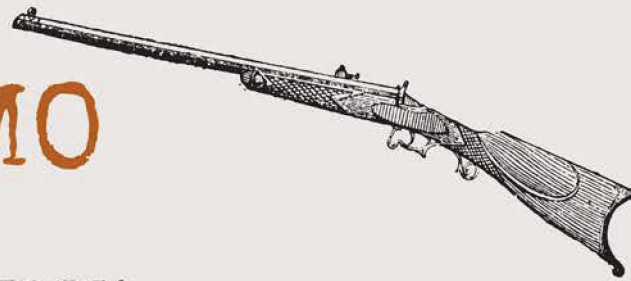


# RIFLES AND AMMO



## REQUIREMENTS FOR BRINGING A RIFLE INTO RSA

Travelling with a rifle can be a daunting task for any hunter. We are here to make it a slightly less scary experience. Be sure to have a look at the TSA requirements for travelling with a rifle and ammunition. What you will need to travel with your rifle to Africa:

### **CBC 4457 Form**

US Citizens will need to prove ownership of their rifles and ammunition. For this purpose, the CBC Form 4457 is used. It is a Certificate of Registration. Please download the 4457 Form or your Outfitter will provide you therewith. You will need to go to a US Customs office to get the Firearms listed and again upon arrival and returning you will need the completed and stamped form. Be sure the Manufacturer, caliber and serial number are listed on the form and are correct. Please note: U.S. Customs Form 4457 must be completed and stamped in the USA before boarding your flight to Africa.

### **SAPS 520 Form**

On the South African side, you will need to complete a SAPS (South African Police Service) 520 form. You can download the SAPS Form 520 or your Outfitter will provide it to you.

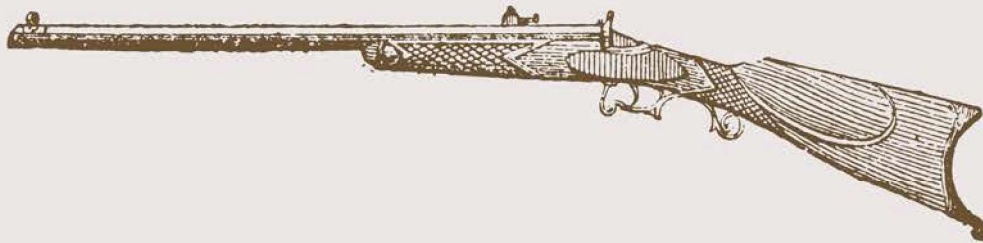


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## RENTING A RIFLE VS BRINGING A RIFLE

Whether you should rent a rifle or not when going on an African Hunting Safari depends on the *length* of time you will be hunting, the *country* you will be hunting in, the *quality of the outfitter's rental rifles* and how *attached* you are to your own rifles. If you do not have the correct caliber for dangerous game, then by all means you should rent a rifle from your outfitter's.

Some countries have expensive import fees or lengthy paperwork requirements, which puts many hunters off bringing their own rifles. Other hunters couldn't imagine hunting with another man's rifle. It's a very personal decision and completely up to you. In the end it boils down to how attached you are to your personal firearms.



## RIFLE CHOICE

Deciding which rifle to take on Safari is such a personal choice and one that each hunter must decide for him or herself. You are allowed to hunt with rifles from .243 calibre all the way to your .500. You are also allowed to hunt with longbows, crossbows, compound bows, handguns, muzzle loaders and many other weapons.

Every country has their own laws and regulations, along with minimum calibre requirements. For example, in South Africa the law allows hunting of Impala with anything from a .243 rifle, but hunting Cape Buffalo requires at least a calibre of .375 H&H.

If you are at all unsure we recommend having a chat with your Outfitter beforehand to make sure that the rifle and Ammo choice compliments the trophy you wish to take on your hunting safari, and at the very least meets the min requirements.