## "Assault-style firearm", any firearm which is:

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144 (a) a semiautomatic, centerfire rifle with the capacity to accept a detachable feeding
145 device and includes at least 2 of the following features: (i) a folding or telescopic stock; (ii)
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146 thumbhole stock or pistol grip; (iii) a forward grip or second handgrip or protruding grip that can

147 be held by the non-trigger hand; (iv) a threaded barrel designed to accommodate a flash
148 suppressor or muzzle break or similar feature; or (v) a shroud that encircles either all or part
of

149 the barrel designed to shield the bearer's hand from heat, excluding a slide that encloses the

150 barrel.

151 **(b)** a semiautomatic pistol with the capacity to accept a detachable feeding device and 152 includes at least 2 of the following features: **(i)** the capacity to accept a feeding device that 153 attaches to the pistol outside of the pistol grip; **(ii)** a second handgrip or a protruding grip that can

154 be held by the non-trigger hand; (iii) a threaded barrel capable of accepting a flash suppressor,

155 forward handgrip or silencer; or (iv) a shroud that encircles either all or part of the barrel 156 designed to shield the bearer's hand from heat, excluding a slide that encloses the barrel. 157 (c) a semiautomatic shotgun that includes at least 2 of the following features: (i) a folding 158 or telescopic stock; (ii) a thumbhole stock or pistol grip; (iii) a protruding grip for the non-trigger

159 hand; or (iv) the capacity to accept a detachable feeding device.

160 (d) Any firearm listed on the assault-style firearm roster pursuant to section 128A.

- 161 (e) Any of the following firearms, or copies or duplicates of these firearms, of any 162 caliber, identified as: (i) Avtomat Kalashnikov, or AK, all models; (ii) Action Arms Israeli 163 Military Industries UZI and Galil; (iii) Beretta AR70 (SC-70); (iv) Colt AR-15; (v) Fabrique 164 National FN/FAL, FN/LAR and FNC; (v) SWD M-10, M-11, M-11/9 and M-12; (vi) Steyr 10 of 116
- 165 AUG; **(vii)** INTRATEC TEC-9, TEC-DC9 and TEC-22; and **(viii)** revolving cylinder shotguns 166 including, but not limited to, the Street Sweeper and Striker 12;
- 167 **(f)** a copy or duplicate of any firearm meeting the standards of or enumerated in clauses 168 **(d)** and **(e)**; provided, that for the purposes of this subsection, "copy or duplicate" shall mean a
- 169 firearm: **(A)** that was manufactured or subsequently configured with an ability to accept a 170 detachable magazine; and **(B)(i)** that has internal functional components that are substantially
- 171 similar in construction and configuration to those of an enumerated firearm in clauses (d) and
- 172 (e); or (ii) that has a receiver that is the same as or interchangeable with the receiver of an 173 enumerated firearm in said clauses (d) and (e); provided further, that the firearm shall not be
- 174 considered a copy or duplicate of a firearm identified in clauses (d) and (e) if sold, owned and
- 175 registered prior to July 20, 2016
- 176 (g) "Assault-style firearm" shall not include any: (i) firearm that is operated by manual 177 bolt, pump, lever or slide action; (ii) firearm that has been rendered permanently inoperable or
- 178 otherwise rendered permanently unable to be designated as a semiautomatic assault-style

179 firearm; (iii) firearm that is an antique or relic, theatrical prop or other firearm that is not capable

180 of firing a projectile and which is not intended for use as a functional firearm and cannot be
181 readily modified through a combination of available parts into an assault-style firearm; (iv)
any

182 of the firearms, or replicas or duplicates of such firearms, specified in appendix A to 18 U.S.C.

183 section 922 as appearing in such appendix on September 13, 1994, as such firearms were 184 manufactured on October 1, 1993; or (v) semiautomatic shotgun that cannot hold more than 5

185 rounds of ammunition in a fixed or detachable feeding device.

# PROHIBITED ASSAULT-STYLE FIREARMS ROSTER

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#### **Statutory authority**

This roster of assault-style firearms has been compiled in accordance with G.L. c. 140, § 131¾, which requires the Secretary of Public Safety and Security, with the advice of the Firearms Control Advisory Board, to compile and publish a roster of assault-style firearms prohibited under G. L. c. 140, § 131M, hereafter known as the *Prohibited Assault-Style Firearms Roster*.

THIS ROSTER IS NOT AN EXHAUSTIVE OR FINAL LISTING OF ALL PROHIBITED ASSAULT-STYLE FIREARMS. FIREARMS WHICH MEET THE DEFINITION OF "ASSAULT-STYLE FIREARM" UNDER G. L. c. 140, § 121 WILL CONTINUE TO BE ADDED TO THE ROSTER AS THEY ARE IDENTIFIED. UNDER G. L. c. 140, § 131M, INDIVIDUALS, UNLESS EXEMPTED, ARE PROHIBITED FROM POSSESSING ANY FIREARM THAT MEETS THE DEFINITION OF "ASSAULT-STYLE FIREARM" UNDER G. L. c. 140, § 121, WHETHER OR NOT IT IS LISTED ON THIS ROSTER.

#### Modifications to this roster

Amendments to this roster may be approved periodically, and licensees, dealers, and law enforcement personnel should always utilize the most recent roster for purposes of determining statutory compliance. The Prohibited Assault-Style Firearms Roster posted on the website of the Commonwealth's Firearms Records Bureau (<a href="https://www.mass.gov/firearms-services">www.mass.gov/firearms-services</a>) will contain the most up-to-date listing of prohibited assault-style firearms.

Prohibited assault-style firearms not listed on this roster may still be illegal to possess, unless otherwise exempted, even if they are registered and possessed by someone with a license to carry firearms. **Criteria** 

#### for inclusion of firearms on this roster

In general, firearms will be included on this roster if they meet either of two criteria:

- 1. The firearm is one of an enumerated list of firearms in G. L. c. 140, § 121(e), or is a "copy or duplicate" as defined in G. L. c. 140, § 121(f) of one of those enumerated firearms or the firearms listed on this roster; or
- 2. The firearm is a semiautomatic rifle, pistol, or shotgun which includes two or more of the features enumerated in G. L. c. 140, § 121(a), (b) and (c).

#### Exemptions from G. L. c. 140, § 131M

Assault-style firearms not listed on this roster may still be prohibited unless otherwise exempted. The following information is provided to offer guidance on statutory exemptions.

Firearms manufactured on or prior to September 13, 1994: Assault-style firearms included in Category 1 of this roster that were manufactured on or prior to September 13, 1994, and were lawfully possessed within the Commonwealth on August 1, 2024, by either an individual licensed under G. L. c. 140, § 131 or a dealer licensed under G. L. c. 140, § 122, are exempted from the provisions of G. L. c.

140, § 131M. Such assault-style firearms may continue to be possessed, provided that the assaultstyle firearm is registered and serialized in accordance with G. L. c. 140, §§ 121B and 121C.

Firearms manufactured after September 13, 1994, but possessed prior to July 20, 2016: Assaultstyle firearms included in Category 2 of this roster shall not be considered a copy or duplicate of an enumerated assault-style firearm if possessed and registered prior to July 20, 2016. Similarly, an assault-style firearm not included on this roster that was manufactured after September 13, 1994, with one or none of the features enumerated in G. L. c. 140, § 121(a), (b), and (c) shall not be considered a copy or duplicate of an assault-style firearm if sold, owned, and registered prior to July 20, 2016. This date and limited exemption apply only to assault-style firearms with fewer than two of the enumerated features listed under G. L. c. 140, § 121(a), (b) and (c). Assault-style firearms manufactured after September 13, 1994 with two or more of the enumerated features are assault-style firearms whether or not they qualify as copies or duplicates of an enumerated assault-style firearm. See G. L. c. 140, § 121 "Assault-Style Firearm" clause (f).

Firearms lawfully possessed on August 1, 2024: Whether included on this roster or not, assaultstyle firearms that were serialized, registered, and <u>lawfully possessed within the Commonwealth</u> on August 1, 2024, are exempt from the provisions of G. L. c. 140, of §131M. This exemption applies to lawfully possessed assault-style firearms manufactured on or prior to September 13, 1994, as well as firearms that did not qualify as assault weapons under the definition that existed before the October 2, 2024, enactment of Chapter 135 of the Acts of 2024, but now would meet the definition of "assaultstyle firearm" due to the addition of certain enumerated features). An assault-style firearm manufactured or assembled after September 13, 1994 which had two or more of the enumerated features, even if registered, was not lawful to possess at any time after September 13, 1994 unless otherwise exempted and remains unlawful to possess or transfer at this time. See G. L. c. 140, § 131M(b).

**Law enforcement exemption:** Pursuant to G. L. c. 140, § 131M(e), the prohibitions of G. L. c. 140, § 131M shall not apply to transfer or possession by: (i) a qualified law enforcement officer or a qualified retired law enforcement officer, as defined in the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004, 18 U.S.C. §§ 926B and 926C, respectively, as amended; (ii) a federal, state or local law enforcement agency; or (iii) a federally licensed manufacturer solely for sale or transfer in another state or for export. See G. L. c. 140, § 131M(e).

#### Firearms not exempted from G. L. c. 140, § 131M even if not listed on this roster

- Any assault-style firearm listed in Category 1 that was manufactured or assembled after September 13, 1994.
- Any assault-style firearm made or assembled after September 13, 1994, that has two or more of the features listed in G. L. c. 140, § 121, whether or not it is listed on this roster.
- Any copy or duplicate of an assault-style firearm listed in Category 1, whether or not it is listed on this roster, except for those with only one or none of the enumerated features that was sold, owned, and registered prior to July 20, 2016.
- Any assault-style firearm as defined in G. L. c 140, § 121 that was not lawfully possessed, registered, and serialized within the Commonwealth on August 1, 2024.

## Category 1: Enumerated List of Assault-Style Firearms (G. L. c. 140, § 121(e))

The following firearms of any caliber, are prohibited unless manufactured on or prior to September 13, 1994, and lawfully possessed within the Commonwealth on August 1, 2024 by a person in possession of a license

to carry firearms under G. L. c. 140, § 131 or a license to sell firearms under G. L. c. 140, § 122, provided that the firearm was registered and serialized in accordance with G. L. c. 140, §§ 121B and 121C.

(i)	Avtomat Kalashnikov, or AK, all models
(ii)	Action Arms Israeli Military Industries UZI and Galil
(iii)	Beretta AR70 (SC-70)
(iv)	Colt AR-15
(v)	Fabrique National FN/FAL, FN/LAR and FNC
(vi)	SWD M-10, M-11, M-11/9 and M-12
(vii)	Steyr AUG
(viii)	INTRATEC TEC-9, TEC-DC9 and TEC-22
(ix)	Revolving cylinder shotguns including, but not limited to, the Street Sweeper and Striker 12

# Category 2: Copies or Duplicates of Enumerated Assault-Style Firearms (G. L. c 140, § 121(f))

The following firearms are copies or duplicates, as defined in G. L. c. 140, § 121(f), of the firearms listed in Category 1 above and are thus prohibited. However, any of the firearms listed in this category may be possessed with a license to carry firearms under G. L. c. 140, § 131 if said firearm was possessed and registered prior to July 20, 2016.

Manufacturer	Model	Caliber

# Category 3: Assault-Style Firearms Prohibited Pursuant to § 131M

The following firearms are assault-style firearms, as defined in G. L. c. 140, § 121, and are thus prohibited-

- Omission of a firearm meeting the definition of an assault-style firearm from this roster does not imply it is lawful to own.
- New additions are not intended to criminalize what was once lawful possession. Rather, new
  additions will periodically be added when a manufacturer's model is determined to meet the
  definition of an assault-style firearm pursuant to G. L. c. 140, § 121 as part of an ongoing review
  process.
- It is important to note that the current assault-style firearms prohibitions outlined in G. L. c. 140, § 131M which regulates possession and was modified in 2024, has existed since 1998, which regulate possession while modified in 2024, has existed since 1998. While the roster is a new requirement in 2024 pursuant to G. L. c. 140, §§ 121 and 131¾, the prohibitions have remained virtually unchanged since 1998. The prohibitions of G. L. c. 140, § 131M apply whether or not the assaultstyle firearm is listed on this roster, unless otherwise exempted.

## **Assault-Style Centerfire Rifles**

Manufacturer	Model	Caliber
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