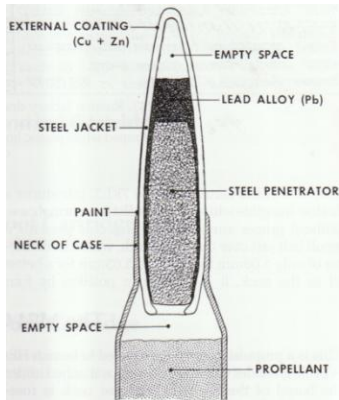


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5.45x39 MM 7N6 AK-74 PISTOLS History in the U.S.



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What Started all This?

What Is 5.45x39 Ammo?

What Is AP Ammo?

- Gun Control Act of 1968
- Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994

Who can Own AP Ammo?

7.62x39 Steel-Core “Ban”

5.45x39 Pistols

- XCR-L 5.45x39mm Pistol
- JBI Armory 5.45x39mm Pistol
- Horns Custom Rifles 5.45x39mm Pistol

Other “Rifle” Caliber Pistols

What is Next?

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What Is 5.45x39 Ammo?



Soviet original military issue **5N7** cartridge variant introduced in 1974

7N6 – (1987) bullet has a 1.43 g (22.1 gr) steel rod penetrator

7N10 – (1992) steel penetrator was increased to 1.76 g (27.2 gr)

7N22 – (1998) armour-piercing bullet (red ring, black tip)

sharp-pointed steel penetrator 1.75 g (27.0 gr)

7N24 - armor-piercing penetrator made of tungsten carbide 2.1 g (32.4 gr)

5.45 mm = 0.214 inch or .221 ?

5.45x39mm Avtomat Kalashnikov

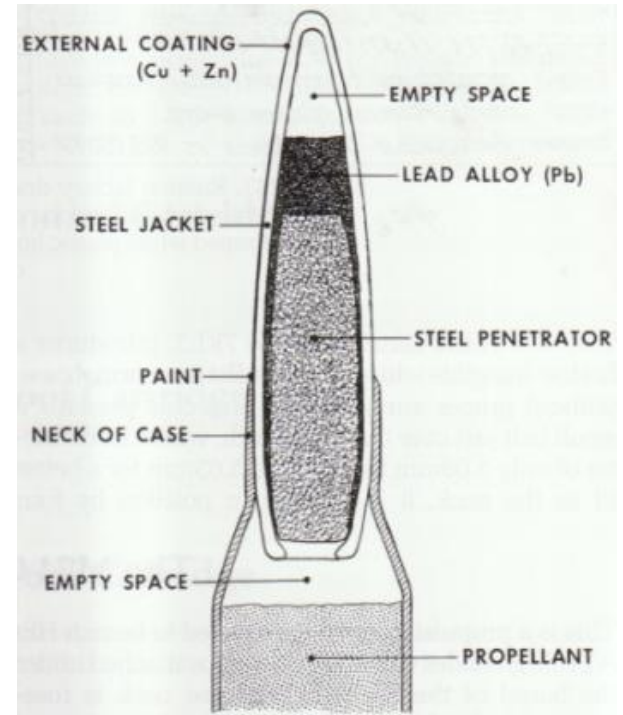
RIFLE- date: 1974



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What Is 5.45x39 Ammo?

- Unhardened steel core
- Covered by a thin lead coating
- Hollow cavity inside the nose



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What Is “AP” Ammo?

18 USC sec. 921(a)(17).

(B) The term “armor piercing ammunition” means-

(i) a projectile or projectile core which may be used in a handgun and which is constructed entirely (excluding the presence of traces of other substances) from one or a combination of tungsten alloys, steel, iron, brass, bronze, beryllium copper, or depleted uranium; or

(ii) a full jacketed projectile larger than .22 caliber designed and intended for use in a handgun and whose jacket has a weight of more than 25 percent of the total weight of the projectile.

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Gun Control Act of 1968

18 U.S. Code
§ 921 - Definitions

Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994

“Created” the definition of **Armor Piercing Ammunition** the following:

“... a full jacketed projectile larger than .22 caliber designed and intended for use in a handgun and whose jacket has a weight of more than 25 percent of the total weight of the projectile.”

Exemptions:

The following are exempted from the definition of armor piercing ammunition.

SS 109 & M855 5.56 mm (.223) Ammunition

Identified by a green projectile tip

U.S. M2AP .30-06 Ammunition

Identified by a black projectile tip

Who can Own AP Ammo?

If you are NOT an FFL

(Under Licensee of the Gun Control Act of 1968)

It is ok to:

OWN, SELL, BUY & SHOOT AP ammo

NOT ok

to MAKE

(18 USC 922(a)(7))

to IMPORT

(18 USC 922(a)(7))

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7.62x39 Steel-Core "Ban"

February 2, 1994

ATF issued notice to 35 importers of "7.62 X 39mm steel core ammunition" and all Federal Firearms Licensees

7.62 X 39mm steel core rounds were from then on considered "armor piercing."

the notification stated:

Production of handguns designed to fire 7.62 X 39mm steel core ammunition was cited as the reason for the reclassification of that ammunition as armor piercing (which) can only be sold to law enforcement or governmental agencies.

Prior to introduction of these handguns in the marketplace, 7.62 X 39mm ammunition was not considered armor piercing

ATF Director, John W. Magaw

"...these bullets are designed, when used in handguns, to pose a life-threatening risk to all law enforcement officers,"

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5.45x39 Pistols

2007 - Missouri Custom Armament

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XCR-L 5.45x39mm Pistol

XCR-L Pistol

Calibers:

5.56 Nato (.223 Rem.),

6.8 SPC

7.62x39mm

5.45x39mm

Overall Length:18"

Folded Length:N/A

Weight Empty:5.2 lbs

Barrel Lengths: 7.5"



<http://xcr.robarm.com/xcr1.php>

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JBI Armory 5.45x39mm Pistol

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Horns Custom Rifles 5.45x39mm Pistol

Manufactured by Horns Custom rifles
Flagstaff, AZ

- *Armory USA receiver*
- *Built on a Bulgarian kit*
- *Black DuraHeat high temp finish*
- *Accepts standard AK-74 mags*



“Most manufacturers will not build these as they erroneously believe that 5.45 pistols could get the inexpensive 7N6 Russian surplus ammunition banned from import.”

<http://www.gunbroker.com/Auction/ViewItem.aspx?Item=403279623>

Other “Rifle” Caliber Pistols

Thompson Contender –

Will this lead to a ban on most sporting rifle calibers that have a steel core

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Soo ?

Did anything really happen?

What is the ATF going to do?

Does the AP definition even apply?

5.45 mm = 0.214 inch or .221 ?

5.45x39mm Avtomat Kalashnikov
RIFLE- date: 1974

What is Next?

A federal agency, by law, should give 30 days notice
for public hearings before a rule change.

Barrel ban in 2005 ?
Shotgun Drums in 2011 ?

Why would it matter that citizens have armor piercing ammo?

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- [Internal Revenue Code:Sec. 5845](http://uscode.house.gov/download/pls/26C53.txt)
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- [ATF Study on the Importability of Certain Shotguns](http://www.atf.gov/publications/firearms/012611-study-on-importality-of-certain-shotguns.pdf)
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