

Our Plan

Canada's firearms legislation must protect society from the criminal misuse of firearms and prioritize the deterrence and punishment of criminals.

Legal firearms owners deserve a legal framework that protects their property rights and treats them with **fairness** and **respect**. We need a common-sense approach to gun control that promotes safety while removing the threat of arbitrary criminal prosecution.

A People's Party government will:

- Replace the Firearms Act and supporting legislation with new legislation that will prioritize effective measures to improve public safety and fight crime in Canada.
- Replace the costly and burdensome licensing system with an efficient lifetime certification system for firearms owners following mandatory vetting, safety training and testing. To avoid criminalizing legal gun owners and guarantee their property rights, this system will legalize simple possession of firearms for certified Canadians as long as they use their firearms lawfully and don't commit some other crime which would disqualify them from firearms ownership.
- Require that all firearms categories be based on function, not on looks or arbitrary political whims, and remove ineffective restrictions which unfairly target sport shooters, but have no deterrent effect on criminals.
- Mandate that all future changes to firearms regulation be completed through Parliament only. This means that neither the RCMP nor cabinet will be able to move the legal goalposts for legal firearms owners without the approval of Parliament.