

§2037. Prohibited conduct**1. Prohibited conduct.** A person may not:

- A. Intentionally or knowingly possess one or more unfinished frames or receivers unless each unfinished frame or receiver has been imprinted with a serial number by a federal firearms licensee pursuant to federal law or section 2039; [PL 2025, c. 537, §6 (NEW).]
- B. Intentionally or knowingly import into this State, transfer or offer to transfer an unfinished frame or receiver unless the unfinished frame or receiver has been imprinted with a serial number by a federal firearms licensee pursuant to federal law or section 2039; [PL 2025, c. 537, §6 (NEW).]
- C. Intentionally or knowingly purchase an unfinished frame or receiver imprinted with a serial number without undergoing a background check pursuant to 18 United States Code, Section 922(t) or Title 15, section 395; [PL 2025, c. 537, §6 (NEW).]
- D. Intentionally or knowingly possess one or more firearms or frames or receivers that are not each imprinted with a serial number by a federal firearms licensee pursuant to federal law or section 2039; [PL 2025, c. 537, §6 (NEW).]
- E. Intentionally or knowingly import into this State, transfer or offer to transfer a firearm or frame or receiver that is not imprinted with a serial number by a federal firearms licensee pursuant to federal law or section 2039; or [PL 2025, c. 537, §6 (NEW).]
- F. Intentionally or knowingly purchase a frame or receiver imprinted with a serial number without undergoing a background check pursuant to 18 United States Code, Section 922(t) or Title 15, section 395. [PL 2025, c. 537, §6 (NEW).]

[PL 2025, c. 537, §6 (NEW).]

2. Exceptions. The following are exceptions to the provisions of subsection 1.**A.** Subsection 1, paragraphs A and B do not apply to:

- (1) A federal firearms licensee acting within the scope of the licensee's license;
- (2) An unfinished frame or receiver possessed by or transferred to a law enforcement officer for legitimate law enforcement purposes;
- (3) The transfer of an unfinished frame or receiver for the purpose of having the unfinished frame or receiver imprinted with a serial number pursuant to federal law or section 2039; or
- (4) A person who:
 - (a) Is in possession of an unfinished frame or receiver that has been without a serial number for no more than 48 hours; and
 - (b) Has an appointment with a federal firearms licensee pursuant to section 2039, subsection 1, paragraph C to have the unfinished frame or receiver imprinted with a serial number. [PL 2025, c. 537, §6 (NEW).]

B. Subsection 1, paragraphs D and E do not apply to:

- (1) A federal firearms licensee acting within the scope of the licensee's license;
- (2) A firearm or frame or receiver without a serial number possessed by or transferred to a law enforcement officer for legitimate law enforcement purposes;
- (3) The transfer of a firearm or frame or receiver for the purpose of having the firearm or frame or receiver imprinted with a serial number pursuant to federal law or section 2039;
- (4) A person who:

(a) Is in possession of a firearm or frame or receiver that has been without a serial number for no more than 48 hours; and

(b) Has an appointment with a federal firearms licensee pursuant to section 2039, subsection 1, paragraph C to have the firearm or frame or receiver imprinted with a serial number;

(5) An antique firearm as defined in Title 15, section 394, subsection 1, paragraph A;

(6) A curio or relic, as defined in 27 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 478.11, as in effect on November 19, 2019;

(7) A firearm that has been rendered permanently inoperable; or

(8) A firearm that was manufactured before 1968. [PL 2025, c. 537, §6 (NEW).]

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SECTION HISTORY

PL 2025, c. 537, §6 (NEW).

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