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# Imports Updates

# Term of Validity

- Pursuant to a notice published in the Federal Register on 2/7/14, the term of validity for the ATF Form 6, Part I, Application and Permit for Importation of Firearms, Ammunition and Implements of War, has been extended to 2 years.
- This is applicable to forms processed on or after 4/8/14.

# IIC

- International Import Certificates (IIC) are still valid for 6 months.
- ATF will only process IIC applications for the permanent import of defense articles enumerated on the United States Munitions Import List (USMIL).
- If you require an IIC for articles enumerated on the United States Munitions List (USML) or the Commerce Control List, please contact Commerce Department for assistance.

# Changes to the USMIL

- On 3/7/14, ATF published in the Federal Register a list of amendments to the USMIL.
- The changes became effective on 4/28/14.
- Changes to Category I: I(e) has been removed. Riflescopes manufactured to military specifications no longer require a Form 6 for import.

# Changes to the USMIL

- Category II: no changes.
- Category III: III(c) Ammunition belting and linking machines have been removed and no longer require a Form 6 for import.
- Category III: III(d) Ammunition manufacturing machines and ammunition loading machines have been removed and no longer require a Form 6 for import.

# Changes to the USMIL

- Category IV: IV(f) Ablative materials have been removed and no longer require a Form 6 for import.
- Category VI: VI(a) Clarification was added that the vessels described must be equipped with offensive or defensive systems.
- Category VI: VI(b) Arresting gear, submarine storage batteries and catapults were removed and no longer require a Form 6 for import.

# Changes to the USMIL

- Category VII: VII(g) Engines have been removed and no longer require a Form 6 for import.
- Category VII: VII(h) has been modified significantly to reflect the corresponding changes to the USML category.
- Category VIII: no changes

# Changes to the USMIL

- Category XIV: XIV(b) Biological agents have been removed as they are regulated by the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Health and Human Services. A Form 6 is no longer required for import.
- Category XIV: XIV(c) Equipment, including components, parts and accessories for the identification, detection and defense against toxicological agents have been removed from this category. A Form 6 is no longer required for import.

# Changes to the USMIL

- Category XIV: XIV(d) Nuclear radiation detection and measuring devices manufactured to military specification have been removed and no longer require a Form 6 for import.
- Category XIV: XIV(e) Components, parts, accessories, attachments and associated equipment has been removed and no longer requires a Form 6 for import. (components parts, accessories and attachments for disseminating equipment are enumerated under the modified XIV(c).)

# Changes to the USMIL

- Category XVI: XVI(a) has been removed as they are regulated by the Department of Energy. A Form 6 is not required to import the articles previously enumerated in this category.
- Category XVI: XVI(b) has been amended to only to require a Form 6 application for the import of modeling or simulation tools that model or simulate the environments generated by nuclear detonations and their effects on various environments.

# Changes to the USMIL

- Category XX: no changes.
- Category XXI: no changes.

# Firearms and Explosives Imports Branch (FEIB)

- Processed 11,357 permanent import permit applications for firearms, ammunition, and defense articles in FY13. One application can have an unlimited number of items.
- Total firearms imported in 2013 was 5,539,538.
- Processed over 8,114 (ATF Form 6 NIA) import permit applications from non-immigrant aliens coming to the U.S. for a competitive sport shooting competition, organized hunting event, or industry trade show in FY13.

# ATF Form 6 Processing Times

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Applications Processed</b>	<b>0-10 Days</b>	<b>11-30 Days</b>	<b>31-45 Days</b>	<b>45+ Days</b>
2009	9,472	19.11%	63.30%	10.97%	6.62%
2010	8,861	20.62%	57.03%	13.71%	8.64%
2011	9,253	23.53 %	61.79%	10.84%	3.85%
2012	9,579	30.86%	60.11%	6.74%	2.29%
2013	11,357	13.08%	42.11%	27.64%	17.18%

# Requests for Expedites

- The Branch has seen an overwhelming influx of expedite requests. Expediting ATF Form 6s for processing will only be considered for the following:
  - United States Government
  - State and local Governments
  - Law Enforcement Agencies
  - Branch Chief evaluation and approval required

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