

# WHAT ARE MY OPTIONS?

Guidance and resources are available to help individuals safely and responsibly dispose of unwanted firearms. Whether it's from an estate or you have let your PAL expire, you have options. In Alberta it is your responsibility to handle unwanted firearms responsibly and safely. Improper disposal can lead to dangerous situations and potential legal issues.

Law enforcement should always be contacted when firearms from unknown sources are identified.

## OPTION 1

Sell or trade to a licensed firearms dealer or licensed individual

## OPTION 2

As a last resort, contract local law enforcement.



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

Contact the Alberta Hunter Education  
Instructors' Association

#### THE CALGARY AHEIA OFFICE

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Calgary, Alberta T2W 0R8  
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Fax 403.252.3770  
Toll Free 1.866.852.4342  
Email [info@aheia.com](mailto:info@aheia.com)

OR

#### THE EDMONTON AHEIA OFFICE

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Edmonton, Alberta T6E 6M8  
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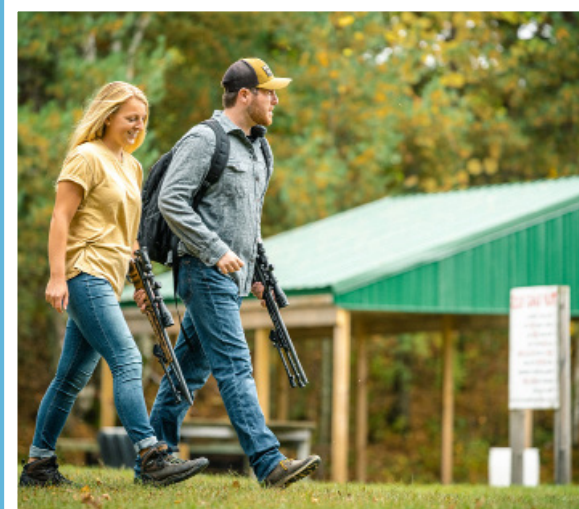
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## OPTION 1

Sell or trade to a licensed firearms dealer, or  
licensed individual

In Canada, a firearm can be transferred to a business,  
museum or other organization with a firearms  
business license.

### NON-RESTRICTED FIREARMS

You do not need to register non-restricted firearms to  
transfer them. However, the transferor (seller) must  
confirm that the transferee's (buyer's) firearms licence  
is valid by obtaining a reference number prior to the  
transfer of a non-restricted firearm.

The transfer of a non-restricted firearm may take  
place only after a reference number has been issued.  
Specific to buyer/seller transfers, the reference  
number is valid for:

- 90 days, or
- the remaining period of validity of the  
transferee's (buyer's) licence

If a reference number expires before the physical  
transfer of the firearm, a new reference number must  
be requested.

**ONLINE:** The licence verification process can be  
initiated online by the transferor (seller) through  
[rcmp.ca/en/firearms/individual-web-services](http://rcmp.ca/en/firearms/individual-web-services)

OR

**TELEPHONE:** Contact the Canadian Firearms Program  
(CFP) at 1-800-731-4000.

*The Alberta Hunter Education Instructors' Association  
accepts firearms donations at both their Calgary and  
Edmonton offices. For more information please call*

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## OPTION 1 CONT.

In Canada, a firearm can only be transferred to adults  
(18 or older) with a valid PAL that is for that class of  
firearm designated on their PAL.

### RESTRICTED FIREARMS

To transfer a restricted or prohibited firearms, both  
the transferor (seller) and transferee (buyer) must  
either:

**TELEPHONE:** Contact the Canadian Firearms Program  
(CFP) at 1-800-731-4000, ext. 4 or 5 (both parties do  
not need to be available at the same time)

OR

**ONLINE:** Read the information sheet and fill out the  
form at [alberta.ca/transfer-a-firearm](http://alberta.ca/transfer-a-firearm)

Handguns can no longer be transferred to  
individuals, except under special circumstances.  
Contact the CFP for further information.

# WHAT TO DO WITH UNWANTED FIREARMS

## OPTION 2

Contact local law enforcement.

Do not take your firearms into your local police  
detachment for disposal. You must contact your local  
detachment to arrange for pickup or delivery.



### Edmonton Police Service

9620 - 103A Avenue  
Edmonton, AB, T5H 0H7  
Telephone: 780-421-2200  
Fax: 780-421-2187



### Calgary Police Service

5111 47 St NE  
Calgary, AB T3J 3R2  
Telephone: 403-266-1234  
Email: [cps@calgarypolice.ca](mailto:cps@calgarypolice.ca)



### Lethbridge Police Service

135 1 Avenue South  
Lethbridge, AB T1J 0A1  
Telephone: 403-328-4444  
Email: [inquiries@lethbridgepolice.ca](mailto:inquiries@lethbridgepolice.ca)



### RCMP

To find your local detachment visit:  
[www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/detach/en/find/](http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/detach/en/find/)  
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