

## GUN LEGISLATION – WORKSHEET

**To act in self-defence: (agir en état de légitime défense)**

**Ammunition: (munitions)**

**Automatic weapons (armes automatiques):** Firearms that continuously fire when the trigger is pulled and stop when the trigger is released or all the ammunition runs out – often referred to as “machine guns.”

**To assault: (assaillir/agresser)**

**An assault weapon (arme d’assaut):** an assault weapon can be defined as any semi-automatic rifle, handgun, or shotgun with a detachable magazine and one or more "military-style features.”

**A background check: (un contrôle des antécédents)**

**A ban/outlaw guns: (interdire les armes à feu)**

**To be trigger happy: (avoir la gâchette facile)**

**Bereaved families: (familles endeuillées)**

**A bill: (un projet de loi)**

**A Brady background check:** when an individual goes to a federally licensed firearm retailer to purchase a gun, the retailer must contact the FBI to run a background check on the purchaser. The FBI then consults the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) to determine if the buyer is a prohibited purchaser.

**A bullet: (une balle)**

**A bloodshed/bloodbath: (un bain de sang)**

**A bump stock:** an attachment that allows a semi-automatic rifle to mimic a fully automatic weapon's "cyclic firing rate to mimic nearly continuous automatic fire," according to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF).

**A cartridge: (une cartouche)**

**A casualty: (une victime)**

**Concealed weapon: (arme dissimulée)**

**To crack down on: (sévir contre / réprimer)**

**A criminal record: (un casier judiciaire)**

**Death toll : (le nombre de victimes)**

**A firearm: (arme à feu)**

**A firearms dealer (marchand d'armes):** any person, not a manufacturer or importer, engaged in the business of selling, renting, leasing, or loaning firearms and shall include pawnbrokers who accept firearms as collateral for loans.

**Firearms handling: (le maniement des armes)**

**Gun control: (la réglementation du port d'arme)**

**A gun-free zone: (zone où les armes sont bannies)**

**A gun enthusiast: (un passionné d'armes à feu)**

**Gunfight: (échange de coups de feu)**

**A gun licence/permit: (un permis de port d'arme)**

**A gun maker/manufacturer: (un fabricant d'armes)**

**A gun owner (> gun ownership): (un propriétaire d'arme à feu)**

**Gun-rights activists: (les défenseurs du droit de porter des armes)**

**Gun sales: (les ventes d'armes à feu)**

**Gunshot / gunfire : (coup de feu)**

**Handgun: (arme de poing)**

**Legal age: (majorité/âge légal)**

**The NRA (National Rifle Association):** The most famous and powerful American gun lobby.

**Open carry: (port d'arme visible)**

**To open fire on: (ouvrir le feu sur)**

**Prohibited Purchaser:** federal law prohibits the purchase and possession of firearms by people who fall within certain categories, such as convicted felons, domestic abusers, and people with specific kinds of mental health histories.

**A rampage / killing spree: (folie meurtrière / tuerie)**

**To register a gun: (déclarer une arme)**

**To restrict access to guns: (limiter l'accès aux armes à feu)**

**The right to bear arms: (le droit de port d'arme)**

**A rifle (fusil):** a weapon designed or redesigned, made or remade, and intended to be fired from the shoulder, and designed or redesigned and made or remade to use the energy of the explosive in a fixed metallic cartridge to fire only a single projectile through a rifled bore for each single pull of the trigger.

**Second amendment rights:** the rights related to gun carrying and guaranteed by the Constitution

**Semi-automatic weapons (armes semi-automatiques):** Firearms that fire a single shot every time the trigger is pulled and automatically reload without the user having to “cock” the gun or add ammunition.

**Slaughter: (massacre)**

**To shoot: (tirer sur)**

**To shoot somebody dead: (abattre)**

**A shooting > a mass shooting): (une fusillade > une fusillade de masse)**

**A shooting range: (un stand de tir)**

**A shotgun (fusil de chasse):** a weapon designed or redesigned, made or remade, and intended to be fired from the shoulder, and designed or redesigned and made or remade to use the energy of the explosive in a fixed shotgun shell to fire through a smooth bore either a number of ball shot or a single projectile for each single pull of the trigger.

**State law: (la loi d'état)**

**To take the law into one's own hands: (se faire justice soi-même)**

**To turn the gun on oneself: (retourner l'arme contre soi-même)**

**A vigilante: (un membre de groupe d'autodéfense / un justicier)**

**To wound / injure > a gunshot wound: (blesser > une blessure par balle)**