Subject: Re: Guns
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Not to offend anyone, especially you Akhilesh, as I consider you a friend, but one gun many times is not enough for hunting. Different guns have different capabilities as far as range, knockdown power, etc. While you most certainly could dispatch an elk with a 30-06, if you were hunting antelope you would basically destroy any meat that could be utilized. When open range hunting of coyotes is done, you want a small caliber rifle such as a 22-250, because it shoots very flat at extended distances and tends to cause little damage to the pelt. Any larger rifle will do more damage resulting in a loss of $$$ for said pelt. Now a deer could be killed with a 22-250 with a proper shot placement, but in Ks a 243 is minimum required caliber. So now you've went from a 400 yard gun to a 200 yard gun if you factor in proper shot placement. A marginal hit for any reason and you've just given yourself a long hard day of tracking and a wounded animal which is not good. As a person who's been hunting since he was old enough to carry a gun (read 7)I know better than to think you can own just one rifle for hunting purposes, unless you only hunt one species, and that is a different matter altogether. And if you're a target shooter, many ranges won't let you shoot anything bigger than a 22.