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## DISCLAIMER

We will not ship firearms to a third party to be modified or changed in any way from manufactured specifications. The firearm you purchase must be compliant AS IS from the manufacturer before we will ship.

Information regarding State and local restrictions, laws and ordinances presented on this page is accurate to the best of our knowledge at the present time. Laws and ordinances for firearms, ammunition, and certain other items are however, subject to change, without notice to us.

## Rifles

### Handguns:

*Per Initiative Measure 1639, handgun regulation effective July 1, 2019:*

To purchase a handgun in the state of Washington, a person must be minimum age 21, a resident of the state, and must possess a valid concealed pistol license. Additionally, the transferring dealer must be notified in writing by the chief of police or sheriff of a jurisdiction in which the purchaser resides that the purchaser is eligible to possess a pistol under RCW 9.41.040.

### Semi-Automatic Rifles

In Washington, a semi-automatic assault rifle is defined by Initiative Measure 1639 as:

*Any rifle which utilizes a portion of the energy of a firing cartridge to extract the fired cartridge case and chamber the next round, and which requires a separate pull of the trigger to fire each cartridge.*

To purchase semi-automatic rifles as defined above, a person must be a resident of the state and **minimum 21 years of age**. This restriction **does not include** those rifles that are:

1. Antique firearms
2. Any firearm rendered permanently inoperable
3. Any firearm that is manually operated by a bolt, pump, lever, or slide action.

There are **no exceptions** for military or police members under the age of 21, and .22 caliber semi-automatic rimfire or centerfire rifles **are included** within the scope of the regulation.

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## **Black Powder Firearms:**

*Per Initiative Measure 1639, handgun regulation effective July 1, 2019:*

All black powder firearms must be transferred via Federal Firearms Licensee (FFL). The only exception allowed is for “antique firearms” as defined in RCW 9.41.010:

1. “Antique firearm” means a firearm or replica of a firearm not designed or redesigned for using rimfire or conventional centerfire ignition with fixed ammunition **and** manufactured in or before 1898, including any matchlock, flintlock, percussion cap, or similar type of ignition system and also any firearm using fixed ammunition manufactured in or before 1898, for which ammunition is no longer manufactured in the United States and is not readily available in the ordinary channels of commercial trade.

Thus all “modern” black powder firearms, even those that are not convertible to rimfire or centerfire, must transfer through an FFL.

Additionally, a person prohibited from possessing a modern firearm is also prohibited from possessing a black powder firearm in Washington.