

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

**Application/Permit to Import Firearms,
Ammunition, and Defense Articles**

For use by members of the United States Armed Forces (submit electronically or in paper form)

Permit No.

For ATF Use Only

Valid for 12 months after the approved date (item 20 below)

Section I – Application – For Applicants

1. Return approved permit to (enter name, complete address, and email address, if different from applicant's)	2. Applicant's name and address (including ZIP code)
	Telephone number
	Email address
3. Foreign seller name and address, if applicable	4. Foreign shipper name and address, if applicable
5. Present or last foreign duty station	6. Exporting country
7. Description of firearm(s), ammunition, and defense article(s) (for firearm(s), enter (SG)-shotgun; (RI)-rifle; (PI)-pistol; (RE)-revolver; (C)- combination)	

	Manufacturer's name and address (city and state or city and country)	Type (frame, receiver, SG, RI, PI, RE, C)	Caliber, gauge or size	Quantity (each type)	Unit cost (U.S. currency)	U.S. Munitions Import List category	Model (required)	Barrel length (inches)	Overall length (inches)	Serial No.	New (N) or used (U)
	a.	b.	c.	d.	e.	f.	g.	h.	i.	j.	k.
☐ Firearm(s)	See attachment										
☐ Defense article(s)	See attachment						Description				
☐ Ammunition	See attachment	Core material (lead, steel, etc.)	(Ball, wad-cutter, shot, etc.)				8. Specific purpose for importing (use additional sheets, if necessary)				

9. Are you now or have you been on active duty outside the United States within the 60-day period immediately preceding this intended import? ☐ Yes ☐ No	10. Place of residence in the United States (complete address)	
11. Date of reassignment to duty station within United States	12. Branch of service	13. Date of birth

Under penalties of law, I declare that (1) I have examined this application, including the documents submitted in support of it, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete; (2) transporting, receiving, or possessing the firearm(s), ammunition, and/or defense article(s) described above would not constitute a violation of the Gun Control Act of 1968 (18 U.S.C. chapter 44) or of any state law or local ordinance at my place of residence; (3) the firearm(s), ammunition, and/or defense article(s) described above is/are for my personal use; and (4) no firearm described above is a surplus military firearm or a firearm as defined by 26 U.S.C. § 5845(a).

14. Applicant's name (printed)	15. Applicant's signature	16. Rank or grade	17. Date
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Section II – For ATF Use Only (please make no entries in this section)

18. The application has been examined and importing the firearm(s), ammunition, and/or defense article(s) described herein is:	
☐ Approved ☐ Partially approved for the reason(s) indicated on attached letter ☐ Disapproved for the reason(s) indicated on attached letter ☐ Withdrawn by applicant without action	☐ Returned without action for additional information ☐ No permit required ☐ Conditionally approved per attached letter ☐ Withdrawn by ATF
19. Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives' signature	20. Date

Firearm(s) (continued)

Manufacturer's name and address (city and state or city and country)	Type (frame, receiver, SG, RL, PL, RE, C)	Caliber, gauge or size	Quantity (each type)	Unit cost (U.S. currency)	U.S. Munitions Import List category	Model (required)	Barrel length (inches)	Overall length (inches)	Serial No.	New (N) or used (U)
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DO NOT USE										
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DO NOT USE										

Manufacturer's name and address (city and state or city and country)	Description	Caliber, gauge or size	Quantity (each type)	Unit cost (U.S. currency)	U.S. Munitions Import List category
a.	b.	c.	d.	e.	f.
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DO NOT USE					
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DO NOT USE					

Ammunition (continued)

Manufacturer's name and address (city and state or city and country)	Core material (lead, steel, etc.)	Type (ball, wad-cutter, shot, etc.)	Caliber, gauge or size	Quantity (each type)	Unit cost (U.S. currency)	U.S. Munitions Import List category
a.	b.	c.	d.	e.	f.	g.
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DO NOT USE						
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DO NOT USE						

Instruction Sheet for ATF Form 5330.3B ("Form 6, part II")

(detach these instructions before submitting application)

General Information

1. The Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, may issue a permit authorizing any military member of the U.S. Armed Forces who is currently or has been on active duty outside the United States within the 60-day period immediately preceding, to import a firearm, ammunition, and/or defense article into the United States to the member's place of residence, provided:
 - (a) That such firearm or ammunition is generally recognized as particularly suitable for sporting purposes; and if a firearm, that such firearm is neither surplus military nor a firearm as defined in 26 U.S.C. § 5848(a); and
 - (b) that such firearm, ammunition, and/or defense article is intended for the personal use of such member; and
 - (c) that importing as intended would not constitute a violation of any provision of the Gun Control Act of 1968 (18 U.S.C. chapter 44) or of any state law or local ordinance at the place of the member's residence.
2. A military member who does not meet the above criteria may engage the services of a federal firearms licensee to import for them, provided that the firearm and/or ammunition is importable.
3. The ATF Form 5330.3B ("Form 6, part II") may be used only by qualifying military members. All other persons, including federal firearms licensees, government civilians, contractors, and military dependents, must use an ATF Form 5330.3A ("Form 6, part I") to apply for permission to import a firearm, ammunition, and/or defense article.
4. A permit is not required for a firearm or ammunition brought into the United States or any possession thereof by any person who can establish to the satisfaction of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) that such firearm or ammunition was previously taken out of the United States or any possession thereof by such person.
5. A permit is not required to bring a firearm, unless defined as a firearm in 26 U.S.C. § 5845(a), ammunition, and/or defense article, from any U.S. possession/territory (e.g., Puerto Rico, Guam, Mariana Islands, etc.), into one of the fifty states or another U.S. possession/territory.
6. Questions regarding applicability of federal excise taxes on firearms and/or ammunition should be directed to the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB). Questions regarding applicability of import duties should be directed to CBP.

Preparing ATF Form 5330.3B ("Form 6, part II")

7. Item 1. Name and address of person designated, in writing, by a military member to release the firearm(s), ammunition, and/or defense article(s) from CBP custody or to handle the shipment from the duty station outside the United States.
8. Item 2. A military member currently stationed outside of the United States must list their foreign address, which includes APO/FPO/DPO addresses.
9. Item 3. If no foreign seller, enter "N/A."
10. Item 4. If no foreign shipper, enter "N/A."
11. Item 7. The application must show a detailed description of each firearm, ammunition, and/or defense article you intend to import. The description must establish that the firearm or ammunition is generally recognized as particularly suitable for sporting purposes and meets the other importing criteria. You may include more than one firearm, ammunition, and/or defense article on a single application. Failing to supply complete information will delay processing and may cause ATF to deny the application.
12. Item 8. The only permissible purpose for importing is the military member's "personal use." Any military member who wishes to import a firearm or ammunition for any other purpose must utilize the services of a federal firearms licensee.
13. Item 11. Date the military member was or will be reassigned to a duty station within the United States and not the date military member was assigned to the foreign duty station. If you are currently at a foreign duty station, as indicated in item 5, provide the date of anticipated reassignment.
14. Item 15. You may complete and submit the application electronically. If completing by hand or submitting in paper form, all entries except the signature must be typed. Signature blocks may be signed in ink or electronically signed.

Submitting ATF Form 5330.3B ("Form 6, part II")

15. You should submit the application approximately 60 days prior to the intended import date. Submit the application by email to Imports@atf.gov or by mail to:
Director
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives
244 Needy Road
Martinsburg, WV 25405
Attention: Firearms and Explosives Imports Branch
16. If you have questions, contact the Imports Branch at (304) 616-4550 or Imports@atf.gov.

Approval

17. The Director will approve the application or advise the applicant of the reason(s) for disapproving it. In some cases, it may be necessary to request additional information or to have the firearm or ammunition sent to ATF to examine and determine its importing status.
18. The approved application will serve as the permit to import the firearm(s), ammunition, and/or defense article(s) described on the form and is valid for 12 months from the date it's approved, in item 20.
19. After approving, the Director will retain one copy and forward the original to the member or their designated agent(s).
20. No amendments or alterations may be made to an approved permit, except by the Director.

Release from CBP

21. Present ATF Form 5330.3A, with section I completed, the approved permit, and any other necessary documents, to the CBP officials handling the imported items to release the firearm(s), ammunition, and/or defense article(s) from their custody.

Privacy Act Information

This information is provided pursuant to sections 3 and 7(b) of the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. § 552a(e)(3)):

Authority: ATF is authorized to solicit this information under 18 U.S.C. § 925(a)(4), 26 U.S.C. § 5844, and 22 U.S.C. § 2778 in support of its responsibilities related to U.S. Armed Forces lawfully importing firearms, ammunition, and defense articles. Implementing regulations are at 27 CFR § 478.114.

Purpose: ATF uses the information collected on ATF Form 6 - Part II (5330.3B), Application and Permit for Importation of Firearms, Ammunition, and Defense Articles, to determine whether a member of the U.S. Armed Forces may import the listed articles under applicable federal laws. If approved, the form serves as a permit authorizing the person to import the described items.

Routine uses: The information may be disclosed as permitted by the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. § 552a) and in accordance with System of Records Notice (SORN) JUSTICE/ATF-008 – Regulatory Enforcement Record System. It may be shared with federal, state, local, tribal, and foreign law enforcement or regulatory agencies to verify the information provided, assist in lawful enforcement and compliance activities, or use in legal proceedings where authorized. The information may also be disclosed to the Department of Justice for potential violations of federal law.

Disclosure: Providing this information is mandatory under 18 U.S.C. § 925 and the implementing regulations. Failure to provide complete and accurate information may delay processing of the application or result in ATF denying the import request.

Paperwork Reduction Act Notice

This request 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 firearm(s), ammunition, and/or defense article(s) described on the application qualify to be imported by the applicant, and to then permit the applicant to import the items, if approved.

The estimated average burden associated with this information collection is 30 minutes per respondent or record-keeper, depending on individual circumstances. Comments concerning the accuracy of this burden estimate and suggestions for reducing this burden should be addressed to Reports Management Officer, Document Services, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

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