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DRAWING THE WEAPON

Opening the standard magnetic closure is virtually silent, unlike a zipper or Velcro. Pull on the lower edge of the cover with the fingers of the drawing hand, releasing the magnetic closure and flipping the cover up out of the way. The thumb is used to momentarily retain the flap up. Keeping the fingers straight move directly to the front face. Continuing the motion with the trigger finger extended, grasp the firearm's butt with the two or three remaining fingers, initiating the draw and pulling the gun from the holster. As the gun starts to come up from the holster, wrap the thumb around the butt securing the grip and completing the draw with the trigger finger extended. (The trigger cannot be engaged until the gun clears the holster)

As the gun is brought up the weak side hand can be employed for a two-hand grip, while the trigger finger remains alongside the trigger guard until the sights are on target and it has been determined to take the shot. With minimal practice the first shot can be away in about the same time as a thumb-break holster, generally on the order of 1.5 seconds or less. The weapon can be re-holstered one-handed.

OTHER APPLICATIONS

<u>VEHICLE</u>: Open the flap and drop the holster into the door pocket; let the flap overhang the pocket edge for full concealment. The PDA can also be attached to seat belts, safety harnesses, or hand holds.

NIGHT TIME: Slip the cover flap under the mattress for a motel night time holster.

FIT KIT INSTRUCTIONS

Holster Fit Kits come in three sizes with the appropriate 1.25", 1", or 0.75" thick L-inserts (L-shaped), and matching 1/4" thick side pads. Each L-insert is pre-scored at 1/4" on four edges and has peel-off adhesive applied to the front and rear face. Pads have adhesive on one face.

Prior to installing the L-insert, pads are used to bring the pistol up from the holster bottom (Muzzle Pad) and/or position left or right (Slide Pad or Butt Pad) for best access in the space provided to grasp the butt. Multiple thicknesses can be used as needed.

Lay the pistol as determined with pads, if used, on the User Scale Chart included with the holster. Trace the muzzle, barrel dust cover, and trigger guard on the Chart. Remove the pistol and position the L-insert at the lower right corner of the appropriate holster sizing diagram. Using the tracing lines, initially cut the L-insert over-sized so it can be fitted and the tightness or looseness can be trimmed as desired. Retention does not have to be too tight as the flap retains the pistol in the holster.

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The L-insert should be trimmed to fit the barrel, trigger guard, and laser if used, to retain the pistol in an upright position. Once fitted, the peel-offs are removed and the insert and pads are installed. For best results warm adhesive with a hair dryer, install, and then allow to cure overnight. If usage causes adhesive to loosen, it can be rejuvenated with 3M 77 spray adhesive. One fit kit comes with each holster; replacements available.

INSTALLING and USING the PADDLE

The Paddle Accessory retrofits to all models except the PDA-6 and utilizes the standard belt straps on the back of the holster. The PDA-6 comes with a belt/pants clip only. Begin by removing the weapon from the holster and releasing both belt strap snaps.

- 1) Slide the flat plate under the two belt straps.
- 2) Using a thumb, position one of the belt strap snaps into the matching flat plate hole.
- 3) With a hand or other backing inside the holster, engage the belt strap snap through the hole and into the holster back snap. Repeat for the second strap and snaps.

When ready to wear the holster replace the weapon and close the cover, engaging the magnetic closure.

Holding the forward top side of the holster between thumb and fingers, insert your index finger between the paddle and the flat plate, which will provide enough clearance to slide the paddle over the belt and inside the pants if the belt and pants are pulled out slightly. Position the holster forward or back for the most comfort.

The paddle can be used to position the holster on a seat or shoulder belt. Or drop the holster into the door pocket, leaving the flap overhanging outside of the door pocket.

CAUTION: The paddle was designed to be comfortable and extremely light weight. Opening the paddle and flat plate beyond 40 degrees will stress the hinge area and lead to breakage. 120227