

# Firearms



## Can Firearms Be Shipped With Household Goods?

You may transport firearms as part of your HHG shipment, assuming it complies with all current International, Federal, and State laws.

### General Firearm Shipping Instructions

- Make the firearms inoperable by removing the bolt, firing pin, trigger assembly and other arming parts.
- Remove all ammunition from your firearms.
- **Shipment and storage of ammunition is prohibited.**
- Ensure that the firearm information is written on the inventory to include; make, model, serial number, unique characteristics, caliber or gauge.
  - Any Privately Owned Firearm (POF) manufactured after 1968 without a serial number is prohibited from shipping or storage.

### CONUS Firearm Instructions

- If you intend to drive with a POF, do not carry weapons on your person and review all state laws enroute to your new duty station. [State Laws and Published Ordinances - Firearms \(35th Edition\)](#) | [Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives \(atf.gov\)](#)

### OCONUS Firearm Instructions

- You may transport firearms as part of your household goods, assuming the firearm and documentation abides by all the laws of your new host country. [OCONUS Country Instructions January 2023 \(ustranscom.mil\)](#)
- If you intend to drive with a POF internationally, review all international laws enroute to your new duty station. [ustranscom.mil/dp3/docs/otherpdfs/0050+Personal\\_Property\\_Consignment\\_Instructions\\_Guide/OCONUS\\_Country\\_Instructions\\_January\\_2023.pdf](#)
- When returning to the CONUS, you must identify firearms on your individual customs form and obtain approved ATF (Alcohol, Tobacco Firearms) Form 6, Pt. 1 (Application and Permit for Import of Firearms). This process can take up to six weeks so plan accordingly.

### Gun Safe

- Service Members are authorized up to a 500 lb. free weight allowance for empty gun safes.
- DoD Civilians may ship gun safes; however, they are not authorized 500 lbs. of free weight.
- Annotate the weight of the gun safe separately on the inventory.
- If the weight cannot be determined from the make and model of the safe, a constructive weight of 25 lbs. per cubic feet may be used.
- Do not ship or store a gun in a locked container/safe due to inspection requirements at ports, customs, border control, storage locations, etc.