

Firearm Code Tables and Categories

Firearm ACTION Codes	
Code	Description
AR	Air
AU	Automatic
BA	Bolt Action
BF	Blank Fire
BM	Modified Break Open
BO	Break Open
CH	Combination (Handgun) Category H
FB	Falling Block
FL	Flintlock
FP	Flare Pistol
HL	Hammer Lock
LA	Lever Action
MH	Martini Henry
MO	Mortar
MX	Matchlock
MZ	Muzzle Loading
PA	Pump Action
PH	Powerhead
PM	Modified Pump Action
PN	Percussion
RB	Rolling Breech
RO	Rocket Launcher
RV	Revolver
RX	Rolling Block
SA	Semi-Automatic
SB	Sliding Breech
SC	Screw Breech
SN	Sneider
SP	Starting Pistol
SW	Swivel Breech
TD	Trap Door
TF	Teat Fire

Firearm TYPE Codes	
Code	Description
AR	Air Rifle
BL	Breech Loading
CA	Cannon
CC	Combination (centrefire cat B)
CF	Centre Fire Rifle
CR	Combination (rimfire Cat A)
DR	Drilling (3 Barrel)
HP	Handgun
HQ	Antique Handgun
HU	Humane Killer
MA	Machine Gun
ML	Muzzle Loading
MO	Mortar
NF	Needle Fire
PB	Paintball Marker
PW	Powerhead
RF	RimFire Rifle
RL	Rocket Launcher
SH	Shotgun
TR	Tranquilliser Gun
VR	Vierling

Firearm Configuration Codes	
Code	Description
DB	Double Barrel - Side by Side
MX	Matchlock
MB	Multi Barrel
RV	Revolver
SA	Semi-Automatic
SB	Single Barrel
TF	Teat Fire
UO	Under and Over

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Firearm Category	Description
Category A	an airgun a rimfire rifle (other than a semi-automatic rimfire rifle) a shotgun (other than a pump action, semi-automatic shotgun or lever action) any combination of a shotgun and rimfire rifle
Category B	a muzzle loading firearm a centre fire rifle (other than an automatic or a semi-automatic centre fire rifle) any combination of a shotgun and centre fire rifle a black powder, ball firing cannon a shotgun level action with a magazine capacity of no more than 5 rounds
Category C	a semi-automatic rimfire rifle with a magazine capacity of no more than 10 rounds a semi-automatic shotgun with a magazine capacity of no more than 5 rounds a pump action shotgun with a magazine capacity of no more than 5 rounds a tranquilliser gun
Category D	a semi-automatic rimfire rifle with a magazine capacity of more than 10 rounds a semi-automatic shotgun with a magazine capacity of more than 5 rounds a pump action shotgun with a magazine capacity of more than 5 rounds a semi-automatic centre fire rifle a shotgun level action with a magazine capacity of more than 5 rounds any other firearm prescribed for the purposes of this category any other firearm that is declared to be a Category D by the Chief Commissioner
Category E Longarm	a machine gun that is a longarm a tear gas gun or projector a shotgun or rifle with a length of less than 75 centimetres measured parallel to the barrel a mortar, bazooka, rocket propelled grenade or similar large calibre military firearm designed to fire an explosive or projectile or any other similar prescribed firearm a cannon which is not a black powder ball firing cannon any other firearm prescribed for the purposes of this category Any other firearm that is declared to be a Category E longarm by the Chief Commissioner
Category E Handgun	a machine gun that is a handgun any handgun prescribed for the purposes of this category;
Paintball Marker (Category P)	any firearm that is designed to discharge a paintball
Antique Handgun (Category Q)	a handgun (that is not a single shot antique handgun) – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> that was manufactured before 1 January 1900; and that uses percussion as a means of ignition; and does not take commercially available cartridge ammunition
General Category Handguns (Category H)	a rimfire handgun a centre fire handgun that is not a E handgun

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