

Why is the AR-15 a Restricted Firearm?

"The AR-15 is a restricted firearm (in Canada) because someone put it on a list. If it was a brand new gun coming into Canada today it would be a non-restricted firearm because it doesn't meet the mechanical characteristics of a restricted gun."

--CSSA Executive Director Tony Bernardo

If the firearm classification system were applied uniformly the AR-15 would be classed as a non-restricted firearm. The AR-15, universally despised by anti-gun advocates, has the exact same mechanical characteristics as all the non-restricted firearms shown here.



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Note: This list is NOT comprehensive, but a selection of non-restricted rifles that show the AR-15 classification is political, not based on its mechanical characteristics like all the firearms shown here.

The Tavor Tar-21



The Robinson XCR



The JR Carbine



Famea SG 542



Heckler & Koch SL8



KRISS Vector



AR-10B



Beretta CX4



Benelli MR1



Modern Hunter



Swiss Arms PE90



GM6 Lynx



BRS-99 Tactical



1919 Match



Type 81



Type 97

