

# SAFE TRANSPORT GUIDE

Transporting or mailing firearms safely in Alberta is of utmost importance to ensure the well-being of the public and maintain a secure community. Responsible firearm transportation practices contribute to the overall safety of individuals and communities by minimizing the risk of accidents, theft, or unauthorized access to firearms. Following proper guidelines and regulations for transporting firearms helps prevent potential misuse or mishandling, reducing the likelihood of tragic incidents. Additionally, safe firearm transport ensures compliance with legal requirements, promoting responsible gun ownership and reinforcing the importance of adherence to established protocols. By prioritizing the secure transport of firearms in Alberta, we contribute to a safer environment and uphold the principles of responsible firearm ownership within the context of the law.



The Alberta Gun Wise Safety First Program is a program created by the Alberta Hunter Education Instructors' Association (AHEIA). AHEIA is a non-profit, registered charity that coordinates Conservation Education throughout Alberta. AHEIA works in cooperation with several Alberta Government departments to deliver these quality programs to you and your family.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE GUN WISE PROGRAM

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## HOW DO I TRANSPORT FIREARMS SAFELY?



## HOW DO I TRANSPORT FIREARMS SAFELY? NON-RESTRICTED

Non-restricted firearms must simply be unloaded during transportation. As a best practice, any firearm that is being transported should be locked with a trigger or cable lock and stored out of sight.

### **AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSPORT (ATT)**

- You do not need an Authorization to Transport (ATT) a non-restricted firearm.
- You need an Authorization to Transport (ATT) whenever you wish to transport restricted or prohibited firearms anywhere other than to:
  - An approved shooting club or shooting range within your province of residence.
  - Pick up newly acquired firearms from the seller's place that is within your province of residence.

## HOW DO I TRANSPORT FIREARMS SAFELY? RESTRICTED

For restricted and prohibited firearms:

- Must be unloaded.
- Attach secure locking device.
- Lock them in a strong, non-transparent container.
- Obtain an Authorization to Transport (ATT).

### **LEAVING ANY CLASS OF FIREARM IN AN UNATTENDED VEHICLE**

As a best practice, avoid leaving your firearm unattended in a vehicle. If you need to:

- Lock non-restricted firearms and locked containers carrying restricted or prohibited firearms in the trunk or in a similar lockable compartment.
- If the vehicle does not have a trunk or lockable compartment, put firearms and firearm containers out of sight inside the vehicle and lock the vehicle.
- If you are in a remote wilderness area and cannot lock your non-restricted firearms inside your vehicle, unload them and put them out of sight. Attach a secure locking device to the firearms unless they are needed for predator control.

## HOW DO I TRANSPORT FIREARMS SAFELY? MAILING FIREARMS

The shipping of firearms (including imitation and replica firearms) is controlled under several laws and regulations in Canada.

To determine whether your firearms are eligible for shipping, please contact the Canadian Firearms Program at 1-800-731-4000.

### **SHIPPING REQUIREMENTS**

All firearms can only be shipped by Regular or Expedited Parcel and must include the Proof of Age option.

### **PACKAGING REQUIREMENTS**

- Be sure the firearm is not loaded.
- Remove the bolt or bolt carrier from any firearm, if removable.
- There can't be any ammunition in the firearm or in the package. Bullets, cartridges and other ammunition are dangerous goods and cannot be shipped through the mail.
- Attach a secure locking device to the firearm, such as a trigger lock or cable lock, so the firearm cannot be fired.
- Lock the firearm in a sturdy, non-transparent container. For example, a firearms case secured with padlocks.
- Use anonymous outer packaging without any markings or advertising that indicates what's inside.

