



Sole Source Manufacturer of Concealed Carry Rifles

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To: Whom it May Concern

FoldAR is the sole source manufacturer and exclusive distributor of the following equipment:

1. Any fully assembled rifle-calibered firearm having a butt stock (or pistol brace) and muzzle device installed; and
 - a. having a barrel length of at least 16"; and
with its most compact configuration, having an overall length less than 26"; or
[FoldAR Watchman folded 16" barrel (unsuppressed) has an OAL less than 18"]
 - b. having a barrel length of at least 7.5"; and
with an attached suppressor, having a length of at least 5.5"; and
with its most compact configuration, having an overall length less than 22"; or
[FoldAR Shepherd folded 9" barrel (suppressed) has an OAL less than 15"]
 - c. having a barrel length of at least 5.5"; and
with an attached suppressor, having a length of at least 5.5"; and
with its most compact configuration, having an overall length less than 20"; or
[FoldAR Shepherd folded 9" barrel (suppressed) has an OAL less than 14"]
 - d. having a barrel length of at least 5.5" with no suppressor; and
with its most compact configuration, having an overall length less than 16".
[FoldAR Remnant w/10.5" barrel (unsuppressed) has an OAL less than 12"]
[FoldAR Remnant w/7.5" barrel (suppressed) has an OAL less than 12"]
2. Any rifle-caliber firearm that folds laterally near the barrel-breech interface.
 1. Any firearm separated by an upper receiver and a lower receiver which includes a locking joint for the purpose of eliminating wobble between the two main subassemblies (lower subassembly and upper subassembly) of the firearm.
3. Any packaged kit containing items 1, 2, or 3 above.

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Concealed Carry Rifle - Background of Parameters and Definitions

FoldAR is the sole source manufacturer and exclusive distributor of the most concealable and capable weapon system ever created. We accomplish this with our patented folding barrel interface. This sole-source letter defines the following terms broadly as to be construed in favor of public participation:

1. **Fully assembled:** Some alternative products can be disassembled before meeting the parameters outlined below. We find that operators of such equipment are typically unable to meet qualification standards and generally do not wish to carry a disassembled firearm. Likewise, maintenance is more tedious.
2. **Rifle-caliber firearm:** Pistol caliber firearms (even if configured in the form of a rifle) are not sufficient against many modern-day threats, particularly against armor, distant on-the-move engagements, or anywhere precision is needed. The FoldAR weapon system is not a substitute for carrying a handgun; rather, the tools are used complementarily for a broad range of threats and scenarios.
3. **Butt Stock (or pistol brace):** Some alternative products are supplied without a butt stock or pistol brace installed in an attempt to make a firearm more compact and concealable. However, an installed butt stock (or pistol brace) is essential and necessary for controlled maneuverability and recoil management.
4. **Barrels at least 16":** "Long guns" and "rifles" are defined as having a barrel length of at least 16".
5. **Barrels at least 7.5":** 5.56x45 NATO is law enforcement's most commonly used rifle caliber cartridge. It is well established that a firearm of this caliber with a 7.5" barrel edges on the fence of operational reliability and ballistic performance. We have found that a minimum barrel length of 9" is necessary for armor penetration using M855 ammunition which provides a muzzle velocity of at least 2550ft/s, and a barrel length of 10.5" establishing more reliable armor penetrating ballistics.
6. **Barrels at least 5.5":** Some firearms are produced with shorter barrels in an attempt to create Concealed Carry Rifles. However, even these are outside EDC parameters when a suppressor is attached [≥22"].
7. **Suppressor longer than 5.5":** Most "compact" suppressors are 6" or longer. While a suppressor is not necessary for the proper functionality of a firearm, we find that suppressors are essential for an operator's ability to perform tactical duties, particularly that of an SBLE/SRO. It is well established that firing a short barrel rifle indoors without a suppressor installed will cause a significant degree of permanent hearing loss, disorienting the operator and impeding his ability to communicate with responding team members.
8. **EveryDay Carry sling-packs/backpacks:** FoldAR defines a Concealed Carry Rifle as a fully assembled rifle-caliber firearm with butt stock installed, having an overall length of less than 18" in its most compact configuration. However, the dimensions of Everyday Carry sling-packs and backpacks will define the level of concealability. We find that EDC sling-packs and backpacks are between 18" and 22" in height. As such, muzzle-printing on the EDC sling-pack or backpack would be disqualified from the "concealed" parameter.



Conclusion:

While leaning towards a more competitive approach within these parameters, FoldAR provides the only weapon system able to fit concealed inside even the largest of EDC backpacks. Being far inside those parameters, FoldAR offers configurations that are concealable between 12” and 18”.

US Utility Patent References:

- 9,995,556 Folding Firearm and Related Methods
- 10,605,563 Firearm with Laterally Folding Forearm and Barrel, Related Methods
- 10,704,860 Firearm with Laterally Folding Forearm and Barrel, Related Methods
- 9,568,261 Firearms Receiver with Integrated Locking Joint