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## **United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) Office Action (Official Letter) About Applicant's Trademark Application**

U.S. Application Serial No. 97060107

Mark: TRUCKVAULT

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### SUBSEQUENT FINAL OFFICE ACTION

**Issue date:** August 30, 2023

#### Introduction

In a previous Final Office Action dated November 7, 2022, the trademark examining attorney refused registration of the applied-for mark based on the following: Trademark Act Section 2(e)(1) for merely describing a feature, characteristic, purpose or function of applicant's goods.

On May 4, 2023, Applicant filed a Notice of Appeal before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board, and on June 13, 2023, applicant filed Applicant's Brief on Appeal from Final Office Action. On July 26, 2023, the trademark examining attorney filed a Motion to Request Suspension of the Appeal and Remand of the Application, on the basis that a new examining attorney has taken over the case and wished to supplement the evidence of record. The Trademark Trial and Appeal Board granted the

request for remand and suspended the appeal.

The trademark examining attorney maintains the FINAL refusal in the summary of issues below. See 37 C.F.R. §2.63(b); TMEP §714.04.

Upon submission of this Subsequent Final Office Action, the appeal will be resumed. TBMP §1207.02.

#### Summary of Issues made FINAL that applicant must address:

Section 2(e)(1) Refusal - Merely Descriptive

#### Section 2(e)(1) Refusal - Merely Descriptive

Registration is refused because the applied-for mark merely describes a feature, characteristic, purpose, and/or function of Applicant's goods. Trademark Act Section 2(e)(1), 15 U.S.C. §1052(e)(1); see TMEP §§1209.01(b), 1209.03 et seq. This refusal is now made FINAL.

A mark is merely descriptive if it describes an ingredient, quality, characteristic, function, feature, purpose, or use of an applicant's goods. TMEP §1209.01(b); see, e.g., In re TriVita, Inc., 783 F.3d 872, 874, 114 USPQ2d 1574, 1575 (Fed. Cir. 2015) (quoting In re Oppedahl & Larson LLP, 373 F.3d 1171, 1173, 71 USPQ2d 1370, 1371 (Fed. Cir. 2004)); In re Steelbuilding.com, 415 F.3d 1293, 1297, 75 USPQ2d 1420, 1421 (Fed. Cir. 2005) (citing Estate of P.D. Beckwith, Inc. v. Comm'r of Patents, 252 U.S. 538, 543 (1920)).

Applicant seeks registration of **TRUCKVAULT** (standard characters) for "storage vaults specially fitted for the cargo areas of cars, trucks, vans and sport utility vehicles" in International Class 012.

Generally, if the individual components of a mark retain their descriptive meaning in relation to the goods and/or services, the combination results in a composite mark that is itself descriptive and not registrable. *In re Zuma Array Ltd.*, 2022 USPQ2d 736, at \*7 (TTAB 2022); *In re Fat Boys Water Sports LLC*, 118 USPQ2d 1511, 1516 (TTAB 2016); TMEP §1209.03(d); *see, e.g., DuoProSS Meditech Corp. v. Inviro Med. Devices, Ltd.*, 695 F.3d 1247, 1255, 103 USPQ2d 1753, 1758 (Fed. Cir. 2012) (holding SNAP SIMPLY SAFER merely descriptive for various medical devices, such as hypodermic, aspiration, and injection needles and syringes); *In re Fallon*, 2020 USPQ2d 11249, at \*12 (TTAB 2020) (holding THERMAL MATRIX merely descriptive of a heat-responsive, malleable liner that is an integral component of an oral dental appliance).

Only where the combination of descriptive terms creates a unitary mark with a unique, incongruous, or otherwise nondescriptive meaning in relation to the goods and/or services is the combined mark registrable. See In re Omniome, Inc., 2020 USPQ2d 3222, at \*4 (TTAB 2019) (citing In re Colonial Stores, Inc., 394 F.2d 549, 551, 157 USPQ 382, 384 (C.C.P.A. 1968); In re Shutts, 217 USPQ 363, 364-65 (TTAB 1983)); In re Positec Grp. Ltd., 108 USPQ2d 1161, 1162-63 (TTAB 2013).

In this case, both the individual components and the composite result are descriptive of applicant's goods and/or services and do not create a unique, incongruous, or nondescriptive meaning in relation to the goods and/or services. Specifically, the term **VAULT** describes applicant's identified goods of storage **VAULTS**, and **TRUCK** describes a characteristic of the identified goods which are specially fitted for the cargo areas of **TRUCKS**. *See also* the previously attached internet evidence defining **TRUCK** as a wheeled vehicle for moving heavy articles, thus describing applicant's cars, trucks, vans

and sport utility vehicles; *see also* the previously attached internet evidence defining **VAULT** as a compartment for the safekeeping of valuables. When combined in the mark, the term **TRUCKVAULT** is highly descriptive, if not generic, of the identified goods of storage vaults specially fitted for the cargo areas of cars, trucks, vans and sport utility vehicles. *See also* the previously attached third party registrations treating **VAULT** descriptively for vault related goods.

Notably, applicant utilizes the wording **VAULT** descriptively to describe its goods. Applicant explains on its website that, "Following in that tradition, we're still making vaults for nearly every truck on the market, including, but certainly not limited to the Ford F-series, Chevrolet Silverado, Dodge Ram, and GMC Sierra". *See* the attached *TruckVault* webpage. Applicant continues, "And though we now make TruckVaults for virtually any vehicle on the road, we're staying true to our name by continuing to build custom vaults for our original customers - those with pickup trucks who have expensive gear they need to keep safe and secure". *See id.* ("After the launch of our popular Extreme Series All-Weather vaults for open-bed pickups and SUVs we needed a way to prove how rugged durable and water-tight they really were"; "We have a line of quick access gun vaults called ShotLock we make them for Shotguns, compact carry and 1911 frame Pistols"; "Can it take the heat? We tracked down a truck-sized oven to find out. In an effort to simulate the brutal desert heat inside a vehicle at midday, we tested to see what kind of effect 150° Fahrenheit had on our vaults").

Furthermore, the attached evidence demonstrates that the wording "truck vault" is commonly used to refer to goods of the type applicant provides. Specifically, it is a compartment used "to securely store items in a vehicle" like a truck, and is typically used as "gun storage container". See the attached Motortrend, The Reflector, United Commerce Group, and Decked webpages; see also the attached State News Service and Global Broadcast Database articles. Companies that sell these types of gun storage containers typically refer to them as "truck vaults" on their webpages. See the attached Gun Safes, S&S Canopies & Campers, Alpha Outdoor Specialities webpages. Indeed, consumers frequently refer to these gun storage containers specifically made to fit inside a truck as "truck vaults." See the attached Concealed Carry, Michigan Sportsman, Refuge Forums, and Retriever Training webpages.

Lastly, third-parties commonly utilize the wording "vault" to refer to storage containers specifically fitted for cargo areas of vehicles, the type of goods applicant provides. See the attached Kar Kraft, Dana Safety Supply, Guardian Safe and Vault, Console Vault, Forbes, Secure Vehicle Solutions, Detroit Free Press, Task and Purpose, Motor Biscuit, Rockland Custom Products, and Ford webpages.

#### Applicant's Arguments Are Unpersuasive

Applicant's main argument is that marks in applicant's prior registrations and applications that featured the same literal element for similar goods did not treat the mark as descriptive. The examining attorney notes that the goods in those registrations and applications were not identified as "storage vaults," as they are identified in the current application. As applied to the "storage vaults specially fitted for the cargo areas of cars, trucks, vans and sport utility vehicles" identified in the current application, the wording **TRUCKVAULT** is highly descriptive if not generic. Moreover, an applied-for mark that is merely descriptive or generic does not become registrable simply because other seemly similar marks appear on the register. *In re Consumer Prot. Firm PLLC*, 2021 USPQ2d 238, at \*22 (citing *In re Scholastic Testing Serv., Inc.*, 196 USPQ 517, 519 (TTAB 1977)); TMEP §1209.03(a). It is well settled that each application must be decided on its own facts; the USPTO is not bound by prior decisions involving different records. *See In re Boulevard Ent., Inc.*, 334 F.3d 1336, 1343, 67 USPQ2d

1475, 1480 (Fed. Cir. 2003) (citing *In re Nett Designs, Inc.*, 236 F.3d at 1342, 57 USPQ2d at 1566); *In re Datapipe, Inc.*, 111 USPQ2d 1330, 1336 (TTAB 2014); TMEP §1209.03(a).

Next, applicant argues that the mark is unitary due to being a compound term. This argument misses the mark, however, as a "telescoped mark," which consists of two or more words combined to create a single word that shares letters, is merely descriptive or generic if the individual words are descriptive or generic and if the words retain their descriptive or generic meaning within the telescoped mark. *See In re Omaha Nat'l Corp.*, 819 F.2d 1117, 1118, 2 USPQ2d 1859, 1860 (Fed. Cir. 1987) (holding FIRSTIER merely descriptive of banking services); *In re Greenliant Sys. Ltd.*, 97 USPQ2d 1078, 1083 (TTAB 2010) (holding NANDRIVE, a telescoped mark of the generic term "nand drive," generic for electronic integrated circuits, including flash memory drives); TMEP §§1209.01(c)(i), 1209.03(d).

For the foregoing reasons, the mark is descriptive of applicant's goods and the refusal to register is **made final**. *See* 37 C.F.R. §2.63(b); TMEP §714.04.

#### Generic Advisory

In addition to being merely descriptive, the applied-for mark appears to be generic in connection with the identified goods and/or services. "A generic mark, being the 'ultimate in descriptiveness,' cannot acquire distinctiveness" and thus is not entitled to registration on either the Principal or Supplemental Register under any circumstances. *In re La. Fish Fry Prods.*, *Ltd.*, 797 F.3d 1332, 1336, 116 USPQ2d 1262, 1264 (Fed. Cir. 2015) (quoting *H. Marvin Ginn Corp. v. Int'l Ass'n of Fire Chiefs, Inc.*, 782 F.2d 987, 989, 228 USPQ 528, 530 (Fed. Cir. 1986)); *see* TMEP §\$1209.01(c) *et seq.*, 1209.02(a). Therefore, the trademark examining attorney cannot recommend that applicant amend the application to proceed under Trademark Act Section 2(f) or on the Supplemental Register as possible response options to this refusal. *See* TMEP §1209.01(c).

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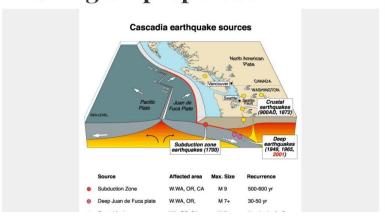
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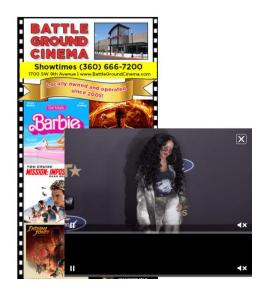


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# The Big One: Is Southwest Washington prepared?





#### The Cascadia Subduction Zone and the earthquakes near the fault over the years.













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Five and a half minutes is about how long it takes to microwave a pot pie or listen to Billy Joel's "Piano Man" once through. It's also how long the intense shaking from the Cascadia Earthquake — often referred to simply as "The Big One" — is expected to last.

Nearly nine years ago, a magnitude 9 earthquake shook the northeastern corner of Japan for close to six full minutes. The March 11, 2011, earthquake with an epicenter near Tohoku destroyed more than 120,000 buildings and, according to Japan's Reconstruction Agency, caused an estimated \$199 billion dollars of damage, making it the most expensive natural disaster in world history.

Experts say a similar earthquake is "overdue" and should be expected to hit the Pacific Northwest within the next century, if not sooner.

Researchers from regional universities, geotechnical engineers and emergency response agencies expect the earthquake to wreak havoc when it hits, bringing about the collapse of roads and bridges and rendering electricity and water infrastructure useless.

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While some effects from natural disasters are unavoidable, experts are growing increasingly concerned about the lack of preparation by both governing bodies and individuals.

#### A ticking subduction zone



The Pacific Northwest sits on the Cascadia Subduction Zone, which stretches from the north end of Vancouver Island in British Columbia to Cape Mendocino, California, a distance of 620 miles. Cascadia is the meeting point of the smaller Juan de Fuca plate and the large North American plate. As the two tectonic plates converge, one is forced under the other.

This causes the oceanic crust of the Pacific Ocean to move under the continent of North America at a rate of about 40 millimeters (1 ½ inches) per year.

The 2011 earthquake in Japan was due to this same type of fault line.

Alison Pyrch, an associate geotechnical engineer at Hart Crowser, explained that the deeper an earthquake is, the



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longer it causes shaking at the surface. The creates a much higher potential for damage. A 30-second earthquake usually reaches a 7 or higher on the Richter scale, while a two-minute quake reaches an 8 or higher. By four minutes. an earthquake is at 9.0.

Along with depth, seismologists use the size of crustal breaks to indicate how powerful an earthquake could be. The 1989 Loma Prieta, California, earthquake had a magnitude of 6.9, enough to cause more than \$6 billion in damage and kill 63 people. Loma Prieta sits on one of the most well-known and studied fault lines in the United States, the San Andreas Fault. According to the United States Geological Survey, the San Andreas Fault is capable of producing an earthquake no larger than a magnitude 8.3 due to its close proximity to both the surface (10 to 12 miles deep) and the size of crust that can break during an earthquake on the San Andres.

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More than 40 miles below the earth's crust, the Juan de Fuca plate is moving under North America and melting into the earth. However, around 30 miles down, the North American plate is stuck, causing pressure to build up underneath the surface of the earth. As the Juan de Fuca plate continues to move, the North American plate gets put under more pressure. Eventually, the pressure will become too much and the North American plate will snap upward, much like a breaking rubber band. Since the Cascadia Subduction Zone sits anywhere from 7 to 18 miles deeper than the San Andreas, if the entire plate breaks off, an earthquake larger than a 9.0 is more than likely.

"Geology works on a really long time scale, and we've been around for an eyelash of that really long time scale," Pyrch said at "Science on Tap," a seminar on earthquakes at Kiggins Theatre last month.

Pyrch explained how due to this larger-than-life timescale developing exact data on where and when an earthquake will happen is not possible.

Pyrch said the only way to make a prediction is to look at history. On average, a rupture in the Cascadia Subduction Zone happens once every 243 years, putting it around 75 years overdue. A large scale earthquake hasn't happened since January 26, 1700, 76 years before the Declaration of Independence was signed.

Seismologists and geologists are able to determine these estimates by looking at the limestone of the seafloor and comparing it with the highly documented tsunami records of Japan. Before 1700, there was about a 780-year gap between the Cascadia earthquakes (920 to January 26, 1700).

According to an Oregon State University research team led by marine biologist Chris Goldfinger, throughout the past 10,000 years there have been at least 41 earthquakes on the Cascadia Fault Zone with 19 being a "full margin rupture" where the entire zone snaps.

Goldfinger said there's a 33% chance of this "megaquake" hitting the Pacific Northwest in the next 50 years.

"Perhaps more striking than the probability numbers is that we can now say that we have already gone longer without an earthquake than 75% of the known times between earthquakes in the last 10,000 years," Goldfinger said in a statement earlier this summer. "And 50 years from now, that number will rise to 85 percent."

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Pyrch says the Pacific Northwest is not at all prepared for an earthquake of this magnitude. She rates cities such as Portland at a 2.5 to 3 on a scale of 10 in terms of preparedness.

"Our biggest lack is public education and public preparedness," she said.

Pyrch says populations around the world that are accustomed to a lack of electricity and water are significantly more prepared for a disaster such as an earthquake.

Pyrch offered Mexico and Japan as examples of countries well prepared in 2019. Both countries have earthquake early warning systems and a large culture built around the idea that a quake could hit at any moment.

"If people are prepared for an event and they know it's going to happen and they are educated, they are significantly better when it comes to handling an event," she said. "As it is, we are not prepared simply because our society will not be bouncing back as quickly because we depend on all those utilities."

Pyrch's second problem with preparedness in the region is infrastructure. If the "Big One" were to hit this year, she believes most of the transportation hubs - land, sea and air - would all be compromised. Along with this, she mentioned that there will be significant landslide damage as well as the explosion of natural gas and liquid fuel lines and ruptured water pipes.

Liquid fuel in Southwest Washington is refined in the Seattle-Tacoma area and is transported through a pipeline that is "not seismically sound," Pyrch said. She added that fuel for the area is stored near the Willamette River where there is an expected movement of 25 feet. The spread of fire is also a major concern given that many of the water lines will likely break, Pyrch said.

Pyrch noted how most of the electricity in the area is supplied by the Bonneville Power Administration. If its power and energy network falls due to an earthquake, power in the area is expected to go out for an indefinite period of time.

"We are spoiled and we expect everything to work on demand," she said. "Our society does not function without running water, electricity and our cellphones and communication networks working."

In her seminar, Pyrch said soils in the Pacific Northwest are subject to liquefaction, the process of soils with a large water content losing strength due to a strongly applied force such as an earthquake. Under this force, sand and mud sink into the ground causing the buildings and structures on top of them to follow. Pyrch said soil underneath large economic hubs such as the Interstate 5 Bridge, the Glenn Jackson Bridge and the Portland International Airport all sit on liquefiable soil.

Pyrch expanded on liquefaction damage in a followup interview, explaining that the I-5 Bridge is "pretty much toast" if a large earthquake were to hit, but the bridge across I-205 might be salvageable.

"From what I understand there is a chance that it will be repairable," Pyrch said about I-205, adding that while it



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might be repairable, it will not be a structure people are going to be able to drive over immediately.

The destruction of these bridges and economic trade hubs such as the Port of Portland and Portland International Airport (PDX) is expected to dramatically impact the surrounding area's economy.

"One of the points of the (2011) Japan earthquake was that their economy took a big hit. In fact, the world economy took a big hit," Pyrch said while explaining that one of the reasons the area needs to get ready for an earthquake is the fact that not everybody is going to die in the initial shock of the quake. Most people will survive, and building infrastructure for that survival period is key to withstanding the earthquake, she said.

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#### Preparing



Timothy "T.J." Miller, of Battle Ground, has a degree in power systems and works for BPA. He echoed Pyrch's statements while pointing to the solar panels and generators he has installed in his earthquake-proof shop.

"The irony of it is that I work for the power grid and yet I have solar and a generator because I know the grid is going down," he said.

Miller has spent nearly his whole life preparing for disaster to strike.

"I don't really know what made me want to be a survivalist other than the fact that I have five sisters and my mom always said, 'you're the man of the house, you're going to have to protect your sisters," he said. "I grew up in fear that I wouldn't be able to protect (them). It's an overcompensated thing about me and I can't help it."





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Miller built a shop on his property for his business, Silenced

Weapons. The shop doubles as his survival shelter, and he said it is structurally sound and can withstand an earthquake.

"This shop is built better than any of the houses around here," he said. "The inspector said if we were to have the subduction zone earthquake, all the houses (nearby) would be gone and this shop would still be here."

Miller believes a lack of food, water and shelter will be the biggest problems facing citizens in the Clark County area if disaster were to strike. He suggests bolting down everything in houses and shops and having enough food and water to sustain yourself and dependents.

"Water, water," Miller said when asked about what he feels is the most important thing people can do to prepare.

Miller's shop is equipped with a two-year supply of food and











sun oven, more than 10,000 gallons of fresh water and a system to brew his own beer.

"Some people say it's not a key part of preparedness, but I think it is," Miller said as he opened a door in the back of his shop revealing a home brewery where he makes India Pale Ale.

Also in Miller's shop is an old ambulance from the Los Angeles Police Department that he is renovating to be a disaster vehicle complete with a few days worth of food, a fire ax and a truck vault, something he builds to securely store items in a vehicle. Also equipped with a truck vault is Miller's Jeep Wrangler, which has everything from a snorkeling system to an air compressor.

"It's got everything I think people should have on their car in case of a disaster," Miller said before pulling out the truck vault containing a flare gun, hiking equipment and enough food and water to survive for a week. Miller said a lot of the ideas for his Jeep came after he experienced the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake and realized how unprepared people in the area were.

"The only thing that made it out of the city were the 4-by-4's," Miller said.

While Miller and his wife may be prepared if the Cascadia Subduction Earthquake were to strike, a good majority of the Clark County and the Portland Metro Area has not started preparing. Pyrch believes this lack of preparedness can be changed by working together to build an "earthquake culture."

While Miller may have a two-year supply of food, Savannah Brehmer of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) recommends having a minimum of 72 hours, but encourages a supply of up to two weeks of food, water and necessary medicine.

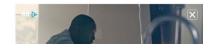
"We also recommend people know their community because if you know them in advance, it's going to help out in terms of sharing resources," Brehmer said. "Resources may be spread thin in the event of an earthquake."

FEMA's website outlines a three-step plan citizens should have to prepare themselves for disaster. First, protect yourself before an earthquake. To do this, FEMA recommends practicing what to do during in an earthquake, gathering critical documents and building a preparedness kit that lasts at least three days. Second, protect yourself during an earthquake and drop, cover and hold on. Lastly, protect yourself after an earthquake by monitoring local news reports, exiting damaged buildings and staying away from damaged areas. If your home has been damaged after a disaster or is no longer safe and you need a place to stay, text SHELTER and your ZIP code to 43362 to find the nearest public shelter in the area.

Pyrch recommends doing everything possible to secure your home, such as strapping it to the foundation and knowing how to turn off the gas and water lines leading to your home. "Make sure your home is safe and somewhere you can be for two to four weeks without help," Pyrch said. Along with this, he recommends building emergency lists and getting what you need whenever you're at the grocery store.

"If you have an extra five bucks, get that extra gallon of water," she said











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Eric Frank, the Public Information Officer of the Clark Regional Emergency Services Agency (CRESA), recommends doing all of the above and repeating it for your workplace and your vehicle, mentioning how not everyone will be at home when disaster strikes.

"I want to make sure I have whatever I need no matter where I am when disaster strikes," he said. "Those are the messages we spread constantly."

#### Building an 'Earthquake Culture'

During "Science on Tap" and in subsequent interviews, Pyrch stressed the importance of building a culture around preparedness for earthquakes. This culture, dubbed "earthquake culture," revolves around education about earthquakes and the substantial followup damage they will cause.

"Educate yourself and your neighbors because until we are educated about the problem, we

are not going to make any progress," Pyrch said. "Until it is a priority within our society and in our communities to be ready to handle a large earthquake, we are not going to be ready."

To discuss this "earthquake culture" Pyrch uses the example of other countries such as Japan and Mexico around the Pacific Ring of Fire that she believes are prepared if disaster were to strike tomorrow. She mentioned activities such occasional statewide earthquake drills.

"They can evacuate a building in under two minutes," Pyrch explained.

She later used the example of a fire drill at a public high school to show how unprepared the United States is in terms of a disaster.

"Do adults make it out in two minutes?" she asked.

Pyrch pressed the need for educating yourself, your family and your neighbors about the importance of preparing for an earthquake, something CRESA believes to be just as important as building your own personal disaster kit.

"Having the mindset (for disaster) is the biggest piece," Frank said. "A positive attitude and connecting with your neighbors ... are what is going to make our communities stronger and more disaster-resilient."

Frank noted that images from recent disasters show neighbors helping neighbors, not first responders in uniform. Frank said connecting with neighbors before a disaster is important because the area as we know it will end up with fractured roads and downed bridges, making it harder for first responders to reach disaster sites.

"It's going to be neighbors relying on each other for the first few hours and days of a disaster until we (emergency response) can make that connection again," Frank said.

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CRESA Emergency Management Division Manager Scott Johnson said, in the past, the government had hard-set

"From about 1945 up until 2005, there was an idea that governments should have very detailed plans that covered every aspect of every potential thing that could go wrong," Johnson said. "We had a very, very detailed earthquake plan and a very, very detailed flood plan."

Now, Johnson said governments and emergency response agencies have changed their mindset from hard fixed plans to the concept of "planning" because putting emergency plans in hardset "silos" can cause confusion about which plan to use during a disaster.

"Planning is a concept that revolves around looking at what is actually going on and the impact it has on people's life safety, the severity of the incident and the impact to our key infrastructure," Johnson said. "Our plans have gotten much more flexible. Our plans have gotten much more responsive. That allows us to deal with things more effectively but it also means that we need a more informed and engaged citizenry because we need you (citizens) to buy us time to assess what is going on."

Johnson and Frank recommend taking classes, building a community with neighbors and reminding elected officials to prepare for disaster before it strikes.

"It takes educated community members to remind our elected officials all the time that this is an important topic," Frank said.

Brehmer repeated CRESA's thoughts about becoming more educated and even suggested talking to Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) in the area. The CERT program educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for hazards that might impact the area, such as earthquakes. The CERT program also trains volunteers in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization and disaster medical

Amanda Siok, the earthquake contact for FEMA Region X (Alaska, Idaho, Oregon and Washington), also highlighted the importance of individually preparing and gaining these skills and the impact they have on the community.

"It is really important that the public prepares themselves because the less prepared individuals are, the less prepared the community as a whole will be," Siok concluded.













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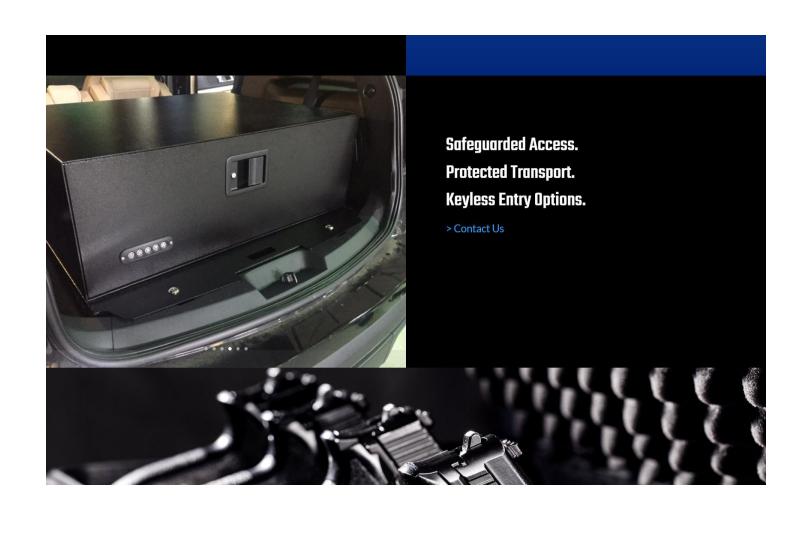
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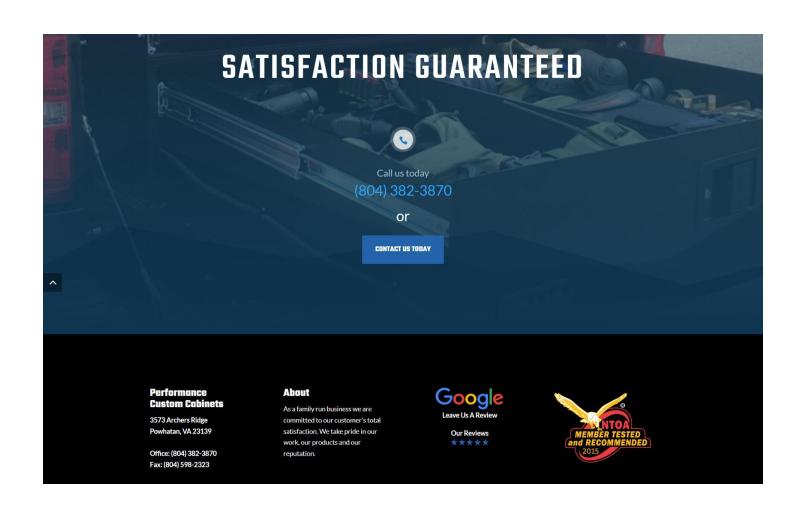
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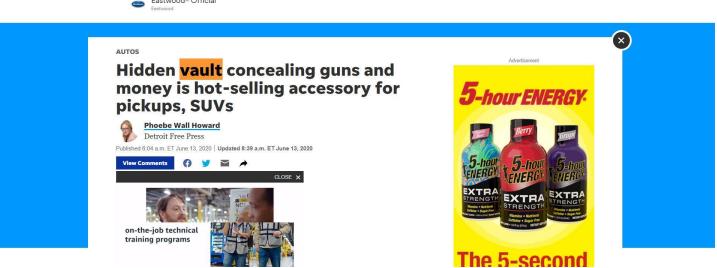
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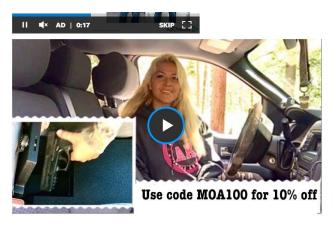
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Mark Tuttle of Grandville loves removing the doors and top from his 2016 Jeep Wrangler and heading into the woods of Michigan for a weekend of hammock camping. It used to be, when he stopped at a gas station to grab a Payday candy bar, he left his belongings totally exposed.

"My vehicle is accessible to anybody who walks by," he said. "Anybody that wants to can walk up and take anything. Most of the time that's not a problem, but I'm not going to leave my wallet or phone or a handgun accessible."

So, he started looking for "something secure" and made a discovery: a hidden 12-gauge cold-rolled plate steel safe that's bolted inside the center console between his two front seats. The secret hiding place is designed to protect money, phones, credit cards, handguns or anything of value.





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Mark Tuttle, 55, of Grandville, Michigan, has a secret vault in his 2016 Jeep Wrangler and now, he said, so do most of his friends. He is pictured here at Silver Lake Sand Dunes in 2017. Brenda Tuttle

"I installed it myself, in the center console, undernerneath the armrest," said Tuttle, who works for an auto parts supplier. "Several people have bought them because of mine. They all had Wranglers. Every time you'd get out of the Jeep, you've got to grab everything of value and stuff it in your pockets and take it with you."

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#### Tuttle isn't alone.

In 2020, Columbus-based Console Vault expects to see its most profitable year in nearly two decades. Co-founder Scott Bonvissuto said people are more focused in recent months on personal safety and securing weapons in compliance with increasingly popular conceal carry laws.

"We have seen a significant trajectory in orders of the in-vehicle safe over 2019 due to the impact of COVID-19 and the increase of firearms sales since the quarantine,"

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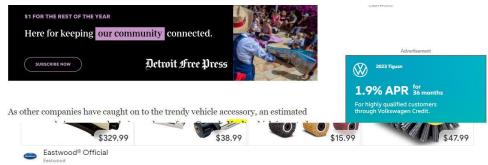


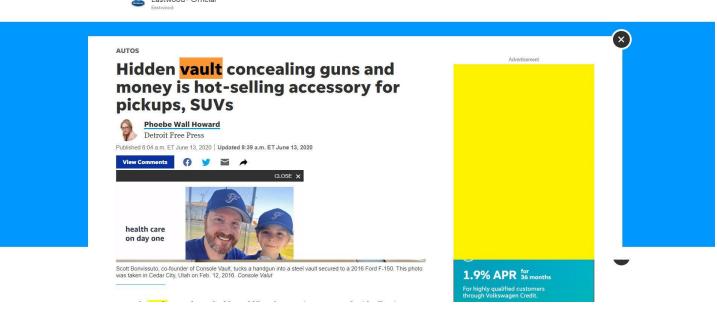
In fact, gun sales in the U.S. have surged, according to national data.

The FBI said it did 3.7 million background checks for firearm purchases in March, the most ever recorded in a single month by the bureau — exceeding sales in March 2019 by more than 1 million, according to USA Today.

Customers in Texas, California and Florida are purchasing the most  ${\tt vault}$ s — for their Ford F-150 pickups, Ram Trucks and Chevy Silverados.







Console Vault, a trademarked brand like Kleenex tissue or Band-Aid adhesive strips, expects to sell more than 200,000 safes annually by 2024.

Ford and Toyota dealerships sell vaults to people who take them home to install themselves. Yet owners often buy directly from the company at a cost ranging from \$250 to \$350, depending on size of vehicle and whether the owner wants a key or combination lock.



The vaults are designed to fit most major truck and SUV brands, including Cadillac, Dodge, GMC, Lincoln, Nissan, Subaru and Volkswagen. They also have security vaults for a handful of passenger cars including the Dodge Charger, the Ford Fusion and the Toyota Camry. Harley Davidson is brand new.

Other companies create safes for many uses but Console Vault actually meets or exceeds strict specifications required by auto manufacturers for in-vehicle use only.

Law enforcement officers who buy the  $\frac{\text{vault}}{\text{praise}}$  its easy installation and bolt design.

"When we first developed this, we were the only game in town," Bonvissuto said. "We'd do a trade show and people would say, 'Omigod. Where have you been all





my life?' Now, fast forward to current times, other companies have caught on. We rely on our innovative engineering design and reputation for detail. A Chevy vault will not fit in a Ford and a Ford vault will not fit in a Chevy."

The initial idea for the company came from working with Rolls-Royce owners who wanted to protect their valuables.

"Console Vault is an ingenious lock box," product critic Maxwell Matthewson wrote for offgridweb.com, a magazine about urban survival and preparation, on Sept. 22, 2019.



Armando Herrera and his fiancee, Erika Licon, far left, installed a security vault in their Toyota Tundra. Herrera and Licon







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#### **Chewing gum risk**

Women make up a growing portion of the vault buyers.

Erika Licon, 37, a small business owner in Houston, Texas, said she went to a charity auction and noticed the secret vault was an item for bid. She went home and did a little research, ordered one and surprised her fiance by installing it herself in their 2019 Toyota Tundra.

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"My fiance carries a gun, so we had it for that," she said. "But, in my line of business, I carry a lot of important documents, like passports. You always want personal documents locked in your car. You have no idea how many people have their backpacks stolen from their car, whether they just run in to grab a Subway sandwich or go inside the gas station for a pack of gum."







Scott Bonvissuto, co-founder of Columbus-based Console Vault, is pictured here Tuesday in his 2019 Ford F-150 pickup. He is seeing a surge in business since COVID-19. The vault is popular among pickup truck and SUV owners. Jordan Mescher

#### Smash test

Bonvissuto, 56, grew up in Cleveland the son of a civil engineer and an office manager. He is a street smart car guy who started out selling running boards, spoilers and pinstriping. He figured out what people wanted and needed, then built up his company focusing on security. He said customers tell him guns are increasingly common and they want a solution for when they can't carry their firearms, especially when going into schools, courthouses, post offices and fitness centers.

"We do a destructive test," Bonvissuto said. "How long does it take you to break in? We use several different tools like a car thief would use. We have a hammer, a crow bar, a screwdriver, a wrench. We tell our engineer to take this 5-pound sledgehammer and how long does it take you? Or a crowbar and try to pry open the lid. We're testing our own product. We'll try and think like a thief. What kind of tools does a smash-and-grab thief carry?"

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The core buyer of the vault, based on the company's last demographic study, is a sportsman between 35 and 55 with an income of \$125,000 or more, Bonvissuto said

"The concealed carry community gravitates to us. Women fall into the group more than ever," he said.

#### Goodbye, stress

James "Chris" Nicola, 60, of Austin, Texas, is a retired Houston police officer who works as a security adviser and recommends the covert safe to ease anxiety—especially for men and women carrying handguns, who are increasingly common.

"You just don't have to worry," said Nicola, who has led safety classes for license to carry.







Tim Dye, 47, an Ohio law enforcement officer, installed a steel vault on his 2018 Harley Davidson Ultra Classic Limited, as well as his 2006 Dodge Ram Truck, to hide valuables. *Joe McCleese* 

Tim Dye, 47, a law enforcement officer in Delaware County, Ohio, installed a vault on his 2018 Harley Davidson Ultra Classic Limited. Before that, he had one in his 2006 Dodge Ram pickup.

"Normally you get a simple box from Walmart, Meijer or a local gun shop and you put it in the back of your truck or a saddle bag. It's not secure, just setting there," he said.









"The first thought people have is just put things in your glovebox," he said. "But they can take a screwdriver and pop that — and get your gun. Now a criminal has your gun. But this is not just for firearms. When you go to the beach, you don't want to take your wallet or your cell phone. And it's there when you get back."

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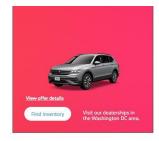
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#### Kayaking, Hunting, Hiking

Marianna Magyar, 46, a high school teacher in Madera, California, does product reviews on the YouTube channel Hun.tress.308 — a nod to her Hungarian heritage. Console <code>Vault</code> sent her a safe to try out and she loved it so much she made a video in May; the response from consumers has been overwhelming.

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"What I love is that nobody knows it's there," she said. "I have this big armrest in the middle, you can fold it up and it looks just like a seat. But then you open that up and it's where the console is. If I'm just trying to get out and about and go for a hike, I don't want to take my phone or my wallet. But you want things to be out of sight."

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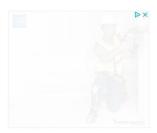






Magyar said she took 5 to 7 minutes to install the vault, and uses it most often when she's camping and hunting and kayaking. She loved the product so much, she asked the company if she could become an ambassador. Now she has an arrangement where she can receive a percentage of her referrals.

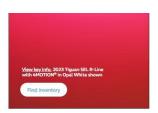
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The Free Press asked to interview her after seeing the video review, Magyar was not initially suggested for the story by the company.

"All these Facebook pages and different groups, people loved it," she said. "I had men say they had a lock box but this is better. You have men who carry guns and these tomboy girls in Montana and driving trucks and hunting. I have it for my 2014 Ford F-150 Ecoboost. I'm part of a lot of groups with women hunters. They say this solves a lot of problems."

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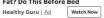
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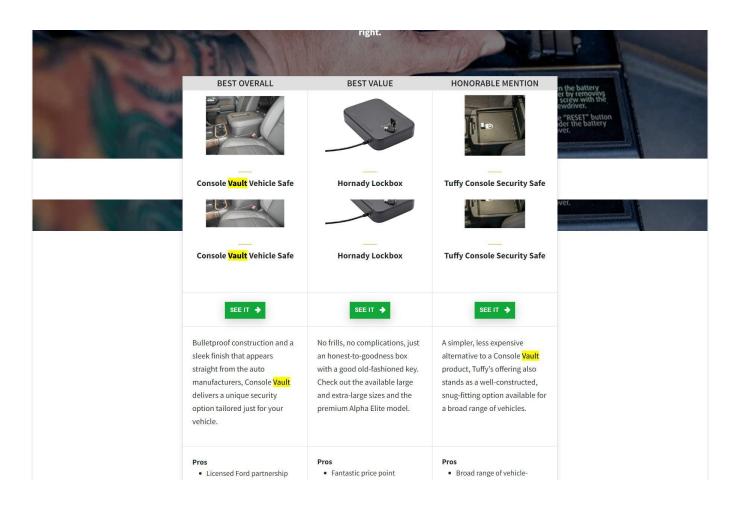
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hether you're out on the open road or just commuting to work, it never hurts to pack a gun safe for your vehicle. Compact and typically portable, such useful storage goodies can transform your center console or door pockets into miniature vaults for documents, personal items, and small arms for personal defense. We hope you'll never have to experience the latter, but it's best to always be prepared. Maybe you need a safe place to store emergency items when roughing it in the wilderness, or perhaps you're looking to store some protection when visiting unknown places. However, buying one can be easier said than done as the market is brimming with unique and ingenious gun safes.

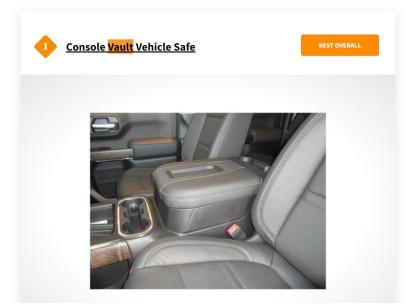
We've combined our real-world experience with swaths of consumer feedback to curate this list of the best car our safes available for nurchase. Consider some high-tech, biometric safes or even a vault

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Perhaps the most customizable option on this list, the Console Vault Vehicle Safe is an ingenious method of integrating a lockable security cubby into your vehicle. You can have a model tailored to nearly any vehicle, especially most trucks and SUVs. Sizes vary to fit most center consoles and even under the cushions of bench seat trucks. While some models may be restricted in terms of locking method based on the vehicle, most will allow you to choose from a simple barrel lock or a three- or four-digit combination. The HeavyGauge steel construction results in a look that is straight off the auto manufacturer line, and it's reportedly highly resistant to drilling and prying.

As one of the most critically-acclaimed entries on this list, it's hard to find many faults outside of a few nitpicks. For starters, it's a fixed design, meaning it's not as simple to simply pull out and take on the go on a whim. Gun fitment is highly dependent on your exact model and some safes are forced to adopt shallow dimensions in some vehicles. Additionally, not every vehicle has a model of Console Vault for it, so make sure your car is on the list.

#### **Product Specs**

Dimensions: Varies greatly; see specs for specific vehicle

Weight: Varies greatly; see specs for

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Lock: Manual keys, 3-digit combination, 4-digit combination

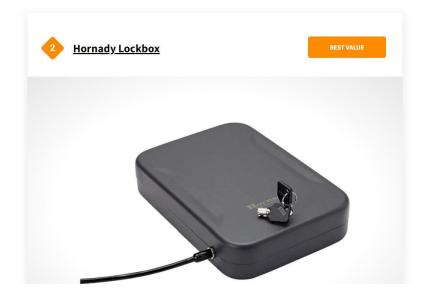
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- Not quite available for every vehicle on Earth
- Relatively expensive



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No fancy-schmancy techno-wizardry here — the Hornady Lockbox is a good old-fashioned box for simple folks who demand a good old-fashioned box. You get a single lock with manual keys and three sizes to choose from. Thankfully, they're all well-constructed with dense steel shells, offering greater protection than less expensive plastic competitors. At less than six pounds, it hardly weighs anything, a plus if you have to take it elsewhere, and its largest sizes are roomy enough to conceal 1911s and four-inch revolvers. As an additional courtesy, you get a security cable that may be used to anchor your safe to the seat rail of a car.

You do get what you pay for at this price point, and what you get are some slight compromises in its build quality and gun fitment. Some owners have noted that some especially thick handguns may create a gap that is just big enough to potentially exploit. Do your measurements first. Multiple owners have also reported some annoyingly cumbersome locks. In the best-case scenario, one owner remedied theirs with a drop of gun oil. Worst case scenario, a few owners have had their locks completely break apart.

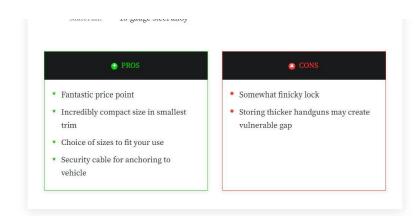
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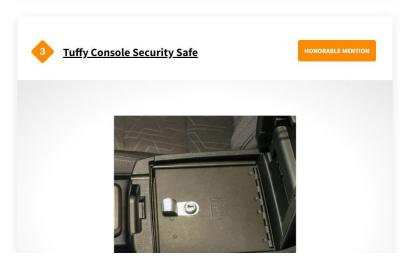
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Weight: 4 pounds (large, x-Large), 5.85 pounds (Alpha Elite)

Lock: Manual keys

Material: 16-gauge steel allow







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Tuffy's Console Security Safe presents itself as a strong, dependable value among console-mounted safes. Like the Console Vault it competes with, it offers thick steel construction with a clean finish that looks like it could've come from the auto manufacturers themselves. Unlike the Console Vault, it's capable of being affixed in place or easily removable and can be applied to an even broader range of vehicles including some off-road novelties from as far back as 1950's Jeeps (see Tuffy's website). The product has received continuous praise for the rigid construction of its welded steel body and room for two handguns, should you desire. Price Varies greatly by vehicle, but typically runs anywhere between \$170 and \$210. Universal models for rarer and more obscure vehicles exist for anywhere between \$250 and \$360.

If there are complaints to be had, there could be the singular option of a manual key which has raised concerns over it being tampered with, but the 10-tumbler design should mitigate that. One owner has managed to swap out the manual key with a Tuffy combination lock, so that option exists for those who aren't deterred by a little extra coin and effort.

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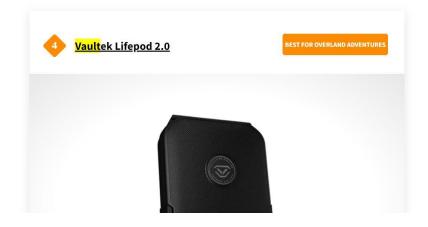
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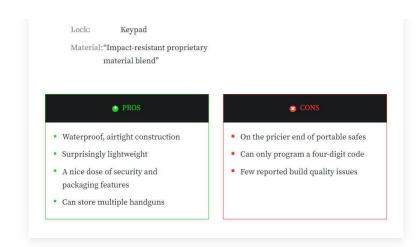
A superb choice for the outdoorsman looking for quality storage solutions, the Vaultek Lifepod 2.0 delivers incredibly robust security and build quality in a portable size. It's quite featureful with a security cable for anchoring to a seat rail or perhaps somewhere inside a camper. There is also an interior tray for placing accessories or other valuables; however, a few consumers report that using the tray inhibits their ability to stack handguns or store certain larger firearms. The interior is illuminated, and pressure latches and rubber gaskets create an airtight, waterproof seal. The 2.0 generation reportedly addresses prior issues of being easier to pry and defeat the keypad.

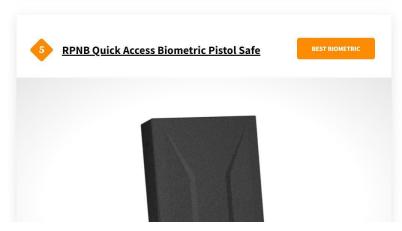
A few consumers have noted a few build quality issues such as a finicky keypad — which they still believe to be far more reliable than the biometric safes they've owned — and cumbersome manual locks. One owner reported that their interior light failed to operate. Such quality concerns are few and far between with most owners raving about the overall robustness, but the issues do seem a tad less forgivable considering the Lifepod 2.0's steep price which rings in at over \$150.

#### **Product Specs**

Dimensions: 12.25 x 8.50 x 2.87 inches

Weight: 3.3 pounds







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A popular pick for those looking for the added high-tech security of a biometric system, RPNB's Quick Access Biometric gun safe is a well-rounded and affordable choice. While larger than the Hornady Lockbox, it's still slim enough to carry in vehicles, which some consumers specifically purchase this product for. The security cable allows for anchoring to items like seat rails, and the carbon steel body has proven incredibly strong and difficult to bust. As a portable gun safe, the scanner is powered by batteries which can be overridden with traditional manual keys in the event that they run out of juice.

Be wary of issues people have had with programming the scanner. Some have reported that family members have been able to pop the lock without ever programming the scanner themselves. A few others have reported having to input their fingerprint multiple times to open or couldn't get it opened at all. A third bandwagon expressed confusion as their safes have worked flawlessly, so it's best advised to take your time and exercise caution when programming your gun safe's scanner.

#### **Product Specs**

Dimensions: 11.80 x 7.80 x 2.20 inches

Weight: 5.8 pounds

Lock: Biometric scanner







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In a complete, polar-opposite departure from the simplicity of the Hornady, RPNB's RP19001E Quick Access gun safe is about as high-tech as it can possibly be. Need quick access to your firearms? You got it — and you'll get to choose one of four to five methods of doing so. The automatic lid is set free by either a manual key, a key fob, a card, a four-button keypad, or an optional biometric scanner. While large, it's slim enough to be carried inside larger vehicles and roomy enough to store a pair of smaller handguns. One consumer noted that you could even stack your guns and still manage to close the lid. Overkill? Definitely.

With this much tech, however, you're bound to have some hiccups. A couple of owners have reported lid motors and locks acting up and refusing to open even after accepting their inputs. The fix? A good slap to the side did the trick. Not ideal, but they were rare instances. Its bulk means it could better serve others as a nightstand safe, but larger trucks and SUVs could still accommodate their cavernous interiors. My family's Silverado 1500 and Highlander, for example, come to mind.

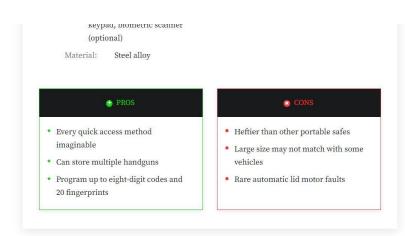
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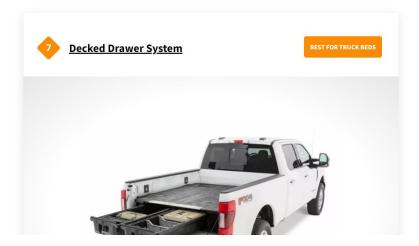
Dimensions: 14.25 x 10.83 x 3.15

inches

Weight: 13 pounds

Lock: Manual keys, key fob, key card,







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Behold! Okay, so it's more like a lockable drawer than an in-car safe, but this still deserves a peek and is something we know a handful of enthusiasts will greatly enjoy. The Decked Drawer System is a clever, multipurpose option for nearly all truck beds. Decked states that their systems are weatherproof, meaning they'll help keep your priceless antique rifles from rusting in a torrential downpour. The drawers are composed of a dense plastic encasing a galvanized steel skeleton and are rated at holding up to 2,000 pounds of gear, which you'll hopefully keep tidy using the included organizing bins.

It's easily the most acclaimed product here with consumers praising solid construction, smooth operation, and the ability to carry damn near anything from rifles to tools. Aside from being inaccessible in emergency situations and being voted the burden-bearer of your entire friend group, the biggest gut-punch this product dishes out is the eye-watering price of nearly \$1,500. Other complaints include an installation process that's a tad lengthy and overcomplicated, and a few owners report that "weatherproof" doesn't quite mean it's completely waterproof.

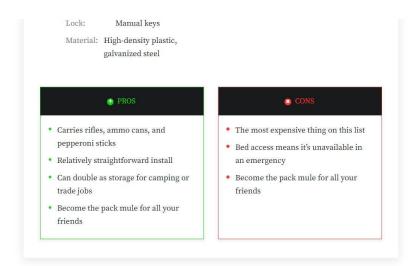
#### **Product Specs:**

Dimensions: Vary greatly; see specs for

specific vehicle

Weight: Varies; 220 pounds

(estimated)



# Our verdict on car gun safes

That wraps up our list of some of the hottest car gun safes on the market today. The <u>Console Vault Vehicle Safe</u> lands Best Overall for its highly-customizable, well-constructed approach to in-car firearm security. <u>Hornady's Lockbox</u> stands as the Best Value pick for offering stout construction and a choice of sizes for less than the cost of some used video games. And we honorably mention <u>Tuffy's Console Security Safe</u> as another acclaimed entry with a flexible price tag. That being said, drop a comment and let us know what your favorite storage solutions are for in-car firearm transport. Just like with any buyer's guide, we're always looking forward to expanding our knowledge with you.

### What to consider when buying car gun safes

Car gun safes all do the same basic thing, but they all seem to go about it quite differently. Some are big. Some are small. Some are almost permanent additions to your car, while others can be brought nearly

anywhere else. From complex designs to brainless simplicity, here are just a few ways car gun safes can distinguish themselves.

### Types of car gun safes

#### Biometric locking

These safes define themselves by primarily unlocking with a programmable fingerprint scanner. The technology is commonly found in <a href="https://historycommons.org

Many biometric gun safes available come in slim, portable packages, meaning that stowing them in a vehicle is effortless. That also means they have to be powered via batteries, so be cautious not to let yourself get locked away from your firearms because of some dead Duracells. Keep those emergency manual keys handy.

#### Portable

This encompasses nearly all available car gun safes. Compact, portable, and relatively inexpensive, these will give you the secure storage that you need in a package you can switch from car to car and even checkin for flights. They generally won't be too cumbersome and may come in a variety of locks, but basic manual locks with a key tend to be the most common and reliable. Some models even have attached security cables for anchoring to wherever you decide to leave it.

In this range, keep a keen eye out for build quality, especially at the lower end of the price range. Many can be had with durable steel construction, but some could leave gaps making you susceptible to theft. Budget-friendly lockboxes constructed of plastic exist, but obviously won't have the resilience of steel alloys.

#### Fixed

Fairly self-explanatory, these safes won't be going anywhere unless you have the time to uninstall them; Console Vault and Decked products fall into this category as does technically Tuffy. They'll be affixed in place, meaning that moving them will prove more of a burden, but they will typically have better storage abilities given their designs.

Some console safes may reconfigure the entire console into a miniature bomb shelter for your valuables with the entire square footage of space at the expense of obliterating your normal center console storage. Larger safes exist to fit entire rifles into the back ends of SUVs and pickups plus room for gear and ammo, but they hold the obvious drawback of being far less accessible in a cinch during emergencies. More often than not, this will also be the most expensive type.

## Key features of car gun safes

#### Locking mechanism

There are quite a few different locking mechanisms you could opt for which seem to vary in quality and reliability.

**Keypad** and **biometric scanners** are trickier to defeat with the latter being regarded as far more secure, but they are powered and often require batteries. **Keys** and **combinations** have been far more reliable according to many customer accounts, but be aware of the quality of your lock. Some cheaper models sometimes ship with complete nuisances of a lock with stiff action and even falling apart altogether.

Fortunately, there are known workarounds for some common complaints. A drop of gun oil, for example, has been a proven fix for some stuck locks, and most electronic mechanisms include manual keys as a backup.

#### Size

Here is a crucial factor in determining which product is right for you. For some, it may be the single most important. Buyers must take a gander at their firearms and their possible storage locations and decide which gun safe is the right size for their needs.

Some folks may be packing some serious big irons, so a Hornady Alpha Elite Lockbox or an RPNB RP19001E would be a more viable option. Or, perhaps the potential buyer is looking for a gun safe that fits their compact car which may not have such generous interior volume.

Also account for the interior volume of a gun safe which should always be disclosed in the product listing. You might snag a case based on its external dimensions that seem as though it would fit like a glove, only to see you're a quarter-inch short.

#### Material

Keep in mind what material your chosen gun safe is composed of, especially as you dip down into the lower price brackets. It could be a thick, high-carbon steel alloy or it could be cheaper plastics. Some materials are better resistant to flexing when pried at or can be defeated with a power drill and enough brute force.

Higher-end and most mid-grade products will almost always be constructed of some sort of alloy, typically 16-gauge steel unless stated otherwise, thus delivering some added peace of mind for their price tags. As materials get stronger, it'd be wise to start looking at other variables that could affect security such as the quality of locks and hinges, etc.

### Pricing considerations for car gun safes

Pricing for portable car gun safes may range from mere tens of dollars to well over \$100. The higher end of that scale will present you with the best construction and an abundance of locking mechanisms including biometrics, keypads, and key fobs. Some may have lighting to illuminate the interior or keypads when entering codes. Conversely, you can get simple lockboxes with a basic key and simple construction for anywhere between \$20 and \$40, but build quality may not be so bulletproof on a few models within that realm

For those with deeper pockets, premium fixed safes like those from Console Vault or Tuffy typically ring in at \$200 to \$300 before options. Drawer systems for carrying rifles and gear can vary greatly based on options, but systems like those from Decked start at nearly \$1,500. Such offerings are surely for the dedicated enthusiasts, but tradesmen have found value in having them pull double-duty as bed-mounted tool boxes.

### Tips and tricks

As with something you do for decades upon decades, you pick up a few tips and tricks along the way in terms of selecting the right product, and/or using it. That's the case with us and car gun safes. To help you bridge the information gap, here's a selection of what we've learned along the way.

- If you choose to legally add a portable gun safe to a camper or RV, consider hard mounting it in a
  drawer using the hardware that some models include.
- For Pete's sake, many of the complaints of people letting their electronic locks die and getting barred from their guns can be fixed if you keep the manual keys nearby. Don't ever lose them.

### FAQs on car gun safes

You've got questions. Task & Purpose has answers

### Q: Can you keep a gun in a glove box?

A: From a safety standpoint, most experts do NOT recommend storing a gun in the glove box, especially if it's not a locking glove box. From a legal standpoint, the country is <u>divided on the issue</u>. However, in most states, you can conceal a firearm in your glove box if you are permitted to concealed carry.

### Q: What size should my vehicle gun safe be?

A: That is completely up to your specific use case. Look at one that will fit your firearm(s). How many mags will you carry? Does it have large accessories? Then check where you intend to store it. Find a safe with the right dimensions for that spot.

### Q: What's the safest way to transport a firearm in a vehicle?

A: Unless you're specifically (and legally) keeping it in your car for defense purposes, it shouldn't be loaded and hot. Keep it locked up in a hard case and away from where passengers or thieves could tamper with it. It should be unloaded with ammo stored away from the gun.

### Q: What is the difference between a car gun safe and a console safe?

A: A car gun safe encompasses most lockable storage solutions whereas console vaults/safes specifically refer to fixed storage within a vehicle's center console. When installed, it will replace or take up a good chunk of the original space with a safe that's integrated with the car and out of sight.

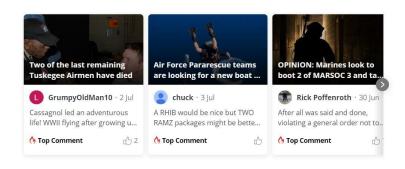


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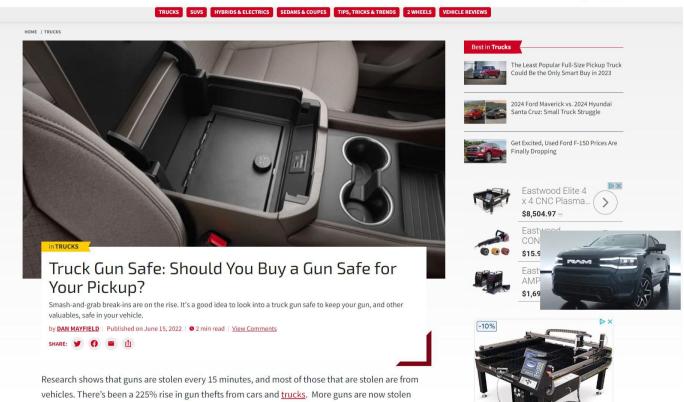
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You don't want to carry your giant gun safe with you when you're driving around. And, while gun racks used to be a common sight in the back window of a pickup truck, it's an invitation for a criminal to break in and steal your gun today. Trucks are notoriously easy to break into. Smash and grab break-ins are common. Many trucks don't have locking consoles, and even those that do aren't fire safe so a hidden gun safe is a good idea. And, if you leave your ear protection, ammo boxes, or other telltale signs you're coming back from the range inside the truck, a thief may ransack your pickup just to find your pistol.





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# Manufacturers offer locking consoles









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A hidden gun safe is best. After all, you don't want to advertise that you have a firearm. Many trucks do offer locking consoles that may be enough to deter a thief. The major manufacturers offer locking console wault s that are great for firearms, and any other valuables you may want to lock down. The OEM boxes often don't require drilling and they allow you to use the armrest.



Ram owners can find a <u>factory-built console safe</u> from the Mopar catalog for \$230.40. <u>Ford</u>, too,

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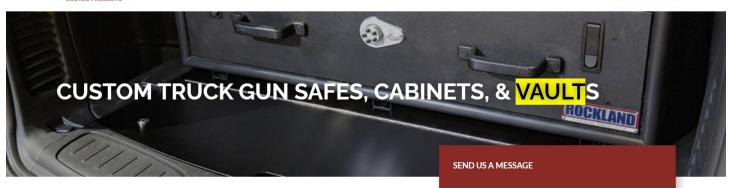


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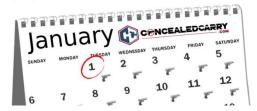


Are you one of the many gun owners who don't carry their firearm regularly?

According to our surveys, most people who have concealed carry permits still don't carry concealed regularly. We've compiled a list of the reasons most often cited for not carrying regularly.

But we didn't stop there.

Under each "reason" section, we've included links to articles that provide information and help in overcoming the specific issue.





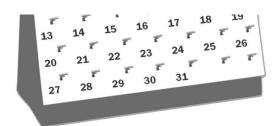
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Even though there are thousands of hoister companies, finding the right hoister can be challenging. First there are different methods of carrying, and then different holsters and made of different materials and configurations. Below are links to content that can assist you in finding the right hoister for your needs:

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#### I Can't Find a Comfortable Gun

Guns are expensive, and your choices abound. I don't think there is such a thing as a "comfortable gun" per se. However, some are certainly more comfortable than others. Some think the smaller the gun, the more comfortable. While this is somewhat true, size isn't the only consideration when selecting a gun for everyday carry (EDC).

Selecting a Concealed Carry Gun
Determining What is a Reliable Gun for everyday Carry
How Many Rounds for a Concealed Carry gun? Tips to make carrying more comfortable



#### My Employer Doesn't Allow It

 ${\it Most of us spend about 36\% of our waking hours at our job. If your employer doesn't allow firearms that}$ can be a very legitimate concern.

Solutions for dealing with Anti-Gun Employers





S9E3: Top Tips for Traveling with Guns



How to Tell if Someone Needs Help (EMERGENCY)

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#### Too Many Private Businesses I Frequent Prohibit Guns

Does it feel like everywhere you go is another anti-gun business? It can take a lot of work to find the businesses that support your rights and often can create an inconvenience to frequent them. We get it.

Dealing with Gun Free Businesses



#### It Doesn't Support My Style Or The Way I Dress

Guns are big and bulky and unlikely to ever conceal well in tight fitting clothing but if you think there is no way to look good and have a gun I think you are mistaken. The key here is being willing to make some changes.

PHLster Enigma Review Clothing Adjustments



#### I Don't Know If I Could Kill Someone

Honestly, this is going to sound like a cop out but I promise you could. If the situation were dire enough... If it was about you or someone you love living or dying you could take the life. Consider also that just because you shoot to stop a threat doesn't mean you will kill people. Modern medicine is fairly impressive and people survive gun shots all the time.

The Moral Component of Deadly Force Deadly Force Dilemma



#### I Have Difficulty Concealing the Gun

Guns are generally not that easy to conceal and most gun owners feel strongly about ensuring others don't see or discern the weapon. Overcoming this issue could be the most critical factor in your personal defense.

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#### I Have Fear of Legal and Civil Consequences

The world is full of sue-happy people and some politicians respect your rights about as much as they love taking a cold shower.

Overcoming the fear of Civil and Criminal Legal Consequences
Do I Need Concealed Carry Insurance?
Concealed Carry Insurance Comparison Chart
CCW Safe vs USCCA



#### It Conflicts with My Social Life

It may be time to decide what is more important to you. Being prepared to safe lives or having a few drinks with friends.

Is the Gun Cramping Your Social Life?



#### I Couldn't Make it a Habit

We are all creatures of habit and learning to make your carry gun part of your life is tough. How to Create and Keep an Every Day Carry Habit



#### My Risk is Too Low to Justify It

History has proven repeatedly that evil people commit their deeds anywhere, and upon anyone. Consider listening to the bi-weekly Concealed Carry Podcast. Once time a month, we dedicate an entire episode titled "Justified Saves." to stories of people defending themselves with firearms.

The Concealed Carry Podcast



#### I Never Leave the House

Really? Well, even if you stay home, depending on your risk assessment, you may consider carrying your firearm, or at the very least, having it close by.

Home Defense Fundamentals Choosing the AR for Home Defence Should I Carry a gun at Home?



#### I'm Afraid it Could Be Used Against Me

This is a legitimate concern, as sometimes bad guys disarm firearm owners and use their gun against them. However, it is typically an issue for those who have limited training.

How Close is Too Close? Handgun Retention Techniques Close Quarters Tactics



#### I'm Afraid of Dealing With Law Enforcement

Generally, if you obey the law, then you shouldn't have a lot of law enforcement encounters. Even when they happen, a prepared concealed carrier should know what to expect and how to proceed.

Duty to Inform How to Handle a Traffic Stop While Armed

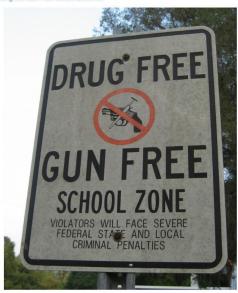




#### I'm a Student, or I Work at a School

If you go to a school every day that doesn't allow firearms, that is a tough issue to overcome. While not the ideal situation, find out if you may store your firearm in your car and consider that it would be better than leaving it at home. Determine if you can legally carry a less-lethal force option.

Your Car is Not a Holster Less Lethal Force Options Understanding the Gun Free School Zone Act



#### I Only Have a Gun for Home Defence

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defend those same people when you leave the home?

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#### My Spouse or Friends are Armed So I Don't Need to Be

Each of us needs to take responsibility for our own survival.

You can't honestly say that you are ALWAYS with someone else who is armed. Furthermore, if that someone else is injured, out of ammunition, killed or has a firearm malfunction you are now both in serious trouble.

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#### I Don't Go Anywhere Dangerous

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#### I Travel on Airplanes A Lot

Even if you could make the argument that you spend more time away from home (via airplane) than you do at home, that still wouldn't be an excuse to not carry when you are not traveling. Further, you can check guns on airplanes, you know? Almost all airports make it relatively easy.

How to Check Guns on Planes



#### I Have a Physical Disability

Are you tired of your disability getting in the way of doing what needs to be done? While everyday carry may not be a possibility for you, you may need to approach it with the attitude of "how can I" and not "can I."

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My Work Uniform Makes it Too Hard to Conceal

Hard or impossible? With many ankle and tuckable holsters on the market, it's likely that you just haven't tried enough options. Also consider that a smaller gun is generally easier to conceal.

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#### I Don't Always Take my Purse / Bag with Me

Off body carry systems come with that very issue. Where possible, you need to find and use a holster system that is attached to your body. Otherwise you need to change your habits since being without that gun is the worst idea you could have.

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Keeping Track of the Laws is Too Hard

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#### My Family Members Don't Support Me

If you don't think you can or should "conceal" it from them, it's time to have one of those hard conversations about why this is important to you. Education, both yours and theirs, are the keys to removing the emotional and mental barriers.

When a Family member is Against Concealed Carry



#### Getting a Permit Will Put Me On the Grid

A concealed carry permit doesn't mean you own a gun or guns (in most states). But I understand the reasons someone may not want to tell the government they are "pro-gun." However, ask yourself if it's worth being on "the grid" so you can legally defend yourself in a life-threatening situation? I would say it is.

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#### I Don't Know How to Respond to a Threat

It takes a lot of forethought and training to be prepared to take action. One thing that is certain is that if you don't have the firearm, you have fewer options. Start with that first step and seek the training to prepare you for the next step.

Overcoming the Fear of Taking Action





#### I Don't Have An Attorney To Represent Me

Get one. Ask your instructor and gun club for recommendations and make that happen as soon as you can.

Here is a great guide Concealed Carry Insurance



#### Closing —

There you have it. We hope we provided some help in overcoming the primary reasons people don't carry a firearm with them. Let us know what reasons you had to overcome when you first started carrying your firearm.

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Charles F Widmer Sr. on April 24, 2016 at 12:16 pm

Love your resolutions for the obvious. I have a license and have carried almost daily for many, many years. I only pulled it once and that was because of an agressive cow elk. I fired into the ground and they fled.

Most people who don't like or carry, are afraid of guns. They need free training for all aspects of being armed. Every cop I ever talked to was grateful for my abilities in maybe one day rendering him assistance. Go serious, go armed.



#### John DeMonte on July 15, 2020 at 7:30 pm

Great article Mr. Paulsen:

I have my CCW in Illinois, yet have only carried a few times. If my business takes me into a "high crime" area, I'll carry. Most often, though, my travels are through stable neighborhoods. Well, your reasons #12 and #21 hit home. I looked more deliberately and found a holster that I am very comfortable with, I have two separate handguns (.380 and 9mm) that I train with regularly and now carry one or the other every place that local laws allow me to carry. Thanks for giving me a bump in the right direction to get off the fence on this much debated issue.



Champagne on July 20, 2020 at 4:09 pm

I, totally, agree! I carry everywhere I go. If I have to go to the hospital campus here, I have a good place for it beside my seat. Ready to draw it, if necessary. Heck. I even carry while at home. Never know who might come to your door....



Danofive0 on April 27, 2016 at 9:28 am

This is all very well said...

But remember one thing...

If you must use your gun, and shoot someone... When the police come. Stand still. Do not move. Have your hands out in front of you.

And when they ask what happened. Just give your name. And say, I was in fear for my life. I want a lawyer. Say no more. Not one word until you have a lawyer with you. Nothing.

Know your rights and use them. The police are NOT on your side when you shoot someone. They come after the fact. 98% of the time.. And one more thing.. Never fire a warning shot. You can go to jail for it........ In English the thugs have more rights then you do..

Be armed. Be ready. Know your rights. And use them. And have a great safe day..

Reply



James Loder on April 27, 2016 at 1:31 pm

Very good article, well written! I, agree we should carry every day. However I, have a compact 1911 . .45 cal. Double stack single action. I. think it is too heavy. Need a good holster ISB.and am considering dropping down to a .9mm. American made. Also my wife has been through law suits with me and she thinks that I, feel like a big man, carrying. Nothing could be farther from the truth!!



Jacob Paulsen on April 27, 2016 at 1:33 pm

James, I'm a little bias but did you check out the Brave Response Holster? You can find it in our online store.

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Mikial on April 27, 2016 at 7:50 pm

Yeah, lot's of typical BS excuses. And the material of regrets when the person making the excuses isn't ready and something catastrophic happens.

Natural selection, I guess.

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jim on April 28, 2016 at 12:45 pm

yes the man with the 1911 45 i carry my 45 in a shoulder holster and it make,s it easy too carry



larry martin on April 28, 2016 at 4:30 pm

yes I carry a 45 double stack that I lock in my desk five days a week but carry a 380 on my ankle all day don't go any where with out the one or two always even beside me when watching tv at night I live in a very scattered area



Ted Goffinet on August 24, 2017 at 11:56 am

I relate well with #20. With work and family time constraints, it took me six years from huving my

first handgun until I was adequately confident to pursue my carry permit. I now carry daily and still use the range/training time to maintain my confidence. Reply Kynn Morgan on January 22, 2018 at 10:11 pm I'm trying to figure out how to conveniently carry while wearing Suspenders. No luck yet. Help Reply Jacob Paulsen on January 29, 2018 at 3:37 pm Kynn, sounds like you tuck your shirt in yes? If you are looking to carry concealed then I would recommend a belly band or the Brave Response Holster as they are all fully tuckable. Try the appendix position. Reply Kynn Morgan on May 17, 2018 at 10:35 pm Thank you very much Jacob for the suggestions! RJ Finley on July 13, 2020 at 7:08 pm Check into Alien Gear Reply Rick Bicknell on July 15, 2020 at 5:59 pm Amen brother . I have been carring since the 60's . Some friends say they hide guns around their home . I laugh and just say wear one . Say you are in the middle of your room and you have a gun hidden in your couch . Someone kicks your door open and points his pistol at

you . You are out of luck .



Kevin Faulkner on May 18, 2018 at 9:40 pm

I don't know what to do when I go to the gym?So I end up leaving it in my vehicle or sometimes my gymbag?any other options?



Shawn H on July 15, 2020 at 6:05 pm

Carry a small duffle gag with your towel, water bottle and handgun in it. Gyms are places you feel very exposed

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David P Rasbold on July 15, 2020 at 6:36 pm

I carry everywhere I go except on a Military reservation. I am retired military and carrying on base is illegal under feral law. Other than that, I would not leave home without it.

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**Larry** on July 15, 2020 at 7:48 pm

If you are LEO or licensed CCW and don't carry, you are one of the "sheep". Become the "sheepdog" wherever you go. (Thanks Col. Grossman)

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Robin Drummond on July 15, 2020 at 9:31 pm

I went through too much training and qualifying in Sacramento County NOT to carry everyday. I am  $5^\circ 3''$  and weigh 105 lbs. I'm a retired LE chaplain with 13 grandGrandbabies and 65 years old.

Although I have several firearms on my ccw, I carry my S&W M&P Shield 9mm in my carry purse. I will protect myself and my family. I may be in the grocery store behind you, but you'd never know I'm armed unless I was certain someone was threating my life or someone elses.

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#### JEFFREY L STOCK on March 26, 2021 at 8:21 pm

I attained a CCW permit in my state of WI in 2012, since then I carry 24/7. I own my own trucking business, of the 3 states I currently travel in/through 2 of those states recognize my states CCW permit, the only exception is IL, in IL my CCW permit is recognized to "Transport Through The State Of IL" but I may not set foot on IL soil with my firearm, if I have to get out of my truck/vehicle, my firearm must remain in the vehicle inside a locked gun vault. I am a "Life Member" of USCCA, if you have a CCW permit, I strongly advise you to become a USCCA member, the training they offer is "Priceless", and if you are ever forced to use "Deadly Force" 1 phone call to them and they will be there for you with an attorney to represent you. There is always a way to correctly address the issues listed in this article.

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#### luis Correa on May 7, 2022 at 4:33 pm

I carry when I'm in my home state. But, being a truck driver , do travel thru IL, and the northeast. I do own my truck. How can work around this?

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#### JC Findley on May 8, 2022 at 6:04 pm

I carry every day everywhere it is legal or won't get me fired. At work I take it off in the parking lot and keep it in a truck vault until I leave work and strap on again.

I agree with ALL of your logic sans one. If you live in an anti-gun state and can't move for whatever reason a nonresident license will NOT help you. Anti-gun states like NY, NJ or CA don't have good reciprocity laws and almost certainly don't accept nonresident licenses. I have a non resident FL CCW and simply don't travel to those states. Those include any state that touches the Pacicic and most in the NE north of Virginia.

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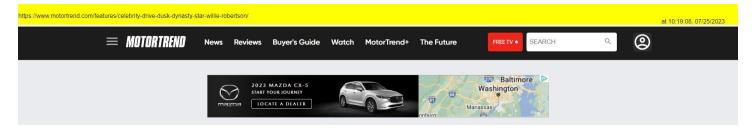
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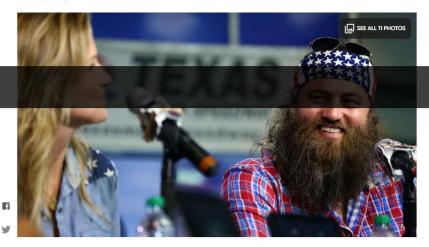
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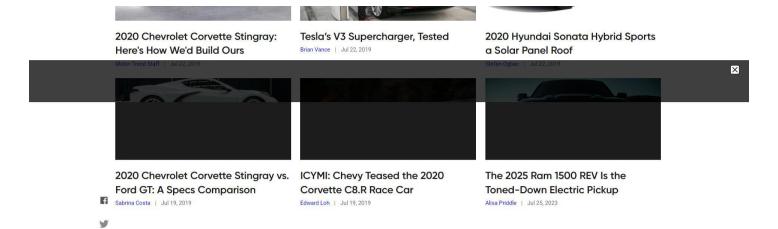
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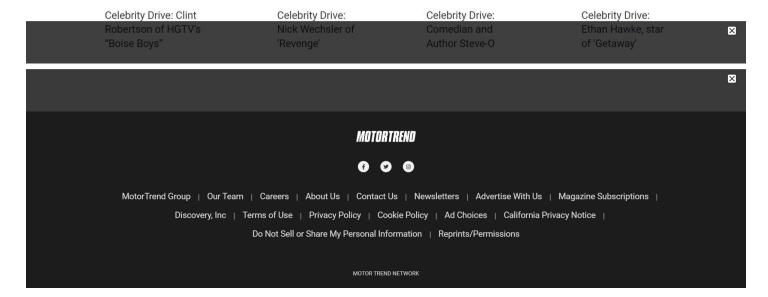






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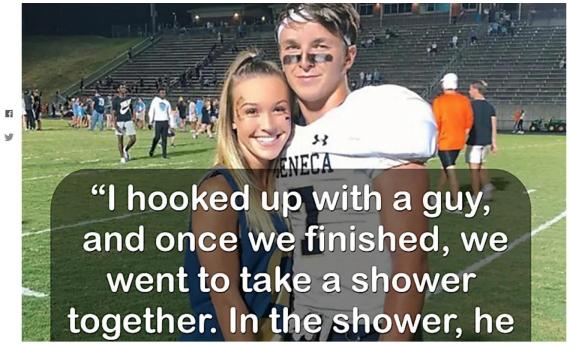
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Truck Gun Storage Guide: Things You Should Know



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Guns are part of our American Dream-part of our freedom. You have the freedom to defend yourself and your families in the event of any threat. Even if you don't have anything to fear, you might want to keep a gun just in case.
There are a number of reasons why 393 million civilians in America possess guns. For instance, some of you may be interested in competitive shooting sports, while some may be seasoned hunters. As said earlier, many would carry weapons for self-defense.
Regardless, it is imperative that you keep firearms out of sight, safe, and protected at all times. Otherwise, you might end up with a damaged investment or stolen firearms, and the latter is something that you wouldn't want to happen at all. To put things into perspective, thousands of guns are reported missing or stolen every year across the US, with Florida as the leading state.
Truck gun storage is your best bet to keep your firearms safe and out of sight at all times— take it from someone,

In this guide, we will discuss some of the most important questions related to laws regarding keeping firearms, the importance of gun storage for trucks, and some ideas to help you decide the right truck storage for firearms.

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# **SOME COMMON QUESTIONS**

Before you hold possession of any firearms or carry it in your vehicle, it is imperative that you first understand your state's gun laws. It should be noted that gun laws vary from state to state. For starters, if one state allows you to carry firearms with a permit, you may find other states allowing permitless carry.

Moreover, in most US states, it is prohibited to carry loaded firearms. Therefore, when you are traveling, you first need to unload the firearm and lock the magazines separately from the gun and in a place that is inaccessible to passengers.

Here's what else you need to know when it comes to carrying firearms:

#### CAN I KEEP A GUN IN MY TRUCK?

Well, I just answered it above. But allow me to clarify a bit. In most cases, the answer is yes—you can concealed carry guns in your vehicle. However, before you do that, it is important that you check the gun laws in your state. In some states like California, you are permitted to conceal carry as long as the gun is secured and unloaded. Moreover, the ammunition also needs to be kept secured and inaccessible to the drivers and passengers.

#### ARE TRUCK GUN RACKS LEGAL?

Again, it depends on what a specific law says in your state. If your state gun law allows open-carry of firearms on a permit, it means you will need a permit for displaying a <u>gun rack</u> in your truck. If the state law forbids open-carry even with a permit, it means you can't use <u>truck gun</u> racks. However, if the law allows open-carry without a permit, then you don't really need any permit for gun racks.

# CAN I CARRY A TRUCK GUN ACROSS STATES?

The Firearms Owners Protection Act (FOPA) allows truck owners to carry a gun across state lines if it meets two

- The owner should be legally allowed to carry a weapon in the state they are traveling from
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In most cases, you are supposed to encase and unload the weapon and store it in an area that is not directly accessible to the driver or the passenger.

# WHAT STATES HONOR CONSTITUTIONAL CARRY?

Constitutional carry means permitless carry, i.e., you can carry the firearm either in an exposed or concealed state with or without a permit or license. There are about fifty states in the US, which we cannot cover in this brief guide. It would be best that you check out your state's specific constitutional carry law or refer to Wikipedia.

# WHY DO YOU NEED GUN STORAGE FOR TRUCK?

Now that we have discussed the legality of carrying truck guns, let's answer another important question: Do I need a <a href="truck gun storage">truck gun storage</a> box or a vault? Apart from the legal reasons that require you to carry firearms in storage in a concealed state, there are a number of other reasons as well that you need a storage vault for your truck gun.





#### **ENHANCES SAFETY & SECURITY**

You can't have your gun leisurely lying around on your truck's floor or near the dashboard or in the back. Exposed firearms should be encased and kept locked for the safety of the driver as well as the passengers. Moreover, you can't have it around your kids at all. Even if you are a cautious driver and you don't have toddlers, you might end up inviting a thief to bash your truck's windows and steal the firearms. To ensure that your truck guns are not only out of plain sight but also secured, you need some kind of truck gun storage solution.

#### PREVENTS DAMAGE TO GEARS

A Charles Daly 601 Field Semi-Auto Shotgun would cost you around \$330, while a Savage Arms 110 Apex Hunter XP Bolt-Action Rifle would cost \$600. Since you also need ammunition for your firearms, add \$100 to \$200 to the final price. Since firearms don't come cheap and require added care and attention, you wouldn't want your investment to go to waste due to dings, dents, or damages, resulting from moving and slipping in your truck while you drive.

# 4 KEY FEATURES YOU NEED TO CHECK IN A TRUCK GUN STORAGE

If you are still with me, it seems that you have made up your mind and plan to buy a truck gun storage rack or box soon. But before you do that, it is important to ensure that you consider the following aspects while shopping for gun storage for trucks.

#### **MATERIAL**

Perhaps one of the most important aspects that you need to consider to buy top-quality gun storage for a truck is its material. We understand how much efforts go into earning money, and after putting so much sweat and blood into it, you don't want to waste it on a cheap quality product. Therefore, make sure that whatever type of storage system you opt for, it should be durable and sturdy.

For instance, if you are opting for a gun rack, you can opt for a steel-made rack with an anti-scratch coating, such as plastisol. But if you want to pick a truck bed gun storage, you may probably want to avoid steel boxes as they are prone to corrosion. You may want to go for a mix of high-impact plastic resin, with a mix of galvanized steel and aluminum, like the <a href="DECKED Drawer System">DECKED Drawer System</a> that is built to keep your gear protected against all elements and secured against theft.



SIZE

Well, size does matter, at least when it comes to gun storage for trucks. The size of your gun rack or storage box depends on the type of firearm you own. For instance, you may not want a full-length gun rack if you carry a Beretta 92FS. For storing your Beretta, you may want to consider buying a truck vault gun storage unit. If you own a hunting rifle, a rear window gun rack, an overhead rack, or a crossover toolbox might be the best option.

#### MOUNTING STYLE

Mounting style depends on the size of your weapon as well as your vehicle. You can't have many mounting styles in a small family vehicle, but you may get different options in a Chevy, Dodge Ram, or Ford. Moreover, some types of gun mounts require one-time installation which means you can't change their positions often. Determine the best mounting style for your vehicle that doesn't put off its looks.

#### SECURITY

Amongst all the other things, security is of utmost importance because you can't risk your investment or leave it at the mercy of passersby or thieves. For instance, if you are more interested in getting a rear window gun rack of your M4, you may want to check if the rack comes with a security lock feature, like any hook and a cable that you can fasten along with a lock.

Similarly, if you are inclined towards a truck bed gun storage, make sure it has a key lock or a biometric for a truck gun vault—whatever gives you a sense of security. Take, for instance, the <u>DECKED</u> Drawer System that offers double the protection to your gears. The DECKED Drawer System comes with a sturdy security lock that you can fortify with the keu lock of your truck tail cover.

# 4 BEST TRUCK GUN STORAGE IDEAS

So far we have discussed some important legal questions regarding truck guns, the importance of truck gun storage systems, and key features to look into. Let's check out some pickup truck gun storage ideas.



# TRUCK BED GUN STORAGE

If you don't feel safe carrying guns inside your cab, truck bed gun storage might be the best option for you. The DECKED Drawer System is the most feasible option for any pickup truck and gun owner looking for a secure gun storage unit. The lockable storage unit gives you ergonomic access to your tactical gear, which you can easily roll out at waist height to retrieve or load your gear. Each drawer storage box can carry 200lbs of payload, which means you can carry your

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#### **OVERHEAD TRUCK GUN RACK**

Overhead gun racks are a feasible option for gun owners who usually use their pickup for work purposes, and don't allow children anywhere near it. If you wish to carry an unloaded firearm in your pickup fasten in an overhead rack, make sure you check its material, size, and security aspects.

# **RUNNING BOARD STORAGE**

Running board storage units are also a great way to conceal and secure your firearms. You don't have direct access to the weapons, as per the gun laws, but you will always have peace of mind as the storage unit is always in sight. However, since running boards are used for steps to access your cab and it is frequently used, it may not be able to offer better protection than a truck bed gun storage box.

# TRUCK VAULT GUN STORAGE UNIT

If you carry a handgun, such as a Beretta, a truck vault gun storage unit would be the best option for you. Most of these vaults come with electronic keypads and have reinforced walls, which mean better security and accessibility for the gun owner. But since the firearm is in close proximity to the driver, you may want to check with your local laws if you can carry a vault in your vehicle.

# CONCLUSION

Regardless of what type of truck gun storage box you may want to use to carry your firearms, we advise that you first consult with a local lawyer, get detailed insights into conceal-carry, and then opt for any of the truck gun storage ideas that we discussed above.

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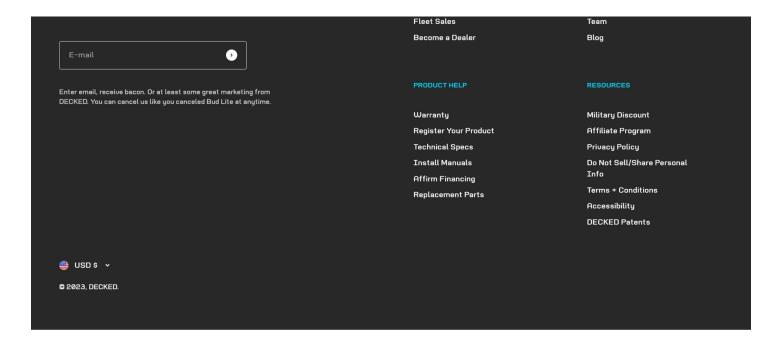




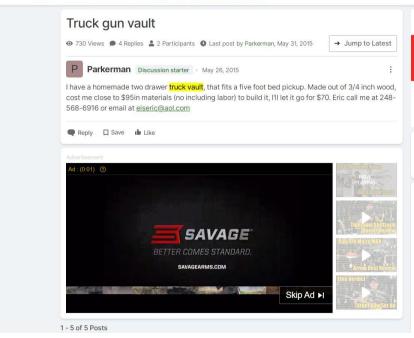




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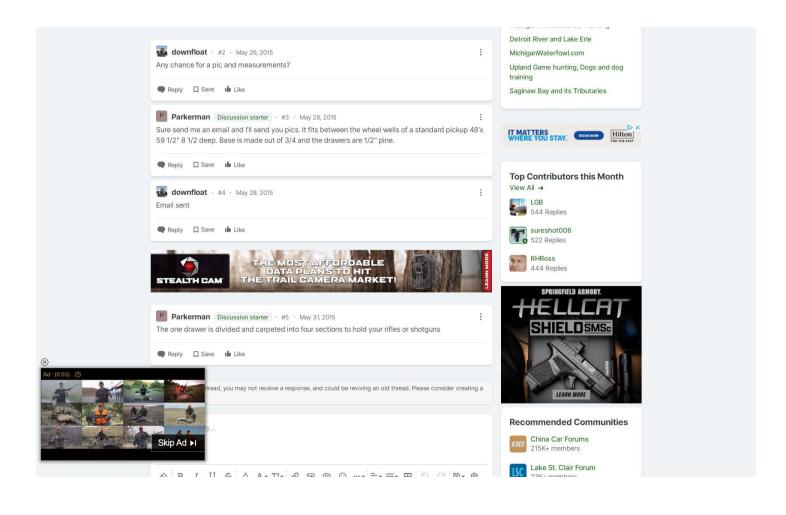
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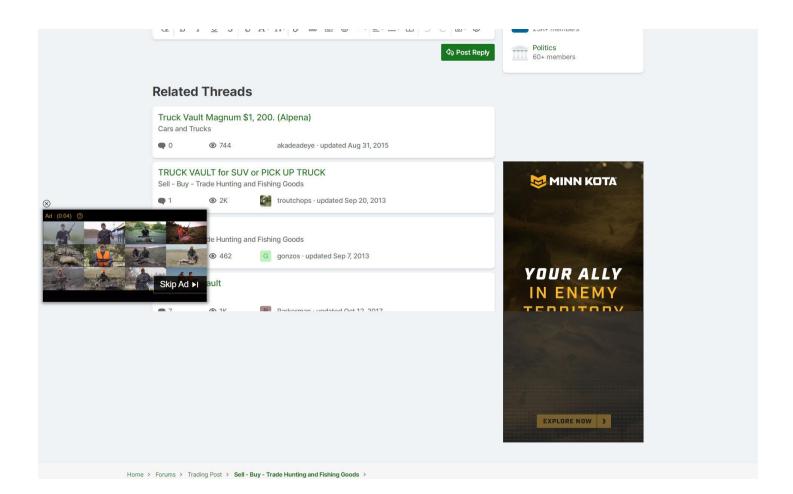
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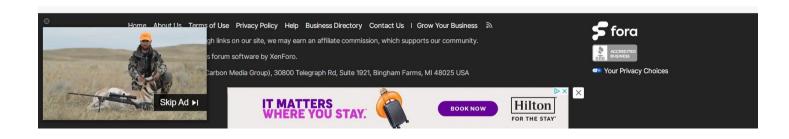
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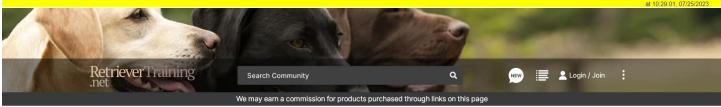
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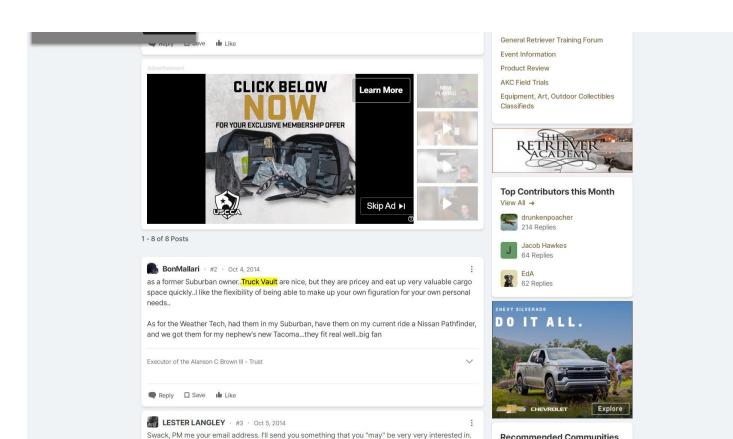
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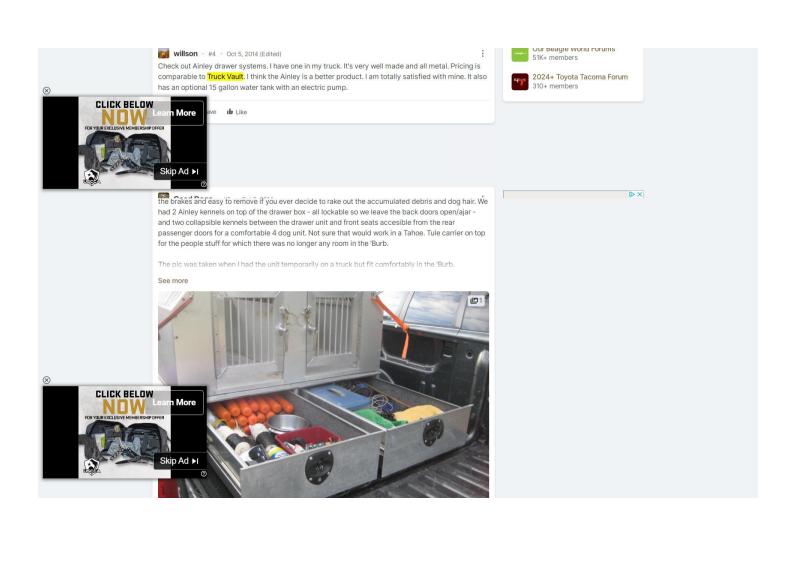


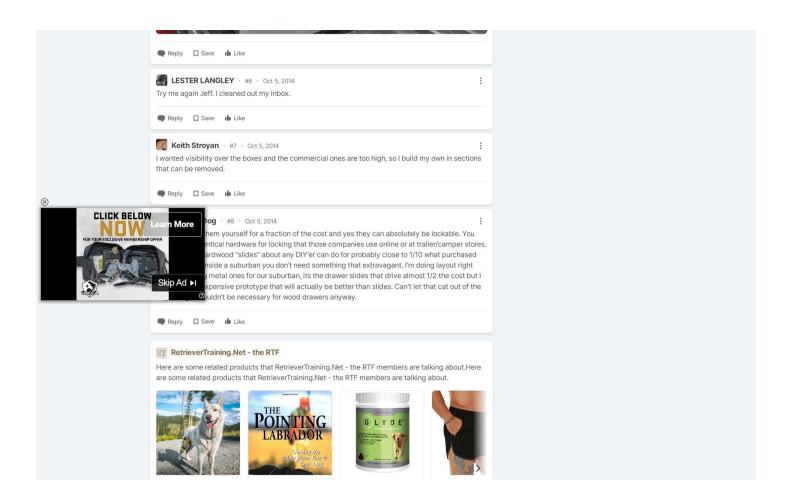
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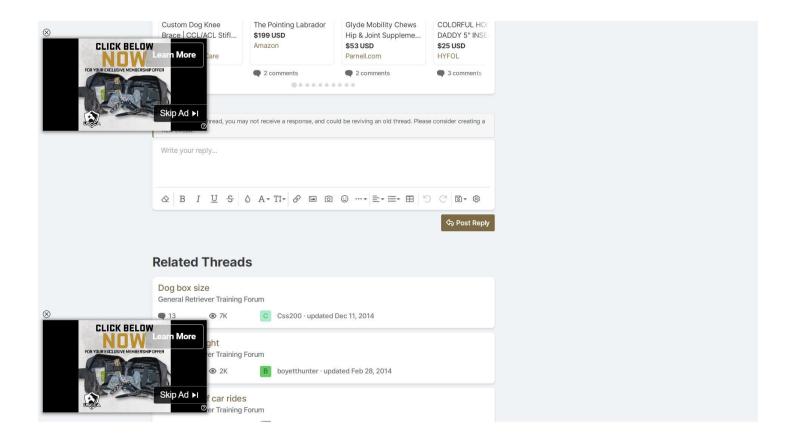
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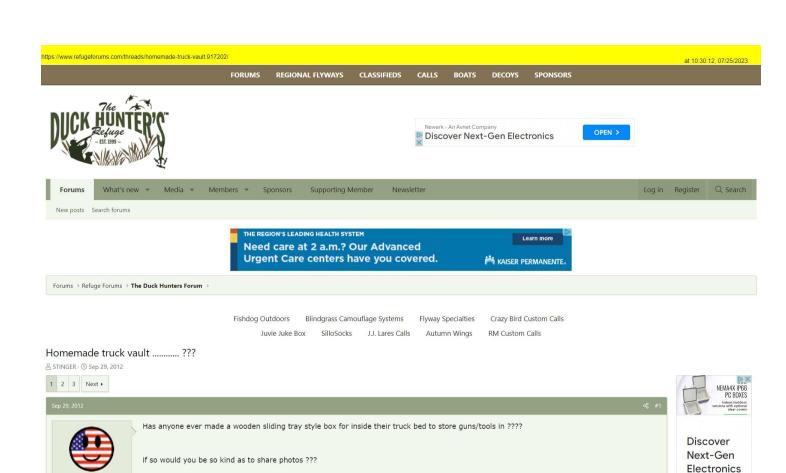
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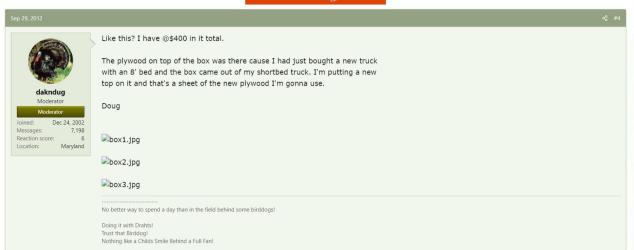
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# **Best Vehicle Gun Safes For 2023**



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Responsible gun owners often have the need to transport weapons in their vehicles. Keeping a gun secure from accidental discharge or theft is a serious responsibility that rests solely on the gun owner and requires the proper equipment to prevent injury or tragedy.

Truck gun safes offer relatively quick access to a gun while keeping it away from people in the vehicle. They eliminate the possibility of a loose firearm discharging in a crash. And, of course, they reduce the risk of theft when the vehicle is unattended. There are dozens of approaches, from very basic boxes with a key to combination locks (both analog and digital), RFID tags that limit access to specific people and even biometric locks where the user's fingerprint is the key. The more tech-oriented and innovative approaches cost more money, and some gun owners say the tech isn't 100-percent reliable and can slow or block access to a gun in an emergency.

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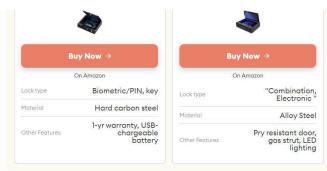
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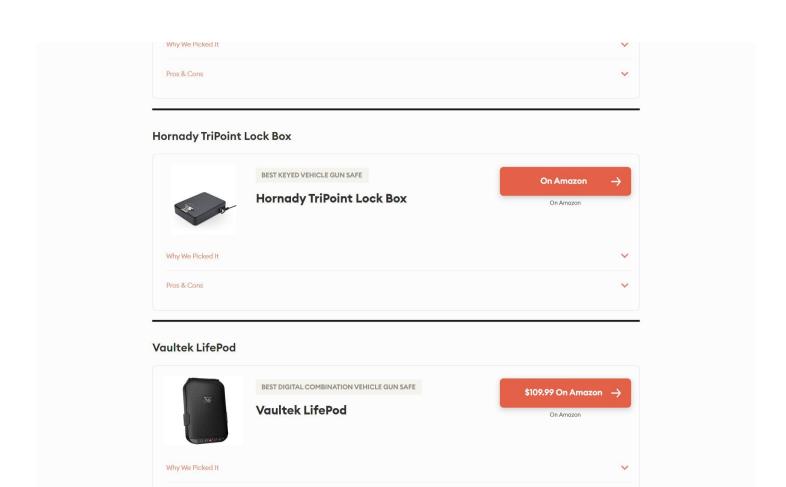
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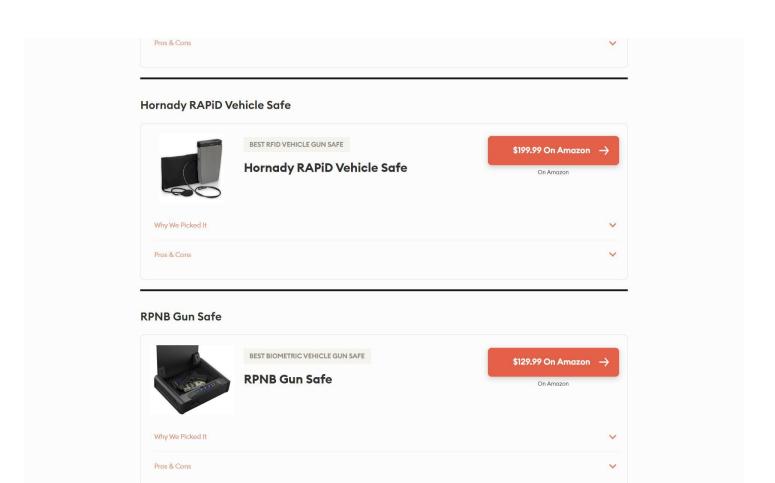


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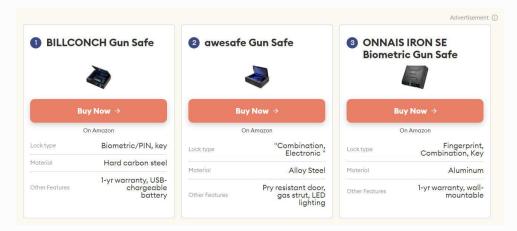
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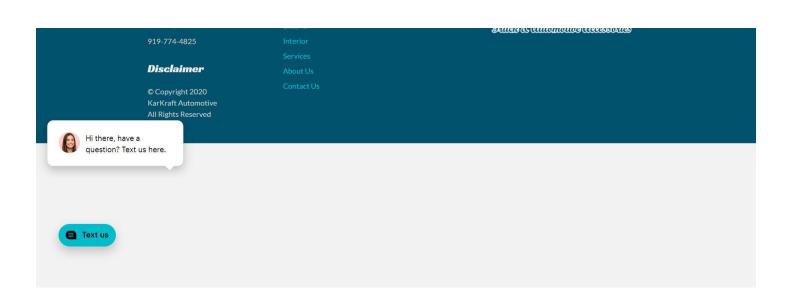
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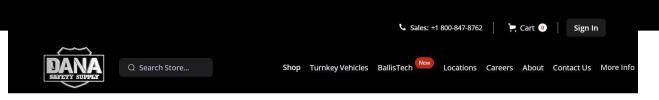
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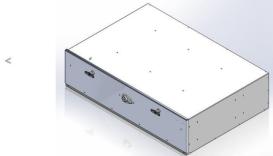
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Chevrolet	Silverado 1500	2015 - 2021
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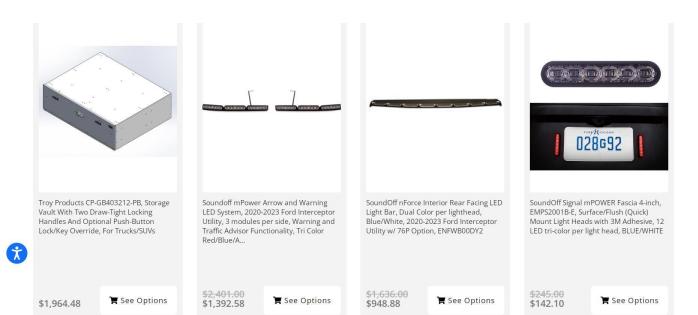
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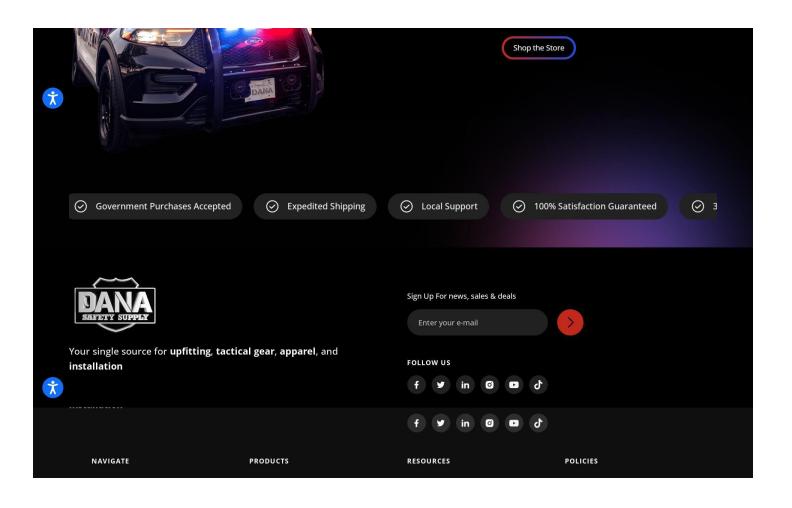
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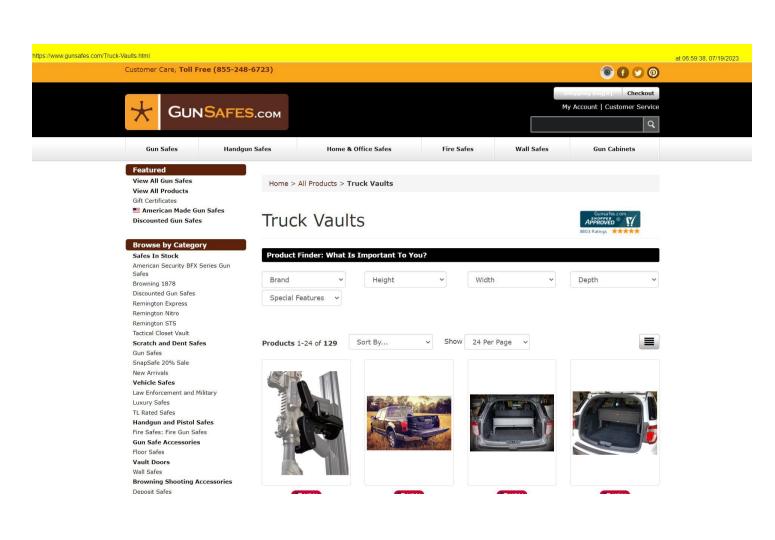












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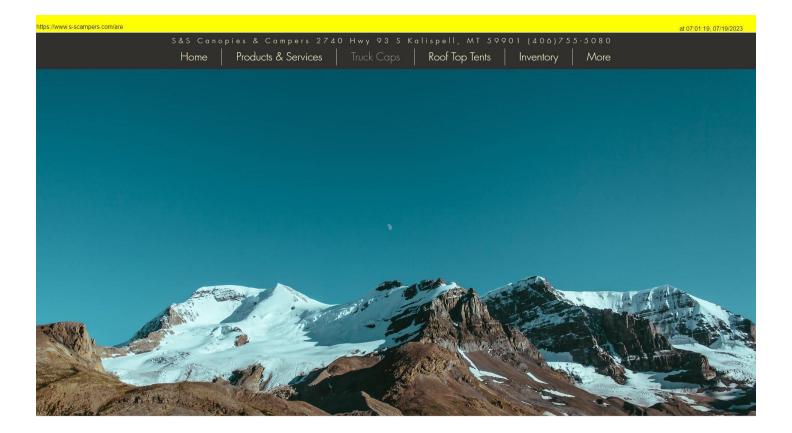






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Base prices on all models include installation and paint to match.

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# Common upgrades

- Roof rack (Thule, Yakima or Rhino Rack)
- Roof rack tracks only (add tracks now, get a roof rack later)
- Keyless Entry (Pairs topper lock w/ trucks key fob)
- 12v power block (Three 12v outlets & two USB ports)
- Lighting (1-2 tube lights or strip lights added to the interior)
- Prop switch (Connects all lighting to power on/off when the rear door is opened & closed)
- Interior headliner (Marine grade interior carpeting, standard on some models)
- Windoors (Flip-up side windows, solid glass or incorporated slider)
- Cargo nets & clothes hangers (For extra interior storage)
- Front slider & fold-down slider window (Fold-down slider window aids in cleaning behind the cab)
- Pet screen (Durable, coated wire screen to cover the bug screens on side slider windows)

ARE Cab High Models

- V Llassic "The value leader." It's functional and comes with all the standard high quality hardware you need to meet your needs. Comes standard with passenger and driver side 50/50 sliding windows, fixed front picture window, and an aluminum framed rear gate.
- CX Classic "Functional and stylish." An upgrade from the V Classic you'll receive a truck cap with upgraded recessed passenger and driver side 50/50 sliding windows. This cap is built from a one piece mold meant to make it look sleeker, have stronger structure, and create a better seal between the cap base and your truck bed.
- CX Evolve "Classic function meets modern design". Our popular CX Evolve cap is paired with our industry's first all glass, tailgate formed rear door, and OneMotion™ handle design to introduce the sleekest and most functional cap on the market. This cap comes standard with interior carpeting and 50/50 sliding passenger and driver side windows.
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  with added solid piece, frameless, recessed and contoured side windows, rather than framed 50/50 sliding windows, for the
  sleekest and most uniform look
- Z Series "Turn your truck into an SUV." Well not quite... but this truck cap will be the sleekest most form fitting cap you can
  get from ARE. This cap comes standard with frameless, all glass, 70/30 passenger and driver side windows. The rear gate is
  also all glass and frameless. This creates the tightest seal possible in all areas. The rear gate has an upgraded palm handle
  on rear gate.
- **Z2 Series** Giving the original Z series a few upgrades this cap includes an all glass rear gate, heavy duty C hinges, interior carpeting, front stiding window, and recessed, solid glass passenger and driver side windows.
- The Overland "A tougher more rugged look." This topper's most noticeable feature is it's two toned off road design: paint to match your truck with additional areas covered in black, spray on protective coating to add strength in high stress areas. All other features are standard to the V Classic model.

\*Maximum height of 20-23" from trucks base rail depending if the truck is a mini, mid, or full size truck

## ARE Mid Rise Model

• MX Classic – "In a class of its own." Similar to the CX Classic but with added head room. This topper is also capable of having the rear gate upgraded to full walk in door option which take place of the trucks tail gate.

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# ARE High Rise Model

TW Classic - The steady rising design of the TW Series takes full advantage of the capacity of your truck bed.
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- HD Heavy duty! Internal aluminum skeleton can be incorporated in to the CX and MX Classic models. This increases
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- OTR Off The Road protection! Add this option and get the exterior of your truck cap covered in a spray-on protective
  coating (like the stuff you'd see in truck beds). This increases strength in high stress areas and is resistant to scratches and
  other damages to regular paint. Cannot be added to the Overland Model.
- DCU Deluxe Commercial Units are great for anyone who's looking for a more heavy duty and storage oriented unit. Great for contractors and builders.
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# GUNSAFES.COM ANNOUNCES THE AVAILABILITY OF BR5930 OLD GLORY "BATTLE READY" TACTICAL GUN SAFE

The America's leading provider of gun safes, GunSafes.com has announced the availability of BR5930 Old Glory "Battle Ready" Tactical Gun Safe at the most competitive prices. This gun safe from the Old Glory has been manufactured using the highest quality materials including cold rolled steel and features continuously welded uni-body construction while meeting national security standards for theft and fire. It comes with a fire rating of 120 minutes at 1880 degrees that is more than enough to protect your valuables through a house fire. Featuring a 4-way positive deadlock locking mechanism, this gun safe is offered with full lifetime warranty for no extra charge.

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GunSafes.com is a renowned name in the industry for offering gun safes of the leading brands including Liberty, Winchester, Fort Knox, Heritage, Cannon, AMSEC, Stack-On, etc. All of their gun safes are quality approved and ensure long service life. The company values their relationship with their customers and strives hard to provide the best customer service. Besides BR5930 Old Glory "Battle Ready" Tactical Gun Safe, the company also offers vault doors, gun racks, diversion safes, truck vaults, and wall safes, just to name a few.

Talking more about their BR5930 Old Glory "Battle Ready" Tactical Gun Safe, a spokesperson of this renowned gun safe store commented, "As for Premium Heavy-Duty Gun Safes, the 1st Class Steel built BR Series 24 Gun 2-Hour Fire Gun Safe is a great choice for Gun Storage and Fire Protection. This Gun Safe by the Old Glory Safe Company is made of 100% Premium superior their deterrence and long lasting durability. The BR Series 24 Gun 2-Hour Fire Gun Safe has special locking features with top security in mind, to give you a gun safe to be usable and secure for your daily gun safe needs."

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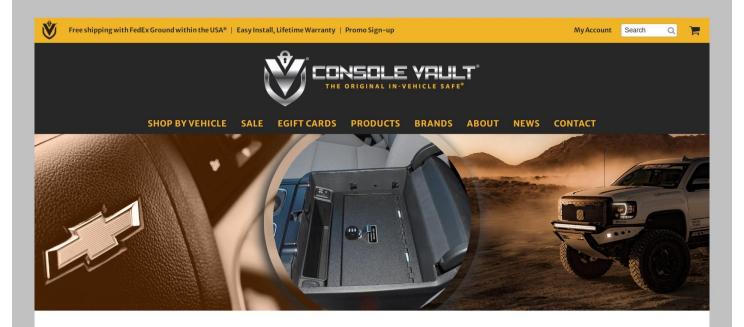
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If you're looking for a Chevy safe for your car or truck, Console Vault has you covered. We provide a variety of in-vehicle safes for the following Chevy models:



CHEVROLET BLAZER	CHEVROLET COLORADO	CHEVROLET EQUINOX	CHEVROLET SUBURBAN	CHEVROLET SILVERADO 1500
CHEVROLET SILVERADO 2500	CHEVROLET SILVERADO 3500	CHEVROLET TAHOE	CHEVROLET TRAVERSE	CHEVROLET AVALANCHE

## **Chevy Console Vaults**

Looking for a Console Vault for your Chevy truck or SUV? We have models designed for Avalanche, Colorado, Silverado, Suburban, and Tahoe ranging from model years 2003-2019.

Not finding your make and/or model? Let us know and we'll be happy to help you find the right Chevy console safe! We're always on the lookout to create new and innovative products for our customers and the easiest way to get your vehicle to the front of the production lines is by making your voice heard. If there are no size constraints that may impede the creation of a vault for your particular vehicle, we'll look into creating a Console Vault product that fits your need.

## **Explore Our Chevy Car and Truck Safe Selection**

At Console Vault, we provide a variety of Chevy safes for cars, trucks and SUVs. No matter the size of your vehicle, our Chevy console safe is intricately crafted to the dimensions and fit of the model's console. Learn more about our Chevy truck safes and Chevy car safes below.

### **Our Chevy Truck Safes**

The design and durability of our Chevy console safe lives up to the standards of one of the leading truck automakers in the nation. The Chevy Silverado is not only one of the most popular pickup trucks on the road, but also one of our best-selling vaults, and we supply units for the 1500, 2500, and 3500 models. In addition to the Silverado, our Chevy truck safes for the Colorado and Avalanche I Sare extremely popular as well.

## **Our Chevy Car Safes**

Versatility, style and functionality are just a few of the things that Chevrolet cars and Console Vault's in-vehicle safes have in common. Whether you're looking for a Chevy car safe for the Blazer, Suburban, Tahoe, or Traverse, our Chevy car safe will house your belongings in a reliable and discreet manner.



## Benefits of Our Chevy Console Safe

Our team at Console Vault is committed to utilizing the latest technology for our Chevy safes and providing you with high-quality, durable solutions to protect your personal property, such as money, firearms, keys, and other belongings.

Additional advantages of purchasing a Chevy console safe at Console Vault include:

- Quick and easy installation that requires no modifications to your vehicle
- All safes composed of 12-gauge steel
- A variety of tamper-resistant locking mechanisms to choose from
- · Meets stringent automotive quality standards
- Free shipping anywhere in the contiguous U.S.
- Backed by Lifetime Warranty





# Ready to Purchase One of Our Chevy Safes for Your Vehicle? Ready to Purchase One of Our Chevy Safes for Your Vehicle?

Our Chevy console safes can give you peace of mind knowing your items will remain secure and untouched in your vehicle. Be sure to shop our selection of Chevy safes, or contact us today for more information!



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# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



## **ORDERING**

HOW IS MY TRUCKVAULT DELIVERED IF I DO NOT BUY THROUGH A DEALER?

TruckVault products are shipped by motor freight and can be delivered to your residence or to a business address. Each TruckVault is carefully packed in cardboard and attached to a pallet.

#### IS IT POSSIBLE TO CHECKOUT A TRUCKVAULT IN PERSON BEFORE I PURCHASE ONE?

 $In \ many \ cases, yes. \ Truck Vault \ has a number \ of \ dealers \ across \ the \ country \ who \ have \ a \ Truck Vault \ on-site. \ Visit \ our \ Dealer \ Page \ to \ find \ one \ near \ you.$ 

### I DON'T SEE MY VEHICLE ON YOUR WEB SITE. DO YOU MAKE A TRUCKVAULT FOR IT?

We can build Truck Vaults to fit nearly any vehicle on the road. Most require slight modifications to existing vaults, while others can require a more thorough redesign. We have also built Truck Vault products to meet individual needs upon request. Please contact us with any questions you may have.

### HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO RECEIVE MY TRUCKVAULT?

Your order is placed in the queue when your order confirmation is received at TruckVault; a ship date is then assigned. You should receive your TruckVault within three to five weeks from the date we receive your order confirmation.

#### CAN YOU BUILD A CUSTOM TRUCKVAULT TO MEET MY SPECIFICATIONS?

 $Certainly.\ Over the years\ we have built\ a number of custom\ Truck Vault\ products, from\ custom\ office\ centers\ to\ modified\ drawer\ layouts,\ and\ much\ more.\ Contact\ us\ today\ with\ your\ needs.$ 

### WHAT DO I DO WITH MY TRUCKVAULT IF I AM SELLING MY VEHICLE?

If the TruckVault will fit in the new vehicle we recommend transferring it. Otherwise contact TruckVault at (800) 967-8107 to explore your options.

#### CAN I BUY A USED TRUCKVAULT?

Yes! Occasionally we have demonstrator and show models available. Someone in your area may also be trading vehicles and looking to sell their existing TruckVault. Your TruckVault sales person can help you with this, and can be reached at **(800) 967-8107** or by email through our contact page. Check out our TruckVault Outlet page which we update regularly with various used TruckVault products!

### DO YOU MAKE OR MARKET ANY OTHER PRODUCTS?

Yes, TruckVault sells a variety of accessory items as well as our SeatVault which goes underneath the backseat of pickup trucks. We have a line of quick access gun vaults called ShotLock we make them for Shotguns, compact

carry and 1911 frame Pistols. We also sell CargoGlide's which are a platform that slides out of the truck bed allowing you easy access to the contents of your truck bed.

## CAN I BUY THE PLANS AND BUILD MY OWN TRUCKVAULT?

Sorry, TruckVault does not sell plans. We do know that many handy people have built their own version of a TruckVault and we wish them well.

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## **GENERAL**

#### WILL MY TRUCKVAULT KEEP CROOKS OUT?

The majority of break-ins happen to those who don't have their car locked because it's easy for crooks to get in and take valuables. By keeping your vehicle locked and having a TruckVault installed, you have 2 barriers to entry to start. Combine that with our top-of-the-line security system and you can sleep soundly at night (in your home or on the road) knowing your valuables will be there when you wake up. Secondly, its no easy task to break into a TruckVault. A criminal with the right tools can open anything but more often than not crooks do not have the time, skill, and tools to break in There's a reason law enforcement, firearms instructors, hunters, and fishers alike have trusted TruckVault with their guns and gear since 1995.

### WHERE IS TRUCKVAULT LOCATED?

Truck Vault now has 2 locations, with our headquarters located at 315 Township Street in historic Sedro-Woolley, Washington and our new manufacturing facility located at 777 Industrial Park Road in Mount Jackson, Virginia.

### WHERE IS THE SERIAL NUMBER?

Each TruckVault has a serial number, which provides TruckVault with information about the product. You will find the serial number on the face of the right hand drawer (2- or multiple-drawer models), or on the right-hand side of the drawer (single drawer).

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## **SPECS**

### WHAT IS THE TRUCKVAULT MADE FROM?

TruckVault Products are manufactured from Medium Density Overlay (MDO). This is the same material you may recognize from its use as highway sign board.

#### HOW DOES MDO COMPARE WITH METAL?

Metal is heavier. Distinct advantages of TruckVault Products include the fact that MDO does not attract moisture, allowing you to store firearms, cameras and other sensitive valuables for long periods of time with much less risk than one would encounter using metal or plastic materials. MDO is a silent partner in your vehicle, no banging or rattling.

## CAN I HAUL HEAVY ITEMS ON MY TRUCKVAULT?

The top surface is 5/8 inch MDO, which is as strong as the floor in your home. Essentially, you can haul anything you can load on top of your Truck Vault. The top surface can easily support as much as 2000 lbs. or more.

#### IS MY STANDARD TRUCKVAULT WATER-PROOF?

No. Your standard TruckVault was designed to install internally in your SUV or, in the case of a pickup truck, with a canopy or cover. Spilled water will have little effect on your TruckVault, however.

## DO YOU MAKE A WATER-PROOF TRUCKVAULT?

TruckVault manufactures the Extreme Series All-Weather TruckVault. Under most circumstance the Extreme Series All-Weather TruckVault is waterproof. The entirety of this unit is wrapped in waterproof, protective liner, while the drawer closures are protected by rubber bulb seal. The All-Weather TruckVault series is available for pickup trucks and open vehicles such as the H-2 SUT.

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#### CAN I GRANGE THE PASS GODE ON MIT POST DUTTON LOCK!

Truck Vault offers more than one push button lock option. Information on how to set or change your lock is shipped with the information packet. The Supra 10-button combination lock info may also be found <a href="here">here</a>. The Simplex 5-button combination lock info may be found <a href="here">here</a>.

If, for some reason, you do not have this information please refer to our page on locks. You may also call Truck Vault at (800) 967-8107 and speak with a technician.

We have also prepared a video walking you through the process of changing the combination of your Simplex Five Button lock. To view the video, <u>click here.</u>

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## INSTALL

### HOW HARD IS IT TO INSTALL MY NEW TRUCKVAULT?

Over the years, TruckVault products have been installed by thousands of sportsmen and agencies. Your TruckVault comes fully assembled except where components must be joined. In these cases, pieces are joined with machine screws into machine receivers. Considering TruckVault products are large, we suggest two people be involved in the initial install. Installation in a Suburban takes minutes while a full-size pickup truck unit may require most of an hour.

### CAN MY TRUCKVAULT BE REMOVED?

Indeed it can. Many TruckVault users do remove them from time to time. It seems the biggest issue is, "Where do I put all of the stuff I stored in my TruckVault?".

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CARE

HOW DO I CARE FOR MY TRUCKVAULT?

Carpeted surfaces should be vacuumed periodically. Wood or composite features should be dealt with as you would any wooden household furniture. If tracks or rollers need service, do so with a silicone spray. Oil-based lubricants will attract and hold dust and dirt particles which can effect function and cause damage.

## HOW DO I ATTACH THE TRUCKVAULT TO MY VEHICLE?

All TruckVault Products are shipped with a means of attachment. These vary from vehicle to vehicle. Your TruckVault will come with easy-to-follow installation instructions and attachment detail.

## WHAT DO I DO IF I HAVE PROBLEMS WITH MY TRUCKVAULT?

Your TruckVault is warrantied. If you should have problems please call TruckVault immediately at (800) 967-8107 and speak with one of our in-house problem solvers. Hopefully your issues can be addressed without returning the TruckVault. For further information, please see the page covering our warranty.

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If you've ever wished for a better way to keep your gear secure and organized in your truck bed, you're not alone. In fact, you're a lot like our CEO, Al Chandler, who, when faced with the same situation twenty-five years ago, decided to do something about it. In 1996, Al embarked on a truck bed storage DIY project, and the result was the first ever <a href="TruckVault truck">TruckVault truck</a> bed storage system.

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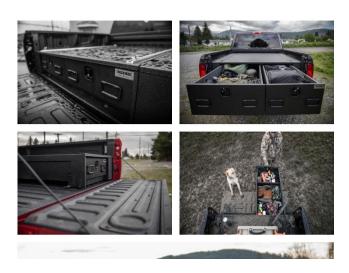
Here at TruckVault, we know that your truck is a vital component of your everyday life, whether you're in a law enforcement, military, or tactical setting or need secure transportation for your firearms, fishing rods, photography equipment, camping supplies and much more. If you own any sort of valuable gear like that, you know the importance of durability and security. By protecting from both the natural elements and thieves, TruckVault gives you the peace of mind you need to do your job with excellence or enjoy your sport or hobby to the fullest.

Regardless of your pickup bed size and length, we make a highly customizable TruckVault storage system that will not only organize but also protect and secure your gear. Further customization includes drawer height, dividers, finishes, and lighting. And though we now make TruckVaults for virtually any vehicle on the road, we're staying true to our name by continuing to build custom vaults for our original customers those with pickup trucks who have expensive gear they need to keep safe and secure.

We don't consider it bragging to say that we're good at this. Having made products for pickup trucks for twenty-five years, we hold ourselves to high

standards - from the early design process to quality craftsmanship to installation in your vehicle and every moment in between, we are committed to the highest caliber product possible for the sake of our customers satisfaction. See so for yourself: if you have a truck bed storage idea you'd like to see come to life, give us a call and see what we can do to turn that idea into reality.

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We offer a truly weatherproof truck bed storage solution with our All-Weather Line.

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<u>Truck Vaults</u> are durable, customizable, and
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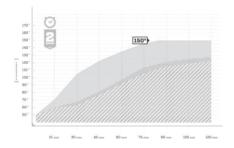
Check out some of the tests we've done to make sure we offer the best product on the market for truck bed storage:

### Is it waterproof?

Yes! We've even taken fire hoses to the front of our TruckVault Secure Storage Systems. That's more
than 100 pounds of direct water pressure, and not a drop got inside.

#### Con it take the best?

- We tracked down a truck-sized oven to find out. In an effort to simulate the brutal desert heat inside a vehicle at midday, we tested to see what kind of effect 150° Fahrenheit had on our vaults.
- The result? After two hours in a test oven heated to 150° F, each TruckVault remained roughly 28% cooler than the leading metal competitor. TruckVault products provided superior insulation and protection across the board, making them the best option compared to competing steel or plastic products for protecting sensitive electronics, plastics, food, ammunition, and other heat-sensitive cargo.



See the results of hour heat test!

### Can it carry the load?

Whatever you're hauling, we're proud to say our drawers can handle 300 lbs. without reaching full
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The mayor says several new businesses opening in fort stockton have created new jobs.. But strained housing. The latest is a hardware chain that is opening in the old k-mart building.

Odessa police are investigating a case where someone broke into a vehicle at an odessa hotel and stole three specialized rifles used in competition shooting. Susan rogers has more in this week's crime stoppers report ... This week odessa crime stoppers needs your help with a vehicle burglary. On march 31st a black ford excursion was in a parking lot at a local hotel. Unknown persons entered the vehicle which was equipped with a <u>truck vault</u> that was loaded with sporting guns. Three very unique over and under shotguns used for skeet competition were taken. One shotgun, a perazzi mx8 similar to the one in the photograph had a customized stock and the barrels were magnaported. The other perazzi was a model b2000 with a walnut stock. Also taken was a one of a kind knieghoft

k80 which was also customized. Total value of these guns is \$40,000.00 if you are the first caller with information that leads to the arrest of the person involved in this crime, it will be worth a cash reward. Call odessa crime stoppers at 333- tips and you will remain anonymous. Or go to our website at www.Odessacrimestopp ers.Org and send us a secure tip. I susan rogers for odessa crime stoppers and cbs7. Coming up.... Valuable information concerning athletic scholarships ... And our produce man talks about the number one food for cinco de mayo... Set\*\*}

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The following information was released by the office of the California Attorney General:

Attorney General Edmund G. Brown Jr. announced at a news conference today that, working with Imperial County District Attorney Gilbert Otero, his office has secured indictments against 16 individuals and seized over 550 pounds of cocaine and marijuana, dealing a "body blow" to Mexico's notorious Sinaloa drug cartel.

The indictments and seizures come as part of "Operation Silver Fox," a joint investigation between the Attorney General's Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement, the Imperial County Narcotic Task Force, Imperial County District Attorney Otero, and Imperial County Sheriff Raymond Loera.

"This notorious cartel smuggled massive quantities of cocaine and marijuana into Southern California, fueling addiction and violence across the nation," Brown said. "Through a very dangerous and courageous undercover appreciant the Pursey of Narrotic Enforcement and Imperial County Narrotic Tack Enroc has dealt a hady blow to

operation, the dureau of marcolic emorcement and impenal County marcolic rask Force has dealt a body blow to this syndicate and seized hundreds of pounds of narcotics."

Initiated in January 2009, the investigation found that the Mexican cartel smuggled drugs into Southern Californiaoften through the Calexico ports of entry using vehicles equipped with hidden compartments-and would subsequently distribute the drugs to buyers in cities throughout the United States and Canada.

The 8-month investigation included more than 100 surveillance operations (carried out in Bell Gardens, Calexico, Colton, Fontana, Los Angeles, Ontario, Pacoima, Rialto, Riverside and San Diego), 30 undercover meetings and the execution of 6 search warrants. The operations resulted in the seizure of:

- 420 pounds of cocaine and 136 pounds of marijuana, with a combined street value of more than \$19 million;
- \$1.7 million in U.S. currency; and
- 9 firearms, including 7 handguns and 2 assault rifles.

In addition to smuggling drugs across the border, the cartel also purchased cocaine from other drug traffickers in San Bernardino, Los Angeles and Imperial Counties. The drugs were ultimately distributed to local buyers in Southern California, Atlanta, Chicago, New York and Canada in large monthly shipments.

A March 2009 operation, for instance, resulted in the seizure of a large cargo truck used as a cocaine vault to distribute more than 1,000 pounds of drugs every month to Canada, for two years. The seizure came after agents followed a vehicle from Imperial County to an auto repair shop in Pomona. At the shop, agents seized 51 pounds of

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cocaine from hidden compartments in the vehicle and an additional 119 pounds of cocaine from the cargo <u>truck</u> <u>vault</u>.

In addition to the vehicle, cargo truck and cocaine seized in Pomona, the following vehicles were seized over the course of the investigation:

- 1996 Honda Accord with 37.4 pounds of cocaine hidden in the vehicle in February 2009;
- 2003 Ford Expedition with 37.4 pounds of cocaine hidden in the vehicle in February 2009;
- 2000 Ford Excursion with \$19,106 hidden in the vehicle in February 2009;
- 2000 Nissan Xterra with 81 pounds of cocaine hidden in the vehicle in March 2009;
- 2003 Toyota 4Runner with \$658,470 hidden in the vehicle in March 2009;
- 2007 GMC Yukon with \$738,960 hidden in the vehicle in April 2009;
- 2003 GMC Pick-up truck with 97 pounds of cocaine hidden in the vehicle in April 2009;
- 2001 Dodge Pick-up truck involved in the purchase of 22 pounds of cocaine in May 2009; and
- 2001 Dodge Dakota involved in the purchase of 22 pounds of cocaine in May 2009.

Based on the results of the investigation, the Imperial County Grand Jury indicted the following 16 suspects:

- Marco Mendoza, 43, of South Gate, Calif. was arrested in March 2009 and is being held in Los Angeles County Jail;
- Gerald William Andrews, 42, of Pacoima, Calif. was arrested in July 2009 and is being held in Imperial County Jail;
- Lorena Lara, 29, of Fontana, Calif. was arrested in August 2009 and is being held in San Bernardino County Jail;

- Juan Berumen Sandoval, 44, of Rialto, Calif. was arrested in August 2009 and is being held in Imperial County Jail;
- Juan Gabriel Molina, 28, of South Gate, Calif.;
- Hilario Lopez Rodriguez, 43, of Pacoima, Calif.;
- Norberto Ruelas Urias, 39, of Long Beach, Calif.;
- Ramon Valenzuela, 33, of South Gate, Calif.;
- Rodrigo Grijalva, 31, of Mexicali, Mexico;
- Jose Abraham Guzman, 26, of Mexicali, Mexico;
- Cesar Yaserf Lara, 21, of Mexicali, Mexico;
- Sergio Villagrana Murillo, 62, of Mexicali, Mexico; and
- Four other suspects whose names are being withheld to avoid compromising future arrests.

The investigation is ongoing. Brown's agents continue to work with U.S., Mexico and local law enforcement officials to apprehend the outstanding suspects.

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In addition to the news conference, Brown today met with Mexico, U.S., state and local law enforcement officials to discuss how to improve intelligence gathering, law enforcement action and cross-border collaboration. This includes a first-of-its-kind meeting between Brown, Mexico's Baja California Attorney General, the Imperial County District Attorney and Sheriff.

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