FN FAL (& close derivatives)

TYPE: RIFLE **ALSO REFERRED TO AS:** FAL, FN, SLR



Technical Information

Calibre 7.62 x 51 mm NATO

Length 1090 mm

Weight (unloaded) 4.45 kg

Barrel length 533 mm

Feed device 20-round detachable box magazine

Sighting systems Fore: Post Rear: Aperture, sliding

Operating system Gas, selective fire

Rate of fire 600-700 rds/min

Muzzle velocity 840 m/s

Accessories Bayonet

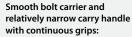


Variants and their distinguishing features

VARIANTS

(Model/manufacturer) • FN FAL FN 50-00 / 50-64 / 50-41; Belgium, Argentina, Mexico • FN FAL 50-63; Belgium • FN FAL; Israel • L1A1 (SLR); Australia, United Kingdom • Imbel SAR / Para-SAR / MD series; Brazil • C1A1; Canada • 1A1; India • R1; South Africa • SA58; United States Oblique cuts on the bolt carrier (top of picture) and a broad carry handle with finger grips on one side:

BOLT CARRIER AND CARRY HANDLE





L1A1
 1A1



► All other models

FN 50-63 / 50-64

Imbel Para-SAR

STOCK DESIGN

Fixed

Folding





FN FAL FN 50-00

- FN 50-41
 L1A1
- ► 1A1
- Imbel SAR

COCKING HANDLE

Flush-folding

► R1

Non-folding



L1A1
 1A1

All other models

Points to include when recording information about the weapon:

1. Serial number, including all prefix and suffix characters

2. Characters adjacent to fire selector

3. Any other engraved/stamped information on weapon

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• Expect regular use • Expect occasional use • O Do not expect use

The Fabrique Nationale FAL was developed in the late 1940s. The slim, elongated profile of

the weapon is its most distinctive feature, in

forward of the hand guards.

Region

Western Europe

Eastern Europe

Central Asia

North America

Central America

South America

South Asia

East Asia

Pacific

Sub-Saharan Africa

Middle East & North Africa

PROBABLE GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION

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the receiver and the long barrel/flash eliminator

Make a full and informed appraisal of the local security situation before conducting any research related to small arms and light weapons.