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**To:** [Rumbelow, Rita \(USAWIW\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Aalto, Michael G. \(ATF\)](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Gun Question  
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Thanks, Rita. I appreciate the quick answer.

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**From:** Rumbelow, Rita (USAWIW) [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 21, 2020 11:02 AM  
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No. Just the receiver satisfies the federal definition of a firearm. We never have to prove at trial that they are operable.

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**From:** Raubal, Douglas J. (MW) (FBI) [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 21, 2020 10:49 AM  
**To:** Rumbelow, Rita (USAWIW) [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Gun Question

Hey Rita, this is Doug Raubal from the FBI. I have a fairly specific gun question: Can a felon who is prohibited possess/carry a firearm which has been deactivated and rendered nonfunctional? If you want, you can call me at [REDACTED] at your convenience. Or reply to this email whichever is best for you.

Thanks,

Doug

SA Douglas Raubal  
FBI Madison  
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