

PI - Firearms and accessories policy - Prohibited and Restricted Items

<h2>GUIDE.SUMMARY Firearms can't be listed on eBay due to strict federal, state, and international laws banning the sale of these items. Listings for some firearm parts and accessories are allowed as long as sellers follow our guidelines. What is the policy? The following are not allowed:

 Firearms of any type

Parts and accessories for assault weapons, including blueprints and instructions

Any part or accessory in violation of local law Firearm receivers, even if

incomplete Ammunition for firearms, including bullets, cartridges, casings, shells,

and hulls The following firearm accessories are not allowed:

Frames, kits used to create a firearm, flash suppressors, silencers, sears, high capacity

magazines that accept more than 10 rounds (even if they have been modified to accept fewer),

magazine extenders that increase capacity to more than 10 rounds, bump fire stocks, grenade

launchers, and pistol conversion kits The following accessories for semiautomatic

pistols are not allowed: Barrel shrouds, forward pistol grips, and threaded

barrels Listings for firearms parts and accessories that we allow must follow

these guidelines: The listing must clearly identify the part or accessory being sold

as well as the type of firearm it fits (type can mean general use and not necessarily brand or

manufacturer). For example, This part can be used with bolt-action rifles." The item

must be listed on the US site (eBay.com) and offer domestic shipping only The

item must comply with California state

law - opens in new window or tab Examples of allowed firearm parts

and accessories: En bloc clips Barrels (exceptions: shotgun

barrels less than 18 inches and rifle barrels less than 16 inches are prohibited)

Bolts Choke tubes Cylinders Firing

[pins](#) [Hammers](#) [Slides](#) [Trigger](#)

[assemblies](#) [Why does eBay have this policy? We take our role in community safety seriously, and in accordance with government regulations and international laws, we prohibit the sale of certain weapons on eBay.](#) [GUIDE.TALKING_POINTS](#)

[2nd amendment](#) [Please understand that eBay takes no position on the gun control issue. We've implemented our policy due to the complex and varied regulations governing the sale of these items. Something that is legal in one jurisdiction may be illegal in another. To prevent members from inadvertently violating a firearms law, we have banned listings for all parts and accessories related to assault weapons.](#) [Much like a shopping mall, we offer many items from a number of categories that allow members to trade just about anything. However, due to various laws pertaining to the sale of firearms, eBay does not allow these items to be sold on the site.](#) [You would not hold it against a department store for their inability to provide you with firearms-related products due to federal or state regulations. Distribution via any channel isn't the intention of the 2nd Amendment.](#)

[Blank firing guns](#) [eBay has made a decision not to allow blank guns on the site, regardless of Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives approval.](#) [Gun broker](#) [Even if you are licensed to buy/sell firearms, eBay does not allow firearms to be listed on the site.](#)

[name="searstalkingpoint">Sears](#) [It is difficult to tell the difference between sears that enable guns to be automatic and sears that are for regular firearms.](#) [For safety concerns and in order to follow laws and regulations, we restrict sears from being sold on eBay. We do not want to risk allowing a sear for an assault weapon on the site.](#) [name="leomagtalkingpoint">Law enforcement magazines](#) [The notation "Law Enforcement Only" indicates that the item may be a high-capacity magazine.](#)

[name="frameforblackpowder">Receiver / frame for black powder gun](#)

eBay treats all guns the same, including curio and relic guns and those not defined as firearms by the ATF. Receivers / frames for these guns are treated the same under our policy. Parts required to fire a gun

- We've decided that some firearm parts are not right for our marketplace or our business. You can still purchase these items from other businesses in the U.S.
- While all parts of a gun are required for it to function properly, the "essential" parts are generally required for the shooting of a projectile. Part and accessory
- An item that attaches to the gun (for example, scope, sight, stock, and grip) is considered a part. An item that is used with a gun (for example, carry case, magazine pouch, and holster) is considered an accessory. Collectible While we do recognize that some items are collectible in nature, the original intended purpose of these items is problematic for eBay. As a required component for the operation of a firearm, the sale of ammunition or ammunition components is restricted in the same manner as actual firearms on eBay Some jurisdictions in the United States restrict online ammunition purchases. Legal accessory, not a firearm eBay is a marketplace for the sale of a large variety of products. While some items may be legal for a person to purchase or possess in their area, these same items may be against the law in another area. As such, eBay's firearms policy may be stricter than your local laws. Assault weapon
- Items listed on eBay must comply with California law on the sale of weapons. Therefore, if a weapon qualifies as an assault weapon under California law, then it is considered an assault weapon. Assault weapon accessory Listings that reference assault weapons cannot be listed. This includes references in the title, item specifics, description, or image. If the part was designed for an assault weapon or the listing is hinting that it fits an assault weapon, for example showing the part on an assault weapon in the image, then it is not allowed. If the packaging or manufacturer name for the item calls out assault weapons, then the item should not be listed on eBay. This policy is in place to keep the eBay community safe.

 Airsoft accessory Because replica guns like airsoft are made to look exactly like a real weapon, there is no way for eBay to know if the part/accessory you are selling is for a replica or for a real weapon. In the past, some sellers purposely mislabeled/ mis-described their real assault accessories as airsoft because they look similar and could be interchangeable. Because of this circumvention of our policy, we do not allow airsoft parts/accessories for assault weapons. Flash suppressors While the federal assault weapons ban is over, eBay continues to enforce the federal guidelines, which included weapons with flash suppressors. Barrel shroud / forward pistol grip / threaded pistol barrel Adding a barrel shroud/forward pistol grip/threaded pistol barrel to a semi-automatic pistol makes it an assault weapon. Buying legal part / accessory eBay is a marketplace for the sale of a large variety of products. While some items may be legal for a person to purchase or possess in their area, these same items may be against the law in another area. As such, eBay's firearms policy may be stricter than your local laws. eBay is under no obligation to allow every item that someone may wish to purchase. Not allowed to list assault weapon-related inventory Due to the regulated nature of assault weapon-related parts and accessories sales, and in order to manage our policy enforcement, sellers who are repeat offenders may be prevented from listing any type of assault weapon-related inventory, even if such products are available to other sellers and allowed by our policy.
 Internal Information Sellers who are repeat offenders or circumventing our policies will have issue 588 opened on their account. This issue will prevent them from using certain keywords (e.g., AR, AKM, M4, etc.) in the future. Even if they are trying to sell an assault weapon T-shirt or magazine, they won't be allowed. If you receive a contact or appeal from a seller

who has this issue, please follow these steps:

- Check MAC Note to understand if the seller is a repeat offender. (Even one previous offense is enough to place this issue on his/her account if we have observed that the seller has previously hit our assault weapon blocks.)
- Check in the AD LVIS Tool to see if the seller hit any assault weapon-related blocks. (Sellers who hit the block and adjusted their listings to get over the block are considered repeat offenders.)
- Refer to talking point https://cskb.qa.ebay.com/cskbapp/art?page_content&id=GUIDE1192&ViewLocale=en_US#talkingpointforblock

Not allowed to list assault weapon-related inventory

- to communicate our decision to the seller.

If you do not understand why issue 588 has been placed on the account, escalate to your Team Leader.

Deeper why of policy

For safety concerns and in order to follow laws and regulations, we restrict the kinds of weapons that can be sold on eBay. Be sure to follow all laws and regulations as well as eBay policies before buying or selling these items.

eBay urges its sellers and buyers to comply with all governmental laws and regulations. Because the sale of weapons or ammunition for weapons is highly regulated, or may cause harm to eBay or its members, sellers are restricted in their listing of them on eBay.

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[California assault weapons definition](#)

Semi-automatic center-fire rifle with fixed magazine that accepts more than 10 rounds

Semi-automatic center-fire rifle less than 30" in length

"Center fire" relates to how the ammunition is engaged. "Center fire" means the powder is ignited when the hammer strikes the primer at the center of the cartridge.

Semi-automatic center-fire weapons that accept a detachable magazine and have one or more of the following:

- Pistol grip that protrudes from bottom of weapon (forward or rear)
- Thumbhole stock, folding stock, telescoping stock
- Grenade or flare launcher
- Flash suppressor

Semi-automatic pistol that has one or more of the following:

Threaded barrel (for flash suppressor, forward grip, silencer) Second hand grip or barrel shroud Capacity to accept detachable magazine outside of pistol grip Any shotgun with a revolving cylinder

 A semi-automatic shotgun that has the ability to accept a detachable magazine
 Semi-automatic shotgun that has pistol grip that protrudes from the bottom of the weapon and one of the following:

- Thumbhole stock, folding stock, telescoping stock Vertical grip </h2>