



Inert Firearms

Frequently Asked Questions

What makes them inert?

- The NAA22 firearms are welded to be nonfunctional. The barrel is plugged and welded, the trigger is welded, among other modifications.
- The 3D gun is printed in-house, and it has been designed to ensure it cannot be fired. The trigger is printed in place and cannot move. The trigger spring and hammer springs are non-functional. The assembly pin holes have been moved to further render the inert gun incompatible with components of real 3D guns

Are these inert guns classified as firearms according to the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF)? – **No.**

- What constitutes a firearm is described in Title 18 U.S. Code 921. A firearm is any weapon that has been designed to or may be readily converted to expel by the action of an explosive. This definition generally excludes any muzzle-loading firearm (a weapon that is loaded through the muzzle with individual components and not premade ammunition in a metallic cartridge) and any firearm manufactured prior to 1898. The ATF publishes a regulation that lists many of these by make and model.
- We do not use live firearms that have been through the de-militarization process. In order to determine what meets that definition, we sent samples of three blank firing guns to the ATF for a technical review in August of 2016. Two of these blank firing guns were determined to meet the statute and were determined formally by the ATF to be non-guns. As such, they are neither designed to be nor can they be converted into a firearm. We removed the third gun from our inventory and no longer stock, sell, or possess them.

How can inert guns be metal detector and X-ray correct?

- We use blank firing guns, because they are made of a softer metal than the typical steel. They have the same shape, metallic signature, and color in an X-ray as a true firearm. Because they are designed to chamber blanks, they can also chamber one of our inert bullets. This gives us a reasonable facsimile of a firearm in the X-ray. The use of the alternative metal helps prevent the training aid from being used as a firearm, since it lacks the strength to contain the detonation of bullet.

Can anybody buy them? – **No.**

- DSA screens all of its customers by default. The inert firearms have some of the strictest screening guidelines; they are most often sold to government entities or to reputable security screening organizations.

Can they ship to international countries?

- DSA strictly complies with export regulations via the U.S. Commerce Department and the State Department. Each international order, regardless of the items purchased, are pre-screened for export compliance. The inert guns are not heavily controlled but still cannot ship to certain end users, for certain end uses, or to certain countries. DSA leads and handles export compliance with the cooperation of its customer.
- Concurrently, each country has its own import laws. It is the responsibility of the customer to research and comply with the import laws of the destination country.

Sounds great! Where can I view your inventory?

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