



FIREARMS QUESTIONS

- 1. Bill C-71, an Act to Amend Certain Acts and Regulations in relation to firearms, received Royal Assent in June 2019. Do you support repealing Bill C-71?**

To keep communities safe, the Government of Canada is strengthening Canada's gun laws in a common-sense, focused and effective way. Bill C-71 prioritizes public safety and effective police work, while respecting law-abiding firearms owners.

- 2. If a person has passed all the RCMP required background checks do you agree they should be allowed to own and use handguns only at appropriate facilities?**

Gun crime in Canada is on the rise and a re-elected Liberal government will continue to respect Canadian hunters, farmers and sport shooters. We will not bring back the long-gun registry; however, we will work with the provinces and territories to give municipalities the ability to further restrict — or ban — handguns.

- 3. If a person has passed all the RCMP required background checks do you agree they should be allowed to own and use all types of semi-automatic rifles for hunting and or target shooting at approved gun ranges?**

We will continue to respect Canadian hunters, farmers and sport shooters, and will not bring back the long-gun registry. However, too many people have lost loved ones to gun violence. And too often, the culprit is military-style weapons designed to inflict mass human casualties — guns so dangerous that they have no place in Canada. A re-elected Liberal government will ban all military-style assault rifles, including the AR-15

- 4. Why is it necessary to have firearms licensees undergo background checks every five years when the Canadian Police Information Centre computers check you every day?**

Individuals may have significant changes in their lives over a five-year period outside of having committed a criminal offence that could impact owning a firearm, including mental health or other non-criminal factors. Moreover, CPIC does not check firearm owners every day. Although there are a number of criminal offences that trigger an automatic check for a firearm license when entered into CPIC, it does not cover all criminal code offences. To keep communities safe, our Government will continue to strengthen Canada's gun laws in a common-sense, focused and effective way.

- 5. Why is it necessary to revert to the paper issuance of permits to take restricted firearms to gun shows, gunsmiths, and the border if you are allowed to take your restricted firearms to All Approved Shooting Ranges at any time?**

To bolster community safety in relation to restricted and prohibited firearms (mostly handguns and assault weapons) specific authorization to transport (ATT) are to be obtained

when these firearms are moved through the community. For firearms such as shotguns and hunting rifles, the rules will not change. An ATT is also *not* required for transportation of restricted or prohibited firearms between the owner's residence and an approved shooting range, or between the retailer and the owner's home directly following the purchase of a firearm. This accounts for over 90 percent of all travel with restricted and prohibited weapons. The process for acquiring an ATT will be simple, there will be no fee, and they will be available electronically.