

6. Without this information collection there would be an increase in the illegal importation of firearms, ammunition, and defense articles into the United States. This form serves as authorization to import such articles.
7. There are no special circumstances as this information collection is conducted in a manner consistent with 5 CFR 1320.6.
8. No comments were received during either the 60-day or the 30-day Federal Register Notice period.
9. No decision of payment or gift is associated with this collection.
10. Federal firearms licensees keep this information in locked files in a secured location. Confidentiality is not assured.
11. No questions of a sensitive nature are asked.
12. The number of respondents associated with this collection is 10,000. Each respondent completes the form one time. The total number of responses is 10,000. The time taken to complete the form is 39 minutes. Therefore, the total annual burden is 6,500.
13. Respondents who do not file electronically must mail the form to ATF. Therefore, the cost to the respondents who choose not to file electronically is postage. Of the 10,000 respondents that complete the form, 3,700 file electronically. The postage cost is based on 6,300 respondents x \$.49 postage rate = \$3,087.00
14. The total annual Federal government cost for printing and stocking forms at the ATF Distribution Center is as follows:

Printing	\$6,000.00
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15. There are no adjustments associated with this information collection.
16. The results of this collection will not be published.
17. ATF does not request approval to omit display of the expiration date of OMB approval for this collection.
18. There are no exceptions to the certification statement.

**B. Collections of Information Employing Statistical Methods**

This information request does not employ statistical methods.