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Assault Weapons and the SAFE Act

New York State passed the SAFE Act (Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement Act) to prevent criminals and the dangerously mentally ill from purchasing firearms, to prevent the possession of automatic assault weapons, and to provide for the registration of certain semi-automatic weapons.

Most firearms that are used for hunting are not assault weapons and are not affected by the SAFE Act. However, certain characteristics of a firearm may require you to register your gun.

Registration is required for semi-automatic* rifles** capable of receiving a detachable magazine AND have one or more of the following military characteristics:

A folding stock



A telescoping stock



A protruding pistol grip



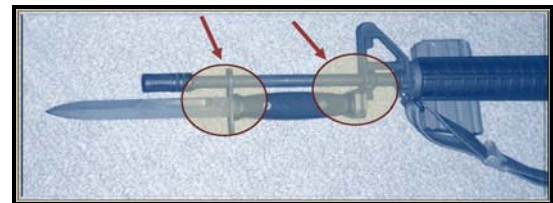
A thumbhole stock



A second handgrip or protruding grip that can be held by the non-shooting hand



A bayonet mount



A flash suppressor, muzzle brake, muzzle compensator, or a threaded barrel designed to accommodate a flash suppressor, muzzle brake, muzzle compensator



*A semi-automatic ejects a shell and loads the next round of ammunition automatically, but requires a squeeze of the trigger for each shot. Automatic firearms keep firing until the trigger is released or the ammunition is gone, and were illegal even prior to the SAFE Act.

**Handguns and shotguns may also be assault weapons. See the NYS web-site below for more information.

Dibble & Miller Can Help

More information about other firearms that may require registration or that are prohibited by the SAFE Act is available by contacting Dibble & Miller, P.C. If you have any other questions about an individual's rights or responsibilities under the laws governing firearms, please contact us for assistance.

And, more information about the SAFE Act can also be found on the Internet at NYS's website located at: <http://www.governor.ny.gov/nysafeact/gun-reform>. The state's website even provides an interactive tool, which can be used to see if your firearms require registration under the SAFE Act, and has more photographs of features that may require registration (Note: some of the photographs on the state website appear in this newsletter).

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