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Sporting shooters in Australia cannot understand the logic behind the banning of sound moderators for sporting firearms. Many countries like N.Z. and UK have similar, if not more severe restrictions on their firearm owners, yet they advocate the use of sound moderators on all high powered rifles. The logic behind this is that farm animals and other natives are not unduly traumatised by the sound of gunfire. Criminals are not very likely to fit a cumbersome moderator to their sawn-off rifle , even if there was enough room to fit one. To actually say that sound moderators are a danger to the public, or to use this as an excuse for their ban is a falacy!

Regards,

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