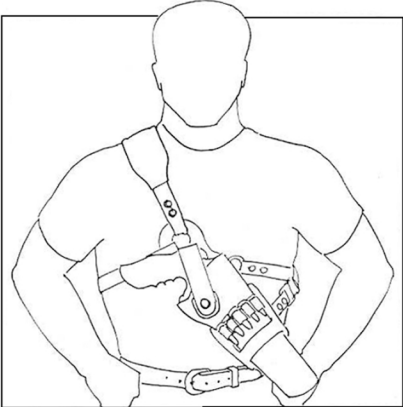




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PRODUCT INFORMATION GUIDE KODIAK / KODIAK HUNTER / GREAT ALASKAN SHOULDER SYSTEMS



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SAFETY SYMBOL DEFINITIONS

⚠ DANGER

Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided,
will result in death or serious injury.

⚠ WARNING

Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided,
could result in death or serious injury.

⚠ CAUTION

Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided,
could result in minor or moderate injury

NOTICE

Used to address practices unrelated to potential
personal injury.

IMPORTANT SAFETY WARNINGS AND INSTRUCTIONS READ PRIOR TO USING GALCO PRODUCTS

⚠ DANGER

**Firearms users must understand and
obey the Rules of Firearms Safety:**

- 1. All firearms are always loaded.**
- 2. Never let the muzzle cover anything
you’re not willing to destroy.**
- 3. Keep your finger off the trigger until
your sights are on target.**
- 4. Be sure of your target and what’s beyond.**

⚠ WARNING Failure to heed these warnings or follow
the operating instructions may result in negligent
discharge of a firearm, causing serious injury or death.

Read and understand all owner’s manuals, instructions,
and guides prepared by the manufacturer of your firearm
prior to use.

Galco holsters are designed to carry specific firearms.

⚠ WARNING Before use, be sure the holster selected is
designed and intended to carry your particular
firearm.

If you have any questions about correct fit, contact
Galco Customer Service at 800-874-2526 or
customerservice@galcogunleather.com.

You may also visit GalcoGunleather.com and use our
online fitting guide.

⚠ WARNING Carrying a firearm in an ill-fitting or
improper holster can result in serious injury or death.
The purchase and use of a Galco holster is at the sole
and exclusive risk of the user.

READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS ENTIRE GUIDE PRIOR TO USING THIS RODUCT

Firearms are inherently dangerous. Improper or careless
use of a firearm or firearm and holster may result in
serious injury or death. It is the user’s responsibility
to possess a thorough knowledge of, and be properly
trained in, all aspects of firearm use, including holster
use and safety.

⚠ WARNING Do not place a loaded firearm in a holster
without first testing – with a firearm double-checked
and verified to be unloaded – for a proper firearm fit.

⚠ CAUTION Tension units are not pre-set at the factory.
If a holster has tension units, it is the user’s
responsibility to ensure they are appropriately
adjusted to appropriately retain the firearm.

Carry the firearm in the safe condition recommended by
its manufacturer. This information will be contained in
the product information manual provided by the firearm
manufacturer. If you do not have the manual applicable
to the firearm, contact the firearm’s manufacturer.

Always ensure the firearm is fully seated in the holster,
and that it activates all automatic or manual retention
devices (when provided). Retention devices must be
used when provided.

⚠ WARNING If the firearm in not properly secured by
means of friction or the retention device(s), it could
become dislodged, causing injury and possibly death
to the user and others.

⚠ WARNING Never holster a firearm in the single-action
mode, unless it is a semi-automatic pistol and holster
designed and intended for “cocked and locked” or
“Condition One” carry.

⚠ WARNING Always ensure that a single-action pistol
carried in “Condition One” has the manual safety
engaged when carrying in a holster.

⚠ WARNING Do not attempt to cock a holstered firearm,
as this may damage the firearm, the holster, or both,
and may contribute to a negligent discharge.

⚠ CAUTION Always protect an exposed magazine
release from accidental activation.

⚠ WARNING When drawing a firearm or replacing it in
the holster, DO NOT place your finger on the trigger,
in the trigger guard, or near the trigger. Position your
finger along the frame of the firearm above the trigger
guard. Keep your finger off the trigger until your
sights are on target.

NOTICE When placing the firearm into the holster,
always place your thumb over the hammer or behind
the slide. This will enable you to feel if the hammer
starts to move rearward, or the slide begins to come
out of battery.

⚠ WARNING If a firearm falls out of its holster, it may
fire, causing death or serious injury.

Always place your hand on the firearm and holster when
running or performing other physically vigorous
activities.

It is the user’s responsibility to maintain the holster by
regularly checking component parts for excessive wear
and proper function. This includes, but is not limited to,
tension units, snap closures and retention devices.

Checking tension units each time the holster is used is
required as part of your regular safety inspection.

Applying a small amount of clear nail polish to the
threads of the tension units, after proper adjustment, will
help minimize screw loosening.

⚠ WARNING Do not use customized, modified, worn
or broken firearms, or those otherwise outside the
original manufacturer’s specifications, in a Galco
holster.

Do not in any way modify, disassemble, or remove
any part from this holster, except as approved and
recommended in Galco’s Product Information
Guide.

Do not rely on any holster being “snatch proof”
regardless of the number of retention devices it may
feature. Rely only on proper training and situational
awareness.

NOTICE Do not expose your holster to extreme
heat, such as the interior of a car in summer, or leave
it otherwise exposed to the elements.

CARRY CONDITION OF THE FIREARM

⚠ WARNING Some single-action revolvers and some
semi-automatic pistols must be carried with the
hammer or firing pin resting on an empty chamber.

Carrying any firearm with a live cartridge in the chamber
immediately in front of the firing pin may cause a
negligent discharge. Information regarding the safe carry
condition of your firearm will be contained in the product
information manual provided by the firearm’s
manufacturer. If you are unsure of the safe carry
condition(s) of your firearm, contact the firearm’s
manufacturer.

⚠ WARNING Galco holsters with retention straps
intended for single-action pistols (such as the 1911)
are designed for “hammer down, empty chamber”
carry, unless otherwise specified. Galco holsters
without retention straps (open top) are designed to
carry single-action pistols in all safe conditions of
carry as specified by the firearm manufacturer.

IF ANY DOUBT EXISTS AS TO THE SERVICABILITY OR SAFETY OF A GALCO PRODUCT, IMMEDIATELY CEASE USING IT

**If you have questions, contact:
Galco Customer Service at 800-874-2526
or customerservice@galcogunleather.com.**

Galco has made every effort to properly label all holsters
for the specific firearms they fit. However, firearms
manufacturers often make changes to their firearms that
affect holster fit.

Galco will not be responsible for such changes, nor for
typographical or other human errors that may occur. It is
the user’s responsibility to ensure proper holster fit with
actual firearms.

It is important to understand that all products, including
firearms and holsters, may eventually “wear out” or
become unsuitable for the function for which they were
designed. Stress and strain placed on a product will very
according to frequency and conditions of use, and
therefore it is difficult to indicate a recommended
replacement date for this product.

INSPECTIONS / MAINTENANCE, ADDITIONAL USER RESPONSIBILITIES

⚠ WARNING It is the user’s responsibility to ensure
that the item remains serviceable and safe, and able to
continue service within its design intent.

NOTICE It is the user’s responsibility to inspect
the holster before and after each use for signs of
excessive wear or loss of retention capability, and
appropriate tightness of all hardware.

PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

Galco products are generally identified with a two-part
code stamped into the holster body or label affixed to the
item.

An alphabetical or alphanumeric prefix identifies the
holster model. For example, the FLETCH model's prefix
is FL while the Royal Guard's prefix is RG.

The numerical suffix identifies the particular firearm the
holster is intended to fit. For example, the 212 suffix
indicates a 5" 1911 while the 224 suffix indicates a Glock
17. The letter "B" or "H" at the end of the code indicates
color. B is for black, H for havana brown, while no letter
generally indicates tan.

Thus, an FL212 (FL + 212 + no letter) will be a tan
FLETCH to fit a 5" 1911, while an RG224B (RG + 224 +
B) will be a black Royal Guard for a Glock 17.

Holsters intended for Galco’s modular shoulder systems
display letters and numbers that correspond to guns. A
Miami Classic holster intended for a SIG P320, for
example, will simply read 820. A VHS holster intended
for a Beretta 92FS will read V202.

The numerical suffix of holsters intended for right-hand
or ambidextrous use will end in an even number. The
suffix of holsters intended for left-hand use will end in an
odd number.

You may use the search field found at
GalcoGunleather.com to locate a holster fit. Simply enter
the model number on the item (FL224B, for example) in
the field. Should you have questions regarding the
identification of the firearm intended for your Galco
product, you may also contact Galco’s customer service
department at 800-874-2526 (during business hours) or
by email at customerservice@galcogunleather.

⚠ WARNING A small number of Galco holsters are
approved for use with multiple firearms. Care must
always be taken to ensure your holster is an
appropriate and approved fit for your firearm. Never
carry a firearm in any holster not specifically
recommended by Galco for that firearm.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PURCHASE OF
A GALCO PRODUCT! WE APPRECIATE
YOUR BUSINESS.

Galco's Kodiak™, Kodiak Hunter™, and Great Alaska™ Shoulder Holsters include holster, shoulder strap and torso strap. All three holsters are constructed from full grain Premium Steerhide™. These shoulder systems come per-assembled and need only be adjusted for gun position and comfort. There is no need to unsnap the shoulder straps while making adjustments. All fit adjustments can be made at the buckles with the snaps secured. Ammo Carriers may be purchased separately.

DO

⚠ WARNING

Keep your finger off the trigger until your sights are on the target!!

NOTICE

Ensure that all screws are tightened snugly. Applying a small amount of clear nail polish to the threads will minimize screw back out.

Full grain leather holsters that come in contact with bodily perspiration, the elements, or become soiled on a regular basis may need to be treated periodically to slow the natural breakdown of the leather fibers. Dry the leather naturally, without any type of artificial heat. Use Galco Leather Lotion, which will replace the natural oils in the leather.

DON'T

⚠ WARNING

Do not place a loaded firearm in a holster without first testing – with a firearm double-checked and verified to be unloaded – for proper firearm fit.

NOTICE

Do not store your firearm in a holster if the holster is damp from perspiration or in otherwise moist condition.

Do not use LocTite® or threadlock. Out-gassing from these adhesive compounds will adversely affect plastic, nylon and rubber holster parts.

Do not submerge or saturate your leather product in water or any other liquid or dry your leather product with heat from a dryer, oven, radiator, direct sunlight, etc.

Do not use products such as Neats Foot or Mink oil, as they will damage the leather. Additionally, do not use Galco Leather Lotion or other leather conditioners on Premium Center Cut Steerhide.

Do not leave your Galco product on the dashboard of your car in summer, or leave it otherwise exposed to the elements.

NOTICE

The above care and maintenance instructions cannot substitute for your good common sense. Following our recommended care and maintenance tips, along with common sense, will allow you to get the maximum service life from your Galco products.

HOLSTER FIT / BREAK-IN

Galco leather holsters are made of the finest materials and are precision molded to specific firearms. It may appear the holster fit is too tight at first, but this is by design. We engineer our holsters to fit tightly knowing the leather fibers will relax to the proper fit with use.

⚠ WARNING

UNLOAD YOUR FIREARM
(chamber, magazine, cylinder) before testing holster fit.

If the fit is too tight when holstering your firearm the first time don't force it. If you do force the firearm into the holster, it may be very difficult to remove. Instead, follow these simple steps to break in your new holster using a process called blocking:

HOLSTER FIT / BREAK-IN (continued)

- 1 Place the unloaded firearm in a plastic freezer bag, or cover it in 2-3 layers of plastic kitchen wrap. Do not cover the grip.
- 2 Insert the bagged/wrapped firearm slowly into the holster, gently twisting it side-to-side to minimize tearing of the bag/wrap.
- 3 Once the firearm is completely seated in the holster, twist it approximately 1/16" in both directions 6-12 times.
- 4 Allow the bagged/wrapped firearm to sit in the holster for approximately 15 minutes.
- 5 Remove the firearm from the holster and remove the bag/wrap from the firearm.
- 6 Insert the unloaded firearm into the holster, which should now be snug but not loose. If it is still too tight, repeat the above steps until the holster is broken in to your satisfaction.

NOTICE

If your holster has a retention strap:
You may need to stretch the retention strap using your fingers only (no tools, no water, no chemicals, etc.), before you get it to snap.

- 1 Place your unloaded firearm in the holster.
- 2 Hold the firearm grip in your strong hand and the retention strap in your support hand.
- 3 Prepare the strap for stretching by grasping the snap and pulling the strap taut (remove the slack).
- 4 Twist the strap 90 degrees back and forth in a clockwise and counterclockwise rotation 10-12 times while keeping it taut.
- 5 Firmly push the firearm away from you while pulling on the strap and continue rotating the strap.
- 6 Release the tension for a moment and repeat two or three times.
- 7 Pull the strap over the back of the firearm without releasing tension.
- 8 While maintaining the strong tension, attempt to snap the retention strap closed.
- 9 Repeat step five as needed.

Following and repeating the above instructions is the only way to an ideal break-in and long service life with proper fit that will last many years.

It is common for the inside of a leather holster to scratch from a single holstering (called etching). A smooth leather lined holster will be even more subject to this normal occurrence. After this initial etching, the holster will custom fit your firearm.

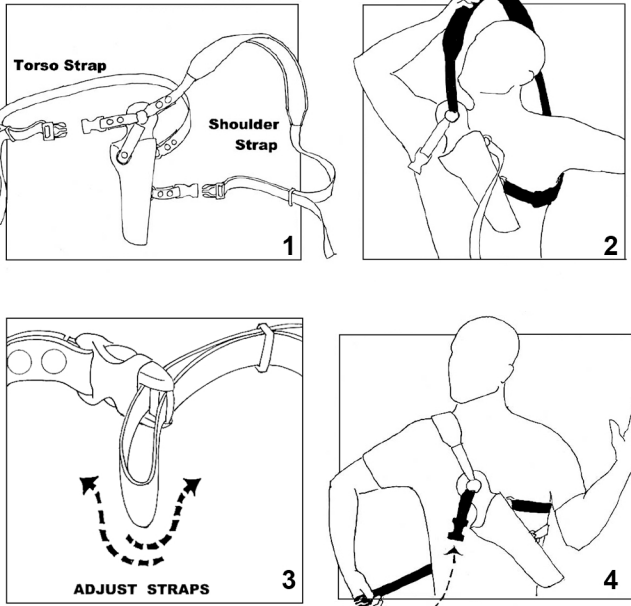
Try our Draw-Ez™ applied to the inside of your leather holster to shorten the break-in period and provide a slicker draw. Draw-Ez only treats the interior surface of the holster and will not be absorbed by the leather or harm the finish of your firearm.

SHOULDER HOLSTER FIT

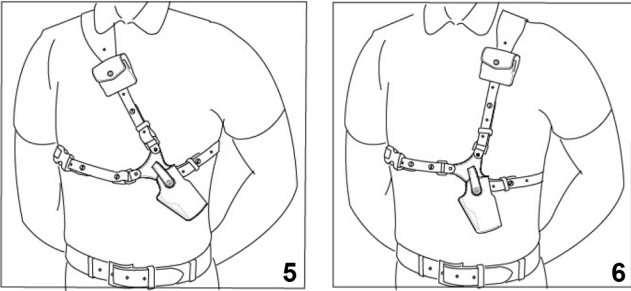
1. To adjust the **Kodiak** and **Kodiak Hunter** begin by unbuckling the torso strap. **See illustration 1.** Then grasp the system by the shoulder pad and slip the weak arm through the shoulder strap. Pass the shoulder strap over your head. Position the shoulder pad comfortably on your strong shoulder. **See illustration 2.**
2. Adjustments to ride height are accomplished at the Fastex buckle on the shoulder strap, found near the holster. **See illustration 3.** You may need to remove the system to adjust the ride height of the holster. Many users find it easier to have another person adjust the shoulder system for them while they remain stationary.

3. Grasp the torso strap and wrap it around your body, from weak to strong side. Be sure the strap is not twisted or tangled. Connect the Fastex buckle at the front of your body. **See illustration 4.** Adjustments may be made once the torso strap is attached. As the torso strap is tightened, the weight is shifted off the shoulder strap, allowing for a full day of comfortable field carry.

SHOULDER HOLSTER FIT (continued)

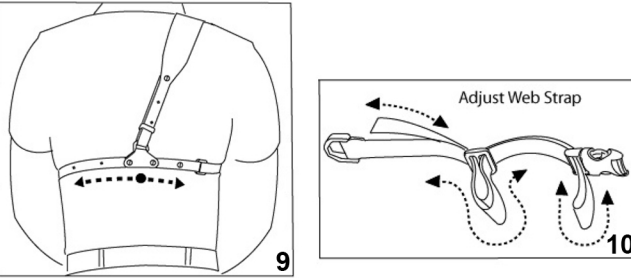
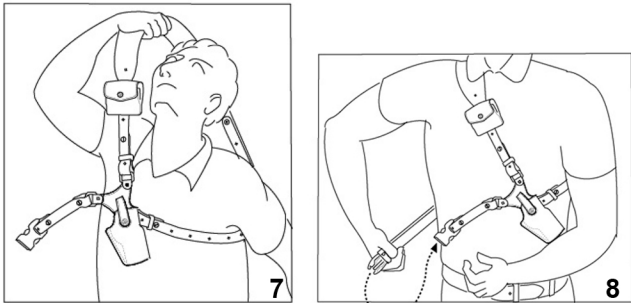


1. The **Great Alaskan Shoulder Holster** can be worn two ways: Cross-shoulder Carry positions the shoulder strap diagonally across the chest, over the strong side shoulder. **See illustration 5.** Vertical Shoulder Carry positions the shoulder strap over the support side shoulder, orienting the handgun's muzzle more toward the ground. **See illustration 6.**

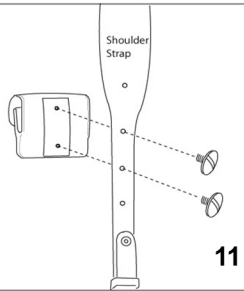


2. Once adjusted, donning the Great Alaskan is very easy. Place the shoulder strap in either the cross-shoulder or vertical carry positions **See illustration 7.** Wrap the torso strap around the abdomen, connecting the buckle to secure the strap. **See illustration 8.**

3. The connection point of the shoulder strap to the torso strap is fully adjustable. Users may elect to move it left or right depending on how the shoulder strap is positioned. **See illustration 9 and 10.**



OPTIONAL AMMO CARRIERS

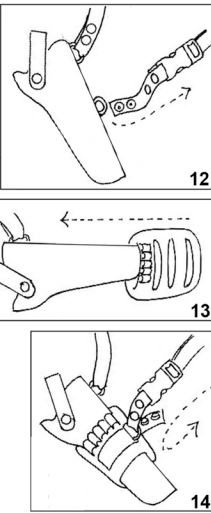


The optional **Great Alaskan Ammo Carrier** is sold separately. It quickly attaches to the holster system with two screws that go through the harness's adjustment holes. **See illustration 11.**

The optional **Kodiak Holster Bandolier** may be purchased separately, and will not work for Kodiak Hunter or the Great Alaskan. The Bandolier is caliber-specific and holds five or six cartridges. It slides on and off the holster easily. To attach the Bandolier to the Kodiak holster:

OPTIONAL AMMO CARRIERS

1. Unsnap the shoulder strap at the brass holster connection ring. **See illustration 12.**
2. Starting at the bottom of the holster, slide the Bandolier onto the holster, cartridge loops first and on the side of the holster opposite the brass ring. Slide the Bandolier onto the holster until the brass ring protrudes from the Bandolier's second opening. **See illustration 13.**
3. Reattach the shoulder strap to the holster's brass ring and secure the snaps. **See illustration 14.**



NOTICE

CARE, MAINTENANCE AND STORAGE

Dirt and grit trapped in your holster may harm your firearm's finish. To clean your holster, especially after use in dusty conditions, simply wipe out the interior of the holster using a clean, damp cloth.

REPAIRS

Galco uses only the highest quality materials. However, there maybe occasions when a repair is necessary. If you have an unaltered Galco product that needs repair, simply contact our Customer Service department at 800-874-2526 or customerservice@galcogunleather.com. We will issue you a Return Authorization (RA) number to print on the outside of your shipping container and provide you with detailed shipping instructions. We will make every effort to complete the necessary repair quickly and return your item to you promptly. If there is a charge for your repair, we will notify you before the work is performed.

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