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### List of Prohibited Items according to EU Regulations

The following items, which are a potential threat to aviation security, are not allowed through security checkpoints and will be taken from passengers entering a security area or boarding an aircraft:

**Guns, firearms & weapons** Any object capable or appearing capable of discharging a projectile or causing injury, specifically:

All firearms (pistols, revolvers, rifles, shotguns etc.)	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	Weapons requiring a license under the German Weapons Act. Proof of authorized possession (e.g., gun license) must be provided.
Replica and imitation firearms	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	Replica and imitation firearms do not fall under the Weapons Act; therefore no license is required.
Component parts of firearms	<b>No</b> (excluding telescopic sight / aiming devices)	<b>Yes</b>	A license is required only for the vital parts! These include: locks and breeches, barrels, pistol and revolver stocks. Proof of authorized possession (license) must be provided for these vital parts. All other component parts of firearms do not require a license.
Camouflaged guns, firearms, weapons (which are designed to deceive or function as artifice)	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Generally prohibited under the Weapons Act; (Illegal possession of such weapons is a criminal offense.)</b>

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Compressed air pistols of all types, rifles	No	Yes	The purchase and possession of air guns and springpowered air guns with the identification marking F in a pentagon are not subject to a license for person of age 18 and older; Possession of firearms is subject to a license. (Proof of authorized possession must be provided.)
Signal/flare pistols	No	Yes	<b>The purchase and possession of signal/flare pistols carrying the identification marking PTB in a circle, are not subject to a license for persons of age 18 and older; transportation permitted only when signal ammunition is removed (dangerous good)</b>
Starter pistols	No	Yes	<b>With identification marker PTB in a circle not subject to a license for persons age 18 and older; otherwise subject to a license.</b>
Compressed air guns	No	Yes	With identification marker F in a pentagon, purchase and possession are not subject to a license for persons age 18 and older.
Toy pistols of all types	No	Yes	Do not fall under the Weapons Act. Exception: Softair guns with a ballistic energy of more than 0.5 joule.
Animal killing equipment, industrial bolt-driving and nail guns	No	Yes	<b>Do not fall under the Firearms Act; transportation only when ammunition is removed (dangerous good)</b>
Crossbows, harpoons, arrows, laser equipment, catapults	No	Yes	Minimum age 18
Precision catapult	No	No	<b>Generally prohibited weapon under the Weapons Act. (Illegal possession is a punishable offense.)</b>

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Stun guns or shocking devices	<b>No</b>	Still permitted in carry-on luggage!	<b>Generally prohibited weapons under the Weapons Act, if without a government certification label</b> <b>Exception: Until 31 December 2010, devices (even without government certification labels) are exempted and, therefore, are still permitted!</b> <b>Requirement: Person carrying the device must be age 18 or older.</b>
Lighters shaped like a firearm	<b>No</b>	Not allowed in carry-on luggage if it can be used as a lighter (with gas or lighter fluid)!	<b>Do not fall under the Weapons Act.</b>
Dummies of above items	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Do not fall under the Weapons Act.</b>

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<b>Pointed/edged weapons and sharp objects</b> Pointed or edged articles capable of causing injury, specifically:			
All types of knives with blades of more than 6cm in length, made of metal or any other material strong enough to use as a weapon, including ritual knives daggers, stilettos, sabers, swords, swordsticks and other cutting and stabbing weapons/devices	<b>No</b> Other sharp/pointed objects such as nail scissors, nail files, nail clippers, corkscrews, once-only razors, changeable razor blades enclosed in plastic cartridges, pincers, tobacco pipe stoppers and pocket knives up to 6 cm length are generally allowed in checked baggage.	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Attention: According to current aviation security laws for hand-luggage all knives and scissors with a length exceeding 6 cm are prohibited. Any attempt to pass security checkpoints with these items is a criminal offense that will be reported to the police.</b>
Lockable or flick knives with blades of any length, e.g. butterfly, fist, pen, hunting and drop knives	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Generally prohibited weapons under the Weapons Act. Illegal possession is a criminal offense.</b>
Machetes	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	As a tool they do not fall under the Weapons Act.
Open razors and blades (excluding safety or disposable razors with blades enclosed in cartridge)	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	As articles of daily use they do not fall under the Weapons Act.
Scalpels and scissors [with blades of more than 6cm length: violation of Article 19 of the Aviation Security Act (LuftSiG)]	<b>No But with blades shorter than 6 cm permitted</b>	<b>Yes</b>	As a tool they do not fall under the Weapons Act.
Axes and hatchets, arrows and darts, harpoons and spears, ice picks, ice skates, crampons, harpoon and spear guns, meat cleavers, ski and walking/hiking poles	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	As a tool or sport equipment they do not fall under the Weapons Act.

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Throwing stars	No	No	<b>Generally prohibited weapon under the Weapons Act. Illegal possession is a criminal offense.</b>
Tools that have the potential to be used as a pointed or edged weapon, e.g. drills and drill bits, box cutters, utility knives, all saws, screwdrivers, crowbars, hammers, pliers, wrenches/spanners, blow torches	No	Yes	As a tool they do not fall under the Weapons Act.
<b>Blunt instruments</b> Any blunt instrument capable of causing injury, specifically:			
Baseball and softball bats, cricket bats, golf clubs, hockey sticks, lacrosse sticks, kayak and canoe paddles, skateboards, billiard, snooker and pool cues, fishing rods*	<b>No, * according to an order by the German Ministry of the Interior tennis rackets may be carried in handluggage</b>	Yes	As sports equipment they do not fall under the provisions of the Weapons Act.
Clubs or batons whether rigid or flexible, e.g. billy clubs, rubber clubs and sticks	No	Yes	Fall under the provisions of the Weapons Act; minimum age 18.
Steel or iron clubs, knuckle dusters, sharp throwing devices	No	No	<b>Generally prohibited weapon under the Weapons Act. Illegal possession is a criminal offense.</b>
Martial arts devices such as clubs, coshes, blackjacks, flails, numchucks, kubatons, kubasaunts.	No	<b>Only permitted in checked baggage if not outlawed by gun laws</b>	Minimum age for such items as weapons is 18 years. If classified as sports equipment, these items do not fall under the Weapons Act. Classification is made by the German Federal Police.

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<b>Explosives and flammable substances</b> Any explosive or highly combustible substance which poses a risk to the health of passengers and crew or the security / safety of aircraft or property, specifically:			
Ammunition	<b>No</b>	Permitted in checked baggage if not exceeding 5 kg!	<b>Dangerous good; falls under the Weapons Act. Firearms license required!</b>
Grenades of all types (hand grenades, rocket grenades and similar explosives), blasting caps, detonators and fuses	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Prohibited by the military weapons law and the law governing the production and use of explosives. Illegal possession is a criminal offense.</b>
Replica or imitation explosive material or devices	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Do not fall under the military weapons law or the law governing the production and use of explosives.</b>
Explosives and explosive devices, mines and other explosive military hardware	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Prohibited by the military weapons law and the law governing the production and use of explosives (Commercial explosives are subject to licensing according to the law on the production and use of explosives.); Illegal possession is a criminal offense.</b>
Gas and gas containers e.g. butane, propane, acetylene, oxygen – in large volumes	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Prohibited in checked baggage, because these are dangerous goods.</b> (Permitted: small amounts of oxygen for medical purposes sufficient and essential for the passenger to be on the aircraft/flight.)
Toy guns with ignition/blasting caps	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Ignition/blasting caps are a dangerous good and are, therefore, not permitted in checked baggage</b>
Lighters (e. g. Zippo) capable of being refilled with lighter fluid; lighters without lighter fluid or other flammable filling substances are allowed	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>

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Gas lighters	<b>No. However, one gas lighter for own use is permitted per person.</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>
Matches that strike on all surfaces	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>
Smoke generating canisters or cartridges	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>
Flammable liquid fuels e.g. petrol / gasoline, diesel, lighter fluid, alcohol, ethanol, methanol	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>
Flammable solids and reactive substances, including magnesium, firelighters, fireworks, flares, torches	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>
Turpentine and paint diluters paints and varnishes staining liquids, corrosive and polishing agents, etc.	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>
Aerosol spray paint (in cans)	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>
Alcoholic beverages exceeding 70 % alcohol volume	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>
Fireworks, flares, torches in any form and other pyrotechnical items (including "party poppers")	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>
Any type of rockets or similar items used for the distribution or ignition of easily flammable substances	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Prohibited under the Weapons Act.</b>

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<b>Chemical and toxic substances</b> Any chemical or toxic substance which poses a risk to the health of passengers and crew or the security / safety of aircraft or property, specifically:			
Any form of tear gas sprays and all items used for the distribution of irritating or anesthetic substances Mace, pepper spray, tear gas	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>With government certification label permitted for persons age 18 and older; without government certification label generally prohibited under the Weapons Act. Illegal possession and use is a criminal offense. PROHIBITED according to dangerous goods regulations !!!</b>
Acids and alkalis, e.g. batteries that can leak or spill Corrosive or bleaching substances, e.g. mercury, chlorine	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>
Materials or substances that can burst into flame immediately	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>
Radioactive material, e.g. medical or commercial isotopes	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>
Poisons	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>
Infectious or dangerous materials in a biological sense such as infected blood, bacteria, viruses, rat poison	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>
Fire extinguishers	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>
Oxidizers and organic peroxides, including bleaching liquids, repair kits to work on the body of cars	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>
Corrosives, including mercury, car batteries	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>
Vehicle (car) fuel system components which have previously contained fuel	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Dangerous Goods</b>

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**General Information: Applies for all flights originating within the European Union – including domestic flights**

Liquids, gels and items of similar consistency	<p>Passengers may no longer carry liquids or comparable items of similar consistency through the security checkpoint (such as gels, pastes, lotions, toothpaste, hair gel, beverages, soups, syrup, perfume, shaving cream, deodorants, shampoos, mascara, oils, mixtures of liquids and solid material as well as contents of pressure tanks and other items of similar consistency) <b>unless</b> the items are in individual containers with a capacity not over 100 ml per individual container or 100 gram weight indication and all individual containers are packed in a clear plastic, zip-top bag not having a capacity of more than 1 liter. Only one such bag is permitted per passenger. Larger bags are not permitted. All individual containers must fit in this one bag which must be completely closed without anything sticking out. The plastic bag must easily open and shut</p>	<p><b>Yes, if not in conflict with regulations governing dangerous goods in check-in baggage on aircraft.</b></p>	<p><b>This regulation has been effective since November 6, 2006, at all airports within the EU and in Norway, Iceland and Switzerland until further notice.</b></p>
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	<p>(e.g. zipper, Velcro, pressure or string-pull closure system). The plastic bag must be taken out of any carry-on baggage and put into a tray separate from the remaining carry-on baggage at the security checkpoint. <b>Exception Baby food / baby milk and essential medications required during the flight. These must also be shown at the security checkpoint, However, they must not be packed in a plastic bag.</b></p>		

**List of abbreviations:**

EU-VO Regulation of the European Parliament and Council of Ministers  
PTB Physikalische-Technische-Bundesanstalt (German national metrology institute)  
WaffG German Weapons Act