

# SERIAL NUMBERS ON BULLETS?



## The Serialization of Bullets

Dear all hunters and shooters out there. Our rights of firearms are under attack. However, this issue at hand has nothing to do with eliminating access to hunting land or just imposing minimum age limits for hunters. This time the threat comes in the process of the serialization of bullets. The manufacturing process of bullet serialization is where each bullet and their casings are laser engraved with a matching serial number.

As early as the year of 2009, if the legislation is passed in a number of states, that are currently discussing these bills, our reality could include the surrendering and disposing of our currently legal, non-serialized ammunition. This would cause a colossal jump in ammunition costs for individuals, law enforcement and even the military. This would bring an end to reloading ammunition altogether, and it would add a tax on each round of ammunition. This could also potentially cost the ammunition companies oodles of money to convert their manufacturing processes.

Also, our personal information and the ammunition serial numbers will be added into a database. We will eternally be tied to every box of ammunition we purchase.

The idea of bullet serialization was cooked up by Russ Ford of Ammunition Coding Systems. Ford claims an optical character recognition system used by the United States Postal System, among other companies, could be incorporated by ammunition manufacturers. However, this will make it so that it would be impossible to turn a profit for the country's largest ammunition manufacturers.

According to the National Shooting Sports website, 18 states have actually considered or are considering the bullet serialization bills. Because politicians across the country have tried time and time again, but have failed to directly take away our firearms, they are planning to go after the next best thing, ammunition.

While there are many visible flaws with Ford's bullet serialization proposal, the outcome is that his claims have not been tested by any ammunition manufacturers. As of today, Ford's proposal still has not become nothing more than a theory.

If you would like to further track these bills, you can find it here:

<http://www.trendtrack.com/texis/app/viewrpt?report=47f4df5e7>

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