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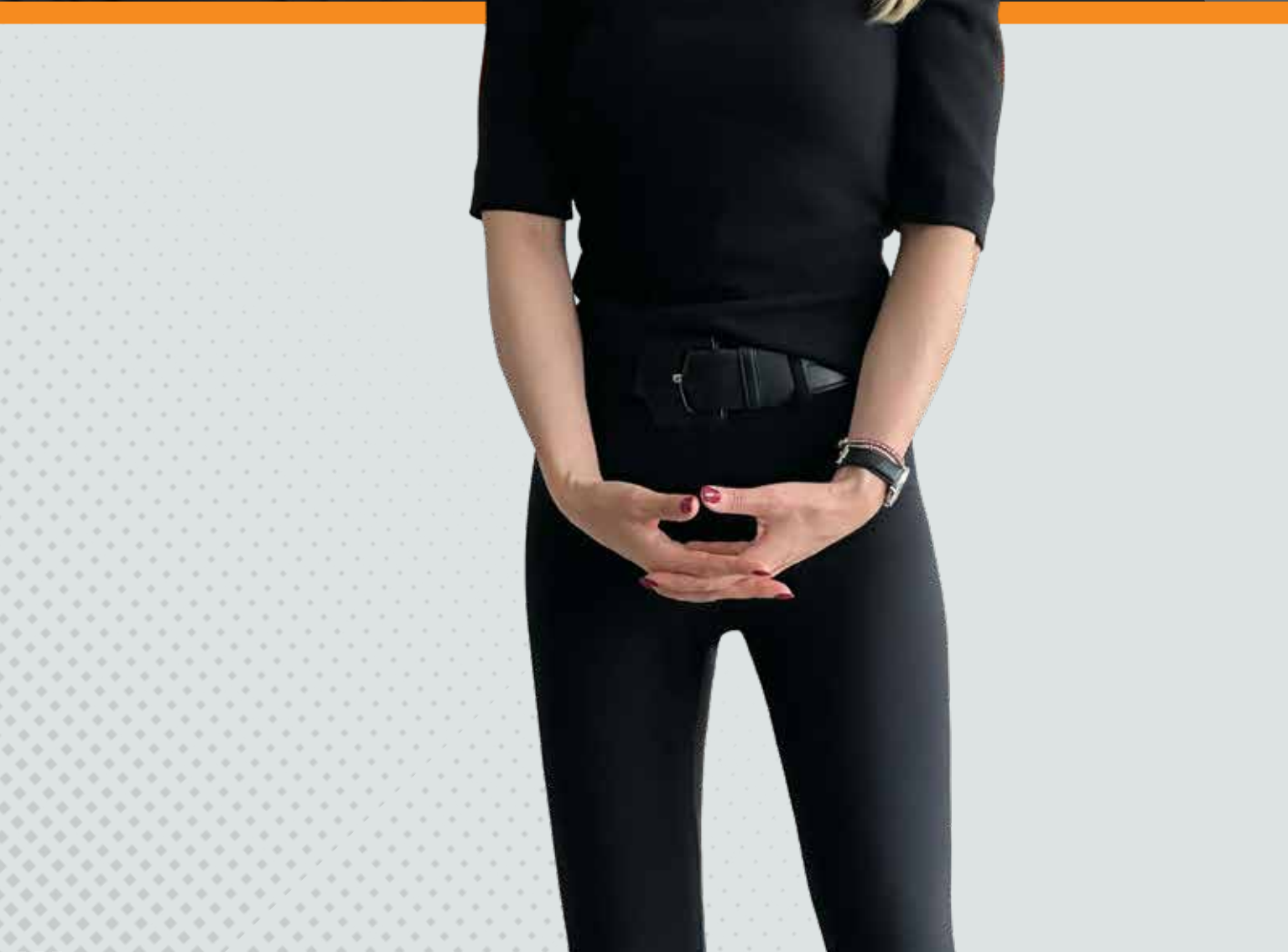
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Founder | Inventor

### **Make it simple, make it perfect.**

Behind the internationally renowned GLOCK Perfection stands the founder and inventor, Gaston Glock. To this day, uncompromising quality and maximum customer satisfaction are our top priorities. Market changes and challenges are faced through the lens of opportunity. Gaston Glock taught to take a critical view of today in order to be perfectly prepared for tomorrow.

The principles of Gaston Glock, the visionary mastermind of GLOCK, continue to inspire customers and employees around the globe. As one of the few privately run and independent businesses in our market, GLOCK lives by the values of its charismatic founder: striving for GLOCK Perfection and unconditionally determined to reach unique achievements through commitment, and passion. Thus, Gaston Glock has set the course for future success.

These founding principles ensure GLOCK Perfection.



# PERFECTION CONTINUES

Annual Message to our customers, our partners, and our employees

As I write to you today, I am filled with a great sense of humility and responsibility. Since the beginning, Gaston Glock set the course for our success with the guiding principles of Perfection. GLOCK® has and always will stand for uncompromising quality. The lifework of our founder and my husband, Gaston Glock, will continue in his spirit.

Guided by these principles, Perfection Continues with the expansion of our product offerings and the growth of our community engagement programs. GLOCK Training provides education to law enforcement and other firearms professionals on an international scale. The GLOCK Sport Shooting Foundation® is growing the community of sport shooting. GLOCK promotes firearm safety initiatives worldwide, like Follow the Four®.

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You – our customers, partners, and employees - are the heart of GLOCK. You are the reason that Perfection will always be our standard. People first, Perfection always!

Sincerely,

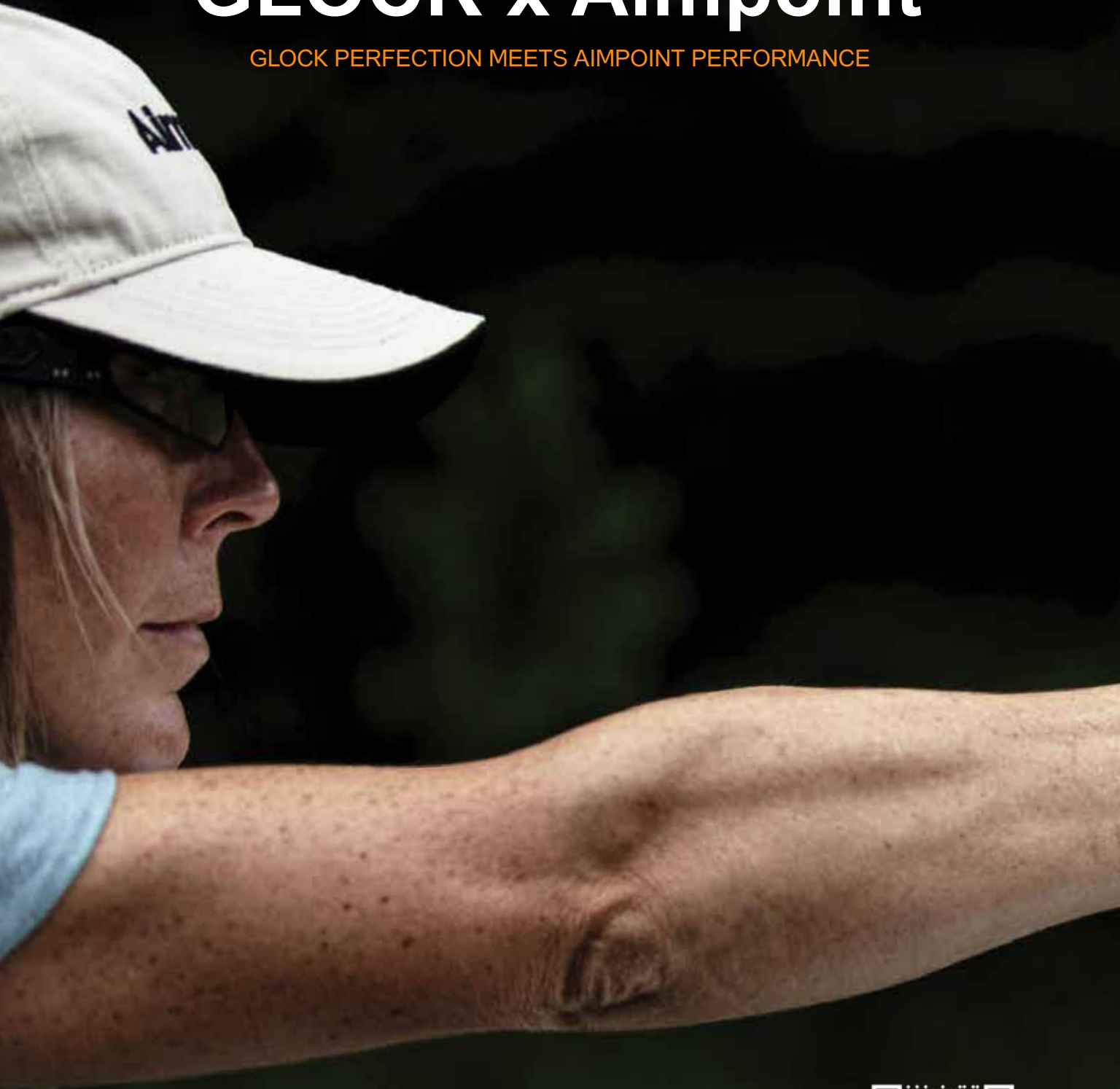
A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathrin Glock". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending from the end of the name.

**Kathrin Glock**  
Chairwoman



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The Aimpoint A-Cut™ interface allows for the sight to be mounted deeper into the pistol slide for extreme stability and durability.

The Aimpoint COA™ optic comes factory installed on select GLOCK pistols. The sight features 3D orientation for fast, accurate target acquisition.



# GLOCK PERFECTION® *meets* AIMPOINT PERFORMANCE

The leading global manufacturer of pistols and the pioneer of red dot sights delivers an exclusive package: the GLOCK pistol with Aimpoint COA Combo. The exclusive package features select GLOCK pistols with Aimpoint A-Cut interface and the ultra-compact Aimpoint COA™ optic installed. The direct mounting enables a deep setting for extreme stability and durability.



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GLOCK PERFECTION MEETS AIMPOINT PERFORMANCE

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The leading global manufacturer of pistols and the pioneer of red dot sights delivers an exclusive package: the GLOCK Pistol with Aimpoint® COA™ Combo. The package features select GLOCK pistols with A-Cut™ interface and the ultra-compact Aimpoint COA optic installed. The direct mounting enables a deep setting for extreme stability and durability. Before you ask, COA is not an acronym, but it is a unique new ultra compact closed emitter sight, paired with the A-Cut, an exclusive patent pending optic mounting system.

The first thing I noticed in shooting the G48 pistol with Aimpoint COA Optic is that it is fast on target. The frame around the optic's large window is thin and unobtrusive, allowing for a clear, unobstructed view of the target. This is particularly important as one of the biggest advantages of red dot optics is that the shooter focusses on the target, not the sight. Second is that the low mount, afforded by the A-Cut, made finding the dot very intuitive and fast.

Pistol mounted optics have become increasingly popular over the past several years. Many law enforcement agencies and shooters have embraced optics, and more are trying them every day. Battery life and reliability have improved dramatically making pistol optics suitable for duty and self-defense applications. With battery life and reliability addressed, the equipment challenge for red dots is to provide the lowest possible mounting system along with a large, durable unincumbered window.

Collaboration between these industry leaders has resulted in the state-of-the-art Aimpoint COA optic paired with an advanced design A-Cut low mount system factory installed on GLOCK's most popular 9x19mm pistol models. The design of the Aimpoint COA optic is compact and sleek for concealed carry. Battery life is ~5 years of "constant on" use. Dot intensity is controlled by tactile and intuitive buttons with four night-vision and eight daylight brightness options. Front and rear lenses are hardened and fully coated. Windage and elevation are click adjustable. Endurance testing meets the same rigorous 40,000 round standard as all GLOCK pistols.

The COA red dot sight comes factory installed on select GLOCK pistols. The sight features 3D orientation for fast, accurate target acquisition. Its innovative, low-profile design makes for easier unholstering, enhancing usability and concealment capabilities. The A-Cut interface allows for the sight to be mounted deeper into the pistol slide for extreme stability and durability – ensuring long-lasting, rugged performance in any condition. The mounting cut is unique and allows the optic to sit as low into the slide of the pistol as possible. This allows for use of standard height sights. The design uses a wedge system to lock the optic in place that also incorporates the rear sight.



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Aimpoint is the inventor of the red dot sight and has been a leader in optics since the mid 1970's. The ACRO P-1™ was the first fully enclosed emitter red dot design. The P-1 was followed by the improved ACRO P-2™. The COA optic builds on this tradition by providing the same size window with a smaller, less obtrusive border and a narrower and more compact sight. The enclosed emitter design offers superior protection against environmental elements. The enclosed design prevents debris, such as lint, water, snow, or any other foreign object from blocking the emitter. This feature, along with exceptional clarity and a wide field of view, explain why Aimpoint enclosed emitter optics are extremely popular with police, military, and civilian users.

Interest in pistol optics for the concealed carry market continues to grow. Aimpoint designed the COA optic so that it fits perfectly on the Slimline G43X and G48 models. The COA sight works equally well on standard size GLOCK pistols to include the G19, G47, and G45 models. GLOCK offers these 5 models as direct cut pistol optic packages with the Aimpoint COA optic and A-Cut interface.

#### **Shooting the GLOCK Pistol with Aimpoint COA Combo:**

I shot the G48 pistol with Aimpoint COA optic at GLOCK Professional in Smyrna, GA. I shot approximately 1000 rounds over 2 days. I drilled on presenting the pistol from a concealed holster, shooting on the move, shooting multiple targets, and shooting from various positions including kneeling and prone. The range session was a great way to put the G48 pistol with Aimpoint COA optic through a practical test.

My overall impressions of the GLOCK x Aimpoint combo are extremely positive. The G48 pistol with Aimpoint COA optic functioned flawlessly through the 1000 round training session. Because the COA optic and the A-Cut interface allow for the lowest mounting of an optic on a GLOCK pistol, finding the dot was fast and easy. Zeroing the Aimpoint COA optic was easily accomplished, and I appreciated the tactile and audible clicks when adjusting the sight. The dot brightness was easy to adjust, and the layout of the adjustment buttons was convenient. Although I didn't have to change the battery, the battery was easily removed and replaced with the supplied tool.

The combined features of the GLOCK pistol with Aimpoint COA optic make for a user friendly and easy to use system suitable for police and military duty use as well as off duty and concealed carry.



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# WHY OPTICS?

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**P**istol red dot optics are a popular choice for the modern shooter and are typically effective at distances of around 100 yards or less. These sights are designed with a red dot reticle, which simplifies the aiming process, making them particularly user-friendly for beginners. The technology behind red dot sights involves a red LED and a tilted spherical mirror that reflects the red light. This design ensures that the red dot remains aligned with the gun regardless of the shooter's eye position and is visible only to the shooter, not from the other side.

Red dot optics can be seamlessly integrated with GLOCK pistols, enhancing their performance and usability. Many modern GLOCK models come with optic configurations, which are specifically designed to accommodate various red dot sights. By adding a red dot sight to a GLOCK pistol, shooters can benefit from faster target acquisition and improved accuracy, particularly in dynamic shooting scenarios.

The history of red dot optics dates back to the 1970s when Aimpoint popularized their use on rifles and handguns. By the 1980s, red dots became common in competitive shooting, with shooters customizing their handguns to accommodate these optics. The introduction of micro or mini red dot sights around 2005 and significant advancements further revolutionized their use, especially in competitive and defensive shooting. Now, GLOCK pistols are commonly seen outfitted with red dot optics.

Like GLOCK pistols, one of the primary advantages of red dot sights is the simplicity they offer. Unlike traditional iron sights, red dot sights only require the user to focus on the target instead of requiring the alignment of the front sight, rear sight, and target. The red dot will be seen by the user on the target if the pistol is properly aligned, eliminating the need for shifting focus between multiple planes. This advantage translates to faster transitions and shooting, making red dot sights particularly beneficial in competitive scenarios where speed is paramount. This combination with the accuracy of the GLOCK Marksman Barrel (GMB) makes for elite performance.

Additionally, red dot sights are advantageous for older shooters who may struggle with iron sights. The red dot allows for easier target alignment and effective hits. This can significantly enhance the shooting experience and accuracy for those with aging eyes, providing a renewed sense of confidence and capability.

In summary, red dot optics offer a blend of simplicity, speed, and precision that makes them an excellent choice for both novice and experienced GLOCK enthusiasts. Their evolution and technological advancements have cemented their place in competitive shooting and practical applications, providing clear advantages in various shooting scenarios.



# THE GLOCK® TACTICAL LIGHT THE GTL II

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Removable lens head for quick battery changes  
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Fits standard frame GLOCK pistols with GLOCK rail. Does not fit Slimline.

The durable, low-profile design of the GTL II makes it the ultimate GLOCK pistol accessory on and off the range.



Includes two interchangeable light control switches for preferred use

GLOCK introduces the GLOCK Tactical Light, the GTL II. This pistol light from GLOCK is precisely machined out of aluminum and is hard anodized with a non-reflective surface. The GTL II's external design closely follows the clean simplicity of the GLOCK pistol.



**GLOCK+**™



# INTRODUCING THE GLOCK® TACTICAL LIGHT: THE GTL II

■ AUTHOR: CHRIS EDWARDS - IMAGES BY: GLOCK

**G**LOCK has designed a new pistol mounted light specifically for GLOCK pistols, designated the GTL II. I had the opportunity to examine the first samples and was very impressed with the GTL II. The light is a superb accessory for standard sized GLOCK pistols with the GLOCK rail system.

My initial impression on handling the GTL II is that it has a sturdy construction. It's made of precisely machined aluminum and is hard anodized with a non-reflective surface. The GTL II light's external design closely follows the GLOCK pistol design, with minimal bulk and weight. External serrations on the body of the light match the current forward serrations on GLOCK pistol slides. This feature assists in the mounting and dismounting of the GTL II. The LED lens head, which can be quickly removed for battery changes from the front, has a mirror polished reflector and a crystal-clear safety glass lens. To attach the light, the locking crossbar is pushed out of the unit, the light body slides onto the GLOCK pistol rail, and the crossbar is pushed back in, firmly securing the light. The control switches at the rear of the light are outside the trigger guard. Their surface texture mimics the Gen5 frame surface finish for positive feedback and manipulation. There are two different

light control switches which can be installed by the operator according to their preference. One control series has the user press to activate, and the other style is pushed forward for light activation. The light has a temporary setting, constant on, and strobe mode depending on how the controls are manipulated.

The light is rated at 600 lumens and ~11,100 candela, which is optimal for a pistol light to be used in close quarters. In the time I had the light, we used it to illuminate targets in a darkened room very well. The emitted light was clear and bright and would be disorienting to an opponent either in steady beam or strobe mode. The alternating of modes was positive and quick; operators with training and practice can seamlessly incorporate the GTL II into their manipulations and shooting. I also checked holster fitment with the GTL II mounted on a standard frame Gen5 GLOCK pistol. The combination of GLOCK pistol and GLOCK light will work in most holsters designed for single cell tactical lights.

The GTL II is made with high-quality standards and tolerances to ensure maximum reliability. The GTL II is a superb addition for those who are looking for a light accessory for their GLOCK pistol.

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GLOCK pistol accessories manufactured by GLOCK.

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## GLOCK® TACTICAL LIGHT II

The new GLOCK Tactical Light (GTL II) specially designed for standard frame GLOCK pistols with a mounting rail. (Does not fit Slimline)



## GLOCK® PERFORMANCE TRIGGER

The GLOCK Performance Trigger meets the criteria for those looking for an enhanced trigger pull and ergonomics. Available in 9x19 mm, .40 S&W, and .22 LR calibers.



## FLARED GLOCK® MAGWELL

The flared GLOCK Magwell allows for faster and more accurate magazine reloads making it a great add-on to your GLOCK pistol. Fits Models: G17 Gen5, G34 Gen5, G45, G47 and G22.



# GLOCK MANUFACTURING: PROCESS TO PERFECTION

■ AUTHOR: CHRIS EDWARDS - IMAGES BY: GLOCK

**A** central and critical element of GLOCK's success is how the pistols are manufactured. When inventor and founder, Gaston Glock, first began operations in America, parts were manufactured in Austria, shipped to Smyrna, GA and then assembled. As demand grew exponentially over the years, manufacturing began to expand to include operations in the United States. This was done methodically and always with a commitment to the quality of the final product - quality also central to the success of GLOCK pistols worldwide. Mr. Glock directed to always look for the "best way" to create his designs. To maintain that standard, GLOCK manufacturing processes are rigorously and continually reviewed.

GLOCK Inc. took that direction very seriously when plans to expand manufacturing in the U.S. came underway. To find out more about the recent manufacturing expansion in the United States, I took a tour of GLOCK's latest manufacturing center located in Smyrna, GA. Located at the original US headquarters, we had the opportunity to speak with some of the individuals who have been directly involved with this particular expansion from design to construction. The planners first began at the ground level. It was determined that a former warehouse could be modified and built to meet GLOCK's strict manufacturing requirements. Construction took months to complete, and the result is a state-of-the-art manufacturing center.

I spoke with the Director of Manufacturing at GLOCK, Inc., and he outlined the thinking and principles that went into the plan. "What drives us here in manufacturing is quality," he

said. Tolerances in primary parts are measured with tolerances held to microns; the exact same, strict tolerances required in the Austrian facilities. The quality assurance system is multi-faceted and detailed. Samples are collected from each manufacturing step and sent via a pneumatic transport system to an inspection section located in the center. There, the samples can be efficiently and thoroughly checked and strict tolerances confirmed. The advantages of this innovative system are many. It provides super efficiency, in that the test samples are quickly examined, because the quality assurance personnel are in the center itself, cutting down on transit time and multiple processes can be checked from a central location.

The latest CNC machines are installed at GLOCK manufacturing centers, which allow for the highest level of production efficiency and control. Some stations can perform three processes within the same machine, which helps production rate and maintains efficiency. The center was also designed with protection of the environment foremost in mind. There are systems in place which trap vapors and liquids for recycling and safety throughout the site. Excess materials are sent for recycling or reuse elsewhere to reduce impact on the environment.

This expansion of manufacturing in the U.S. is one that highlights GLOCK's commitment to perfection. The strict guidelines, tolerances, and processes that are adhered to in every GLOCK manufacturing facility across the globe reinforce GLOCK's unwavering commitment to quality. As GLOCK's manufacturing capabilities expand, Perfection Continues!



GLOCK, Inc. in Smyrna, GA, USA



Strict guidelines, tolerances, and processes in every GLOCK facility ensure maximum quality.



# WHY THE GLOCK® 19 PISTOL HAS NO LIMIT

**FROM FIRST TIME OWNER TO SEASONED PROFESSIONAL**

■ **AUTHOR: RYAN DOMKE - IMAGES BY: RYAN DOMKE**

**T**he firearms industry is thriving, with new pistols, calibers, and shooters seemingly entering the market daily. The GLOCK 19 pistol continues to be one of the most popular for new and veteran shooters, year after year. Why is that? The answer is simple, literally. The G19 pistol's simplistic yet highly reliable and versatile design makes it easy to learn on, and it also grows with the shooter as their skills and requirements grow.

By slightly reducing Gaston Glock's famous GLOCK 17 pistol's overall length and height while retaining an impressive capacity of 15+1, the G19 pistol instantly appeals to an even broader demographic as it can be more easily concealed. Even with the size reduction, it remains a more-than-capable duty and competition pistol.

Many years ago, after embarking on my journey into gun ownership, I quickly found myself taking a strong interest in advancing my shooting performance. My search began for an "all-purpose" handgun that was affordable and that I wouldn't outgrow.

As many of us do with potential new purchases, I performed hours upon hours of web searches for what my next handgun should be. One that could cover all my bases - home defense, concealed carry, and potentially competitions. Combining my findings with recommendations from fellow shooters, I landed on the G19 pistol.

I wanted one more stamp of approval to solidify my decision. The approval I wanted was from my best friend. His opinion on the matter held the most weight outside of my own, not for the fact he was my best friend, but because he is a career law enforcement officer, military veteran, firearms instructor, and, to put it plainly, the best pistol shooter that I personally know. Of course, he was quickly in agreement and even went on to say that the G19 pistol would be his number one choice if he had to pick only one.

To further explain why so many, including myself, recommend the G19 so frequently, I'll start by going back to the basics. The G19 pistol, like all GLOCK pistols, is inherently safe. The combination of its trigger safety, firing pin safety, and drop safety, all working independently, keeps any shooter extremely well-protected. Especially when you're a new shooter, safety and ease of use are critical.

While safety is essential across all skill levels, reliability and durability are what attract the more seasoned shooters. Having the certainty that when you pull the trigger, the pistol will go "bang" is non-negotiable if you're going to place it in any sort of duty role, whether it be for law enforcement, home protection, or concealed carry. Furthermore, thanks to the latest nDLC finish, you don't have to take it easy with your pistol while training or using it in service.

With all of the essentials easily covered out of the box, the icing on the cake is the parts compatibility support, including GLOCK magazine compatibility. GLOCK also arguably has the largest amount of accessory support of any platform. You can truly customize your G19 pistol to include any accessories that fit your needs. From optics, to lights, to magazines, and more, there is no limit to what you can do with your G19 pistol.

Working in the firearms industry has allowed me to test and evaluate more handguns, rifles, and shotguns than I can even begin to keep track of. So, while I'm your average civilian, I've sent an overwhelming number of rounds downrange. If you were to ask me, like I asked so many others years ago, what the best "all-purpose" handgun is, my answer would be the G19 pistol. Don't blindly take my recommendation, though. Instead, look at the long list of others, such as the FBI, most law enforcement agencies, and millions of individuals around the globe that depend on and trust the GLOCK 19 pistol every day!





The G17L Gen5 MOS is the next iteration in the G17L line of pistols.

# THE GLOCK® 17L GEN5® MOS PISTOL THE "LONG GLOCK"

■ AUTHOR: CHRIS EDWARDS - IMAGES BY: GLOCK

**S**eldom seen, the G17L traces its lineage back to the first days of GLOCK in America. Mr. Glock's first pistol, the G17 (Gen1) was seeing sales success in the late 1980s as both law enforcement and qualified citizens recognized the GLOCK pistol's reliability, simplicity, safety and efficiency.

At this point in time, a longer barrel and slide yielded an increased sight radius which could allow the experienced shooter to achieve more precision. Thus, the G17L (for "long") model was designed with a 6-inch barrel and subsequently longer sight radius. Early editions featured an adjustable rear sight of polymer construction, a "minus" connector for a lighter trigger pull, and underneath a slide cutout, a slotted barrel designed to provide some gas redirection for decreased recoil feedback.

The G17L pistol was notably successful over time as a competition pistol. Armando Valdes, a Miami, FL police officer, won the Stock Gun category at the 1990 IPSC World Championship. Dave Sevigny, another GLOCK pistol champion, preferred the G17L pistol for Steel Challenge matches. The GLOCK Sport Shooting Foundation® recognizes the G17L model in the competition division.

Comes now the pedigreed G17L Gen5 MOS, with the capability of mounting a pistol red dot sight, a popular choice among modern enthusiasts. With a GLOCK Marksman Barrel (GMB) and the other Gen5 design enhancements, such as the nDLC finish, ambidextrous slide stop lever, and reversible magazine catch, this latest G17L pistol promises to exceed the excellence of the original. A mil-spec frame rail for accessories makes this pistol ready for anything. The G17L Gen5 MOS pistol also introduces a new design of slide. The recoil spring guide ring at the front of the slide is a hybrid design of polymer. The added barrel and slide length will provide additional velocity and the unique balance world champions appreciated. Testing over a chronograph shows an increase of 80-100 feet per second over a standard barrel. Accuracy is remarkable with groups just over two inches at 25 yards. This is admittedly subjective, but the forward balance of the longer slides seems to help stabilize for accurate hits for this shooter.

The G17L Gen5 MOS is the next step in the G17L line of pistols. With its modern enhancements and versatile features, the G17L Gen5 MOS is another testament to GLOCK's commitment excellence. Whether for competition or just fun on the range, this pistol is poised to meet the demands of firearm enthusiasts everywhere.

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# GLOCK SUPPORTS GEORGIA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

## BEST WARRIOR COMPETITION

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**G**LOCK's longstanding reputation for quality and innovation in the firearms industry and their involvement in community programs hits close to home when their headquarters is right down the street from the Georgia Army National Guard headquarters. Beyond their contributions to law enforcement and civilian firearm markets, GLOCK has also been a dedicated supporter of their local community in their own hometown, Atlanta, GA.

One of GLOCK's most notable contributions in the last year has been their support for the Georgia Army National Guard. Recognizing the importance of the Guard's role in both state and national security, GLOCK has partnered within the local community to provide resources and support that enhance the training and morale of its citizens, many of whom also serve in the Georgia Army National Guard. This collaboration underscores GLOCK's commitment to those who serve, showcasing their appreciation for the sacrifices and dedication of the Guard members. A highlight of GLOCK's support for the



Best Warrior Competition participants are recognized by GAANG state leadership.







Georgia Army National Guard this year was their sponsorship of the Best Warrior Competition.

This annual event is a rigorous contest that tests the physical and mental fortitude of soldiers and non-commissioned officers through a series of challenging exercises, including marksmanship, physical fitness, and tactical operations. GLOCK's sponsorship demonstrated their commitment to fostering a spirit of camaraderie and excellence among the troops. Excellence that these citizen-soldiers take back into the community and continue the cycle of service, embodying the National Guard's mantra of 'Always Ready, Always There'.



Best Warrior competitors experience rigorous series of exercises.

Beyond their direct support for the Georgia Army National Guard, GLOCK has also engaged in various other community initiatives throughout Atlanta. They have sponsored local events, contributed to charitable organizations, and supported educational programs aimed at promoting firearm safety and responsible gun ownership. This holistic approach to community involvement highlights their dedication to being more than just a business entity in the Atlanta area; they are committed to being an active, positive force within the community.

GLOCK's contributions over the past year reflect their deep-rooted commitment to supporting the local community and the Georgia Army National Guard. Through their sponsorship and active participation in community events, GLOCK continues to make a meaningful impact in Atlanta, reinforcing their role as a responsible corporate citizen.

**"GLOCK'S SPONSORSHIP  
DEMONSTRATED THEIR  
COMMITMENT TO FOSTERING A  
SPIRIT OF CAMARADERIE AND  
EXCELLENCE AMONG THE TROOPS."**



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# GLOCK®: WOMEN'S PISTOL OF CHOICE

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Over the years, the brand I have heard about most when training women in the industry has been GLOCK. As an NRA and USCCA Certified Firearms Instructor and a member of Shoot Like A Girl Pro Staff, I often hear women talking about a variety of GLOCK pistols and referring to themselves as “GLOCK girls.” Women typically know the brand name GLOCK before ever shooting a GLOCK pistol.

Years ago, I remember visiting a range for the first time and renting a firearm. There were several firearms available to rent and I selected the GLOCK 26, a sub-compact pistol. I chose that particular firearm because the model was highly recommended by the range staff. I knew the brand name, and I remember it fitting my hand comfortably. It didn't feel heavy, the compact size was appealing, and I appreciated the 10-round magazine capacity. I could also easily rack the slide, which had been difficult for me with some other firearms. My very first shot hit the center of the target, and I was hooked.


After joining The Armed Women of America years later, I noticed the majority of women in the chapter owned the GLOCK 43 pistol, a Slimline model, and I was given the opportunity to try it. Again, the comfortability and GLOCK brand name recognition made me instantly familiar with the firearm. I tried it, and once again, I consistently hit the target.

Five years ago, I was encouraged to try the GLOCK 17 and GLOCK 19 models. Again, both were a dream to shoot. The added ability for customization options with the Gen4 and Gen5 models, particularly with grip size adjustments, gives women the ability to find the best fit for a variety of hand sizes, enhancing shot accuracy.

Over the years, many of my students have brought GLOCK pistols to class. Still today, when I ask students why GLOCK is their firearm of choice, there appears to be a common theme, especially among women. I repeatedly hear that they choose GLOCK pistols for their durability, reliability, consistent trigger pull, and ease of disassembly and reassembly processes. Firearm fit is very important to women because of the smaller size of some women's hands. That makes comfort and the ability to easily reach all of the necessary parts of the pistol important requirements when selecting and purchasing a firearm.

Most women's firearm selection is typically based on their “why,” as it should be! One of the first questions I ask when a new student attends a firearm safety and fundamentals class is what their intended purpose is for owning a firearm.





Most are seeking information about safe handling and secure storage of a firearm. Women want to become responsibly armed protectors, and they want a firearm that they can trust to protect themselves and their loved ones. They are also interested in purchasing a firearm that is well-known for its reliability, dependability, and comfortable firearm fit. They want to be able to effectively rack the slide and load the magazine with ease. That is why they often choose GLOCK pistols.

Many women have selected the GLOCK pistol for a variety of reasons, namely concealed carry, home defense, and competitive shooting purposes.

GLOCK checks all the boxes for women when it comes to desired caliber, frame size, and reliability. Women feel confident when choosing the brand they know and trust, whether for concealed carry purposes, home defense, or competition shooting. There is a GLOCK pistol that fits any intended purpose. With the many options and configurations provided by GLOCK, finding the ideal fit is achievable.

Regardless of an individual's pistol of choice, ensuring that they are always following the rules of firearm safety when operating and handling firearms is of the utmost importance and helps to build the confidence needed to become a responsibly armed firearm owner. Learning and utilizing the firearm safety rules helps keep everyone safe. Committing to the following rules is the first step to being safe when handling a firearm:

- 1. TREAT ALL FIREARMS AS IF THEY ARE LOADED.**
- 2. NEVER POINT THE MUZZLE AT ANYTHING YOU ARE NOT WILLING TO DESTROY.**
- 3. KEEP YOUR FINGER OFF THE TRIGGER UNTIL YOUR SIGHTS ARE ALIGNED ON THE TARGET AND YOU ARE READY TO FIRE.**
- 4. ALWAYS BE SURE OF YOUR TARGET AND WHAT'S BEYOND IT.**

More women enter the firearms world each day, bringing with them their own unique perspectives and needs. With so many GLOCK pistol model options, these women are bound to find the one that meets their expectations and serves their intended purposes. With continued training and the right GLOCK pistol, women are able to achieve their goals and build the confidence needed to be both safe and secure.





GLOCK pistols undergo rigorous testing

# WHY CHOOSE GLOCK® PISTOLS FOR YOUR CONCEALED CARRY

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**L**ife is full of surprises, both good and bad. When it comes to putting your trust in a self-defense firearm, there is a reason why people choose GLOCK.

GLOCK handguns have, what I call, a “reliability factor” that is unmatched. Sure, you also want a pistol that is compact, lightweight, accurate and affordable, as GLOCK pistols are. But reliability is the most important factor when selecting a firearm for self-defense. GLOCK has managed to encapsulate all these qualities into every single firearm they produce. From the original GLOCK 17 pistol to the much smaller GLOCK 43 Slimline model, consistency and reliability are one in the same.

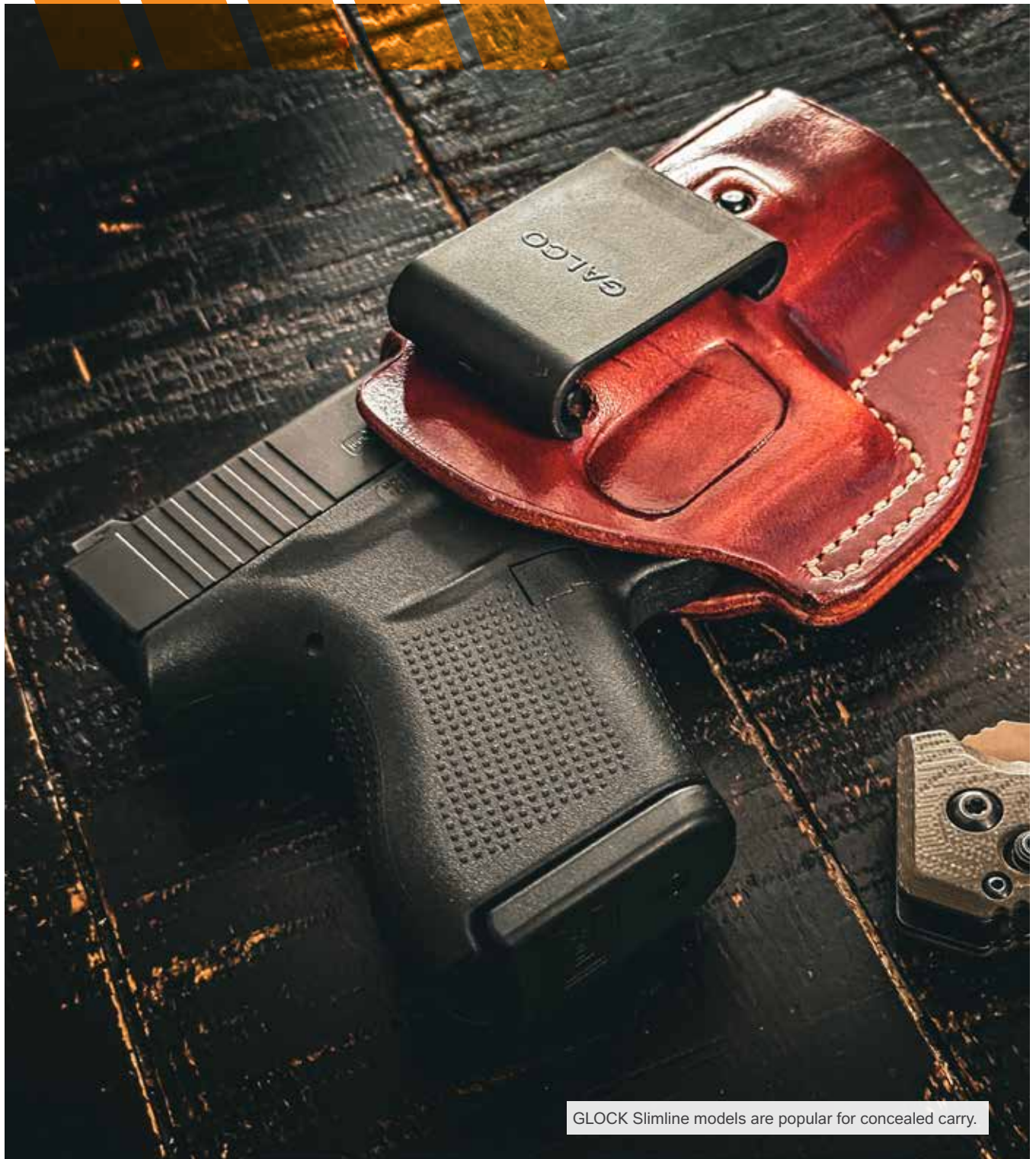
Gaston Glock created a simple design with fewer parts than most other handguns. This means there's less that can go wrong when it matters most. GLOCK pistols have been used under extreme conditions by law enforcement and the military. They have also been put through a multitude of tests, which include being dropped, submerged, frozen, and even buried. All this and they keep firing.

## WHAT MODELS ARE BEST FOR CONCEALED CARRY?

GLOCK offers a variety of models so you can find the perfect size for you. One of my favorites is the GLOCK 43 pistol chambered in 9x19. My second favorite model is the GLOCK 48 which is a single-stack version of the famous GLOCK 19 pistol. The GLOCK 48 pistol provides the same slide, barrel, and grip length of a G19 but is just as thin as the G43 pistol. If you want something in .380 AUTO, the GLOCK 42 pistol is an excellent choice and the most compact GLOCK pistol available.

When carrying concealed, I prefer appendix carry with my G43 pistol. This is a comfortable way to carry while keeping the firearm within easy reach. Others may prefer carrying on their hip, small of back, etc.

When selecting a model to carry concealed, think about any accessories you may want to attach to your GLOCK pistol like a light or optic. GLOCK pistols with the MOS (Modular Optic System) designation have a removeable adapter plate for mounting your favorite optic. Models with picatinny rails allow for a weapon light as well.



GLOCK Slimline models are popular for concealed carry.

### **DON'T LEAVE ANYTHING UP TO CHANCE**

The stakes are high, and the responsibility is immense. When you choose a GLOCK pistol, you're opting for a firearm that offers unparalleled reliability, ease of maintenance, ergonomic design, and proven performance. In unpredictable moments when your safety is on the line, having a GLOCK pistol by your side provides peace of mind and confidence that your firearm will perform when it matters most. Don't leave anything up to chance when it comes to your safety. Choose GLOCK and be prepared for whatever life throws your way.

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# PRICELESS GLOCK® PISTOL FOUND IN THE BACKWOODS

■ AUTHOR: CAITLIN WOOD - IMAGES BY: GLOCK

**P**aul Novak was with his son and grandson in the backwoods near Payson, AZ, when he realized the GLOCK pistol, gifted to him by his late brother-in-law, was no longer on his hip. The first thought in Paul's head was, "how is this possible?"

Paul Novak is a family man and was raised in the outdoors. He's been serving his community as a firefighter with Phoenix Fire Department for 27 years. He spends much of his spare time in the outdoors supporting wildlife conservation efforts by way of hunting. It's easy to figure out that Paul is a high caliber man by the way he cares for his community and his family, and how his children have followed in his footsteps. Paul's son and daughter both are also avid hunters, and both have chosen a career as firefighters. Paul's life seems to be full of adventure in the back woods and service to his community. Paul has now passed these values of family, love for the outdoors, and care for the community to the next generation.

Several years ago, on December 4th, 2021, Paul was in the woods searching for elk with his son and grandson with his G27 pistol secured in a holster on his belt. This particular pistol was gifted to Paul shortly before his brother-in-law passed away from cancer, making it truly priceless. That day, Paul's son was able to make a successful harvest, so then the work began of packing everything out. Paul's son accidentally tore a strap on his backpack, so Paul took that pack, along with his

own, and more so that his son could maximize the load he had on his back. They made it out to the truck, and that is when Paul realized that his pistol and holster were no longer on his waist. He looked back through photos and confirmed that he had it before they packed out, so that began multiple tracks back and fourth searching for the pistol. Paul was using an app to track their path, so they set out using a grid-search method to retrace their steps and make a thorough search. After looking all over with no luck, Paul and his son resigned to come back and try again.

So there they were the next day, trying again to find the lost G27 pistol that held so much sentimental value. They left with nothing but a defeated feeling after still not finding it. Paul returned year after year to search for the pistol. Harsh, snowy winters and monsoon rains came and went for almost 3 years.

On September 30th, 2024, Paul picked up his brother and together they made another attempt to find the pistol. They hiked, yet again, to the place where Paul knew he last had his gun, but something was different this time. Paul and his brother saw a fresh Elk rub on a tree nearby, so of course they had to go check it out. He didn't know it yet, but this small deviation would pay off about 10 steps later – big time.

I asked Paul if he was in pure disbelief when he saw the pistol, and he said, "When I saw it, I kind of thought it was a piece



The G27 pistol as it laid when Paul found it after three years.





of trash.” He continued, saying he stared for a few seconds thinking, “You’re kidding me... I really found it?” Sure enough, almost three years later, Paul had found the G27 pistol that meant so much to him. It turns out that when Paul took the torn backpack from his son while they were packing out, it ended up sitting so heavy in a way that cracked the holster, causing it to fall off his belt.

The story does not end there. Paul returned home with his G27 pistol that had been exposed to dirt, wind, rain, snow, and ice for nearly three years. He removed it from the holster to assess the damage. Pleasantly surprised, he made sure the weapon was clear, disassembled the pistol, and got to cleaning. “After a little oil and some cleaning, it looks great and is very functional!” said Paul. After all of that exposure, Paul’s priceless G27 pistol is still in great, functioning condition.

It’s moments like this where GLOCK’s commitment to producing rugged, reliable, and safe pistols shines through. It’s because of this commitment that Paul is able to continue to carry this special GLOCK pistol by his side for years to come.



After cleaning and oiling, the G27 pistol was fully functional and in great condition.

# GLOCK® PISTOL OWNER RESPONDS TO EMERGENCY RELIEF EFFORTS

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Chris Purdy and his co-pilot, his father, were on their final approach to Rutherford County Airport in North Carolina when disaster struck. The pair was planned to deliver the first of two supply drops for emergency relief efforts after Hurricane Helene ravaged the Southeastern United States. Those plans would quickly change into a life-or-death scenario for Chris and his father when a large fire suddenly broke out and hot smoke filled the cockpit.

Chris's dream growing up was to own a plane. As a middle-class worker, it took a lot of work and dedication for him to be able to become a pilot and have a plane. His dream was realized when he purchased his 1948 North American Navion, a single engine, four-seater aircraft. Aside from being a pilot in his spare time, Chris is an industrial maintenance worker and a HAM (handheld amateur) radio operator.

Chris and his community in Greenville, South Carolina were fortunate enough not to receive significant or unexpected

damage from the hurricane that barreled through about one week prior. Although the power was still out at his home, Chris had returned to work as usual. However, disaster relief and rescue efforts were underway in the neighboring state of North Carolina and there was no shortage of requests for assistance. In fact, Chris said that his radio was full of traffic almost 24 hours a day. Chris and his sister had already signed up to gather supplies for Operation AirDrop, an organization that mobilizes general aviation assets in the aftermath of disasters. After hearing the constant radio traffic, they decided to take it a step further.

Chris started by coordinating with Operation AirDrop for deliveries, and then put out calls to locals for more supplies, including a doctor who was able to provide lifesaving first aid kits and medication. Chris and his father met at the small, local airport where Chris kept his plane to load up the supplies, and even more people joined them there to load in additional supplies.



Chris didn't go anywhere without his GLOCK 19 Gen4 pistol. It has been by his side every day for years, and this day was no different. As they finished loading the plane, Chris packed in his "go-bag" that held his G19 pistol right behind his seat. So, with his G19 pistol and many emergency supplies in tow, Chris and his father departed towards Statesville, North Carolina. The pair landed after a smooth, uneventful flight and were received by a group of energetic volunteers ready to receive them and their supplies. There were aircraft in and out of the large hangar, while volunteers organized and distributed the incoming and outgoing supplies.

Amidst the hustle, Chris and his father checked in and were asked if they could drop some outgoing supplies on their way home. They gladly agreed, topped off their fuel, loaded up the plane, and they taxied out as usual. The flight went great, and they lined up on their final approach to make the supply drop at Rutherford County Airport.

Chris and his father had about 600 feet left in their descent when they heard a "pop" towards the rear of the plane. They quickly realized something was very wrong when hot smoke filled the cabin of the plane. Chris pushed the nose of the plane down to increase their rate of descent. As they continued down towards the runway, the smoke started to overwhelm Chris and his father. During the final 100 feet, Chris's father cracked the cockpit door open to avoid it becoming stuck open as the flames started to burn their legs and hands. The pair finally managed a hard landing onto the runway that collapsed their front landing gear, grinding the propeller across the pavement. They came to a swift halt and were luckily able to jump out of the burning plane.

Emergency personnel were waiting on the runway to extinguish the fire and provide Chris and his father with immediate medical attention. Once Chris and his father had been assessed, the first responder personnel came back to let Chris know the

possibility of recovering anything from the plane was slim. Chris's one request was to try to recover his G19 pistol, also known as "his baby," as he endearingly called it when speaking to the first responder. The responder chuckled and said that he would do his best. Once the flames were extinguished, it was confirmed that the plane and everything in it were essentially unrecoverable. Miraculously though, Chris's G19 pistol was still intact. The pistol was charred, and the polymer had started to melt, but Chris was still glad to have it as a keepsake. He and his father went to go recover and recount their experience while they waited to find their way home.

**“ VOLUNTEERS WERE THERE RECEIVING THE RELIEF SUPPLIES, AND THEY WERE SO FRIENDLY AND SO CARING TO US. THEY OFFERED US FOOD, WATER, AND A PLACE TO SIT AND RELAX JUST TO TAKE OUR FOCUS OFF THE AIRPLANE INCIDENT. IT WAS LIKE SEEING THE TRUE AMERICA. PEOPLE OF ALL WALKS OF LIFE WERE GATHERED JUST WORKING TOGETHER TO SERVE OTHERS IN NEED. ”**  
– CHRIS PURDY

When GLOCK, Inc. heard about Chris's story, the team was inspired by his selfless service. GLOCK will be replacing his beloved G19 pistol. Although Chris lost a lot that day, he and his father walked away with gratitude for what they still had and for the inspiring role that the volunteers and emergency personnel played in their experience. Chris had one resounding message throughout his story: His inspiration from all the people united in service to others.



Chris's G19 pistol was recovered from the fire that engulfed the plane.

# MULTIPLE ROLES MULTIPLE GLOCK® PISTOLS

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**G**LOCK pistols have evolved tremendously since 1982. Back then, I was a naval aviator and an avid firearms enthusiast and collector, but everyone only had the choice of the GLOCK 17 pistol. In 1998, GLOCK released a “cut down frame” pistol that was more compact in size, the model GLOCK 19. Still popular today, these 2 pistols began what has become a global firearms manufacturer providing pistols for military, law enforcement, shooting sports, law-abiding citizens and outdoorsmen and women!

Today, GLOCK provides many models of pistols in a wide variety of calibers and sizes. That means that, whatever your specific need is, there's a GLOCK pistol for you. In fact, many GLOCK models are adaptable to various uses. For example, many of my friends simply found their GLOCK pistol was adaptable to multiple of the aforementioned uses. I am simply

going to highlight the way I have come to see GLOCK pistols as a spectrum of options. Options that allow GLOCK owners more flexibility, appropriateness and thoughtful use of these pistols.

From the sub-compact GLOCK 42 pistol chambered in .380 AUTO to the GLOCK 40 pistol in 10mm AUTO, with a 6” inch long barrel, and every model in-between, owners of GLOCK pistols may choose from many options of size, barrel length, caliber and weight to fine tune their pistol choices for a wide variety of uses. Examples include what I have come to categorize into three main areas of use. Each one of my various GLOCK pistols fit loosely within these areas. Everyday Carry (EDC), Life Duty, and Outdoors GLOCK pistols. (Note: GLOCK also has many pistols ideal for sport shooting, like through the GLOCK Sport Shooting Foundation, which will not be covered here).





Everyday Carry (EDC): The nationwide swing of law-abiding citizens toward carrying a pistol for self-protection resulted in a wave of pistols that began with GLOCK's own sub-compact sized pistols chambered in .380 AUTO, 9X19, .40 S&W, and .45 AUTO. Specifically, the G48, G43, and G43X Slimline pistols that are easily concealed, utterly reliable and affordable that are carried daily by civilians and popular as back-ups for law enforcement. Of course, there are many GLOCK pistol owners that choose to carry larger pistols above the EDC category, I call Life Duty pistols.

Life Duty: Commonly, compact up through full-sized duty GLOCK pistols. "Life Duty" means whatever duty you are required to accomplish anytime in your life. Also available in 9X19, .40 S&W and .45 AUTO calibers, this group of GLOCK pistols includes the .357 and 10mm AUTO. Life Duty GLOCK pistols are also carried daily as EDC pistols, as well as duty

pistols for law enforcement and the military. Life Duty pistols are often utilized as home defense or "nightstand" pistols, with the intention to protect family and home.

Outdoors GLOCK pistols: Effective indoors as well, "outdoors" pistols are what I think of when I'm out hiking, fishing, or hunting. Especially when a four-legged threat may be an additional concern to the owner. Any caliber can suffice here, but my mind goes to the G29, G20 and the G40 pistols all chambered in 10mm AUTO.

You can still go out and purchase the phenomenal G19 pistol and, simply by varying your ammunition types, be well prepared for most situations. However, if GLOCK is your pistol of choice and you can acquire more than one, think about all the various roles for your GLOCK pistols!





# THE ONLY PISTOL I WILL EVER CARRY

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Jack spending time on the range training with his GLOCK pistol

**T**hirteen years ago, I purchased my first handgun, a GLOCK 21 SF Gen3 pistol. Chambered in .45 AUTO, it served as my sidearm during backcountry hunts throughout Washington state. Amid harsh terrain and unpredictable weather patterns, I trusted my life to my G21 SF pistol. At higher elevations, working from rain, to sleet, to snow I chased grouse with a shotgun slung over my shoulder. During those adventures, I never once doubted should something else appear, my G21 pistol would function reliably and accurately.

I had put in the work, and I had put my G21 pistol through the paces. I belonged to a local indoor range and while working two part-time jobs during graduate school, I purchased as

much ammo as I could afford. At the end of a range session my hands resembled those of a coal miner, but my GLOCK pistol continued to run flawlessly. After easily 2,000 rounds without one single malfunction, I was fully confident. It did receive a full, well-deserved cleaning afterwards.

Like a good guard dog, a pistol to which I can trust my life and the lives of my loved ones holds a special place. Over the past several years, I've worked in marketing in the outdoors and firearms industry. I have been on set for many photography and videography shoots and witnessed which pistols function without a hiccup and which ones ride the bench after approximately 100 rounds. In all my years, I have never seen a gunsmith have to tend to a GLOCK pistol on set.

Two years ago, when I decided to carry every day and obtain my concealed carry handgun license in Kansas, the choice of manufacturer was easy. Still, I shot many different GLOCK pistol models to see what I could shoot well but also conceal. I settled on both a GLOCK 43X Slimline pistol as well as GLOCK 19 Gen5 pistol. Depending on what I am wearing, often based on season and weather, I will carry one or the other.



Between both, along with several other GLOCK pistol models I own, I have shot well over 100,000 rounds. Not one single time have I ever had a stock pistol chambered in 9x19 or .45 AUTO malfunction.

Another major decision to make was in what position to carry my GLOCK pistol. Same as when choosing my trusted pistol, I relied on my own research and testimonies from experts. I settled on appendix carry. I tried several holsters and settled on one that was comfortable for me. When I carry my GLOCK pistol, I trust a 38-year track record that dates back to when the original GLOCK 17 pistol was released and adopted by law enforcement professionals across the United States.

In both my concealed carry guns, I have worked through tens of thousands of rounds via various ammunition with zero issues. Come winter, I will likely work in my GLOCK 47 pistol, which is equipped with a Radian Weapons compensator and a Vortex Defender ST, a red dot which is—for me—the perfect-sized window. I have lost count of the number of rounds I have pumped out of all my GLOCK pistols. Peace of mind builds with every box emptied without interruption. Amid various competitions, precarious weather conditions, I continue to learn there is no ceiling to how much you can trust and respect a GLOCK pistol.



# GLOCK HAS YOUR SIX

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**Y**our home is your sanctuary. It's where you and your family should be able to relax, find peace, and feel safe. While preventative measures such as alarm systems and exterior lighting can deter assailants, they are often bypassed or overlooked. Choosing the right firearm for self-defense is crucial. Reliability, capacity, and the ability to host accessories such as lights and optics are critical when choosing a home defense handgun. The order in which you place your preferences is completely up to you, but the gun should have all three.

Enter GLOCK. Whether you're looking for a capable 9x19, such as the GLOCK 45 pistol, or a full-size powerhouse like the GLOCK 20 10mm AUTO pistol, there is a GLOCK pistol to fill any role, including the role of home defense.

One of my first home defense firearms was a GLOCK 19 Gen4 pistol, which at the time was outfitted with a Streamlight TLR-1 HL weapon light and a 17-round GLOCK magazine. It checked all my boxes and instilled a sense of confidence in my ability to protect my home. I had 18 rounds at my disposal and enough light to blind an attacker in hopes of never having to use the actual weapon. Most importantly, I knew that if I ever needed to pull the trigger, I'd have access to those 18 rounds, thanks to

the pistol's proven reliability through the 2,500+ rounds that I had sent downrange with it.

Fast forward to today; the G19 pistol continues to play a pivotal role in my home defense repertoire, but I've since upgraded to a Gen5 MOS model. I still run a 17-round magazine and a Streamlight weapon light (although now a TLR-7A), but I've added a Holosun SCS-MOS red dot sight to improve my target acquisition speed.

As well-equipped as you'll be with a similar setup, don't be fooled into thinking that simply having a GLOCK pistol in your nightstand safe will protect your home. Training with your chosen handgun is critical and it is never a bad idea to have contingency plans in place.

GLOCK pistols don't have a break-in period, a thumb safety to fumble with when your adrenaline is pumping after being startled awake from a bump in the night, and they don't have unrealistic maintenance requirements. Those are all things I'm happy to say GLOCK pistols lack!

At the end of the day, the "GLOCK reliability" that we have come to expect and love plays a huge factor in my ability to sleep peacefully, and for that, I'm thankful.





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1	Slide	17	Frame
1b	Cover plate MOS	17c/d	Beavertail Backstrap M/L
1c	Cover plate screw	18	Magazine catch spring
2	Barrel	19	Magazine catch
3	Recoil spring assembly	20	Slide lock spring
4	Firing pin	21	Slide lock
5	Spacer sleeve	22	Locking block
6	Firing pin spring	23	Trigger mechanism housing
7	Spring cups	24	Connector
8	Firing pin safety	26	Trigger with trigger bar
9	Firing pin safety spring	27	Slide stop lever
10	Extractor	28	Trigger pin
11	Extractor depressor plunger	29	Trigger housing pin (short)
12	Extractor depressor plunger spring	31	Magazine tube
13	Spring-loaded bearing	32	Follower
14	Slide cover plate	33	Magazine spring
15	Rear sight	34	Magazine insert
16a	Front sight	35	Magazine floor plate
16b	Front sight screw	42	MOS Set

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Safety is a top priority at GLOCK. GLOCK's commitment to safe firearm practices goes even further than the Follow The Four campaign, from local community support to company-wide initiatives. GLOCK's own local community in Cobb County, Georgia houses the "GLOCK House" at the Cobb Safety Village where families are educated on safe firearm practices year-round. On a national level, GLOCK provides educational safety resources to Law Enforcement agencies everywhere and provides gun locks at no cost to agencies for community distribution. GLOCK's company-wide commitment to safety can be seen by each and every law-abiding citizen who purchases a GLOCK pistol, when they open the box and see the gun lock provided with each packaged firearm to promote safe firearm storage. GLOCK Training puts firearm safety education into practice as their firearms instructors across the United States teach safe handling practices in their training courses.



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# GLOCK IQ™ LONESTAR SOCIAL AT NRAAM 2024

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I have attended four NRA Annual Meetings (NRAAM), two in Houston and two in Dallas. I enjoyed the company of my son, grandson, and brother at these meetings. I have been fortunate to have met The Gunny (R. Lee Erme), Sarah Palin, Team GLOCK and many others. I have made new friends there and met several old friends. But, thanks to GLOCK, the NRAAM of 2024 was the most awesome and memorable.

Our first stop (as always) Friday morning was the GLOCK exhibit. There we met up with my friends and GLOCK staff members, Scott Drobnik and Austin Crane. We had a great conversation with Scott and Austin and dropped several dollars at the GLOCK store there and then went to explore the rest of the exhibits.

After walking all over the convention center, we returned to our hotel room to get ready for the GLOCK IQ Lonestar Social. This was a special event only for GIQ members. There were many GLOCK personnel there, as well as Team Glock members Thy Ngo, Callarina Woodard, and Shane Coley, team captain - What great ambassadors for GLOCK. Each one of the GLOCK folks were polite, friendly, and just downright great! I was also able to meet some fellow GIQ members, among whom was Kfryinger (Kevin). The GLOCK IQ Lonestar Social brought together GIQ members from across the country. It served as an opportunity for us to create long-lasting relationships that surpass common interests and the internet.



We had an array of delicious food for dinner including brisket, chicken, a vegetable medley, fresh baked rolls, and more. For dessert, there was a red velvet cake, and the star of the show, the giant oatmeal pies. Those things were awesome and dangerous - to my weight & waistline, that is!

We had a great live band with songs ranging from country to pop to rock-n-roll. We also had line dancing lessons, and some of the braver souls got up and did several dances with the band. GLOCK graciously provided each attending GIQ member a swag bag which included a great GIQ cap and t-shirt.

The highlight of the evening (for me at least) was the drawing of names for a GLOCK Pistol Certificate for two lucky attendees. I was very surprised when I heard my name called as the winner

of the 2nd certificate. It was a wonderful night, and I'm quite certain that every single person attending had a great time. I know I did, and I would have even if I hadn't won the drawing!

Once again, GLOCK came through with a great display of customer service. As far as I know, they are the only company that did something on this order for their customers. This is just a small part of why GLOCK has such loyal customers, and the number of those customers is growing daily.

GLOCK has always been the major highlight of my trips to the NRAAM, and now with such great perks like this GIQ Social, it is even better! GLOCK IQ is more than a platform, it's a community. Thank you, GLOCK, for your GREAT pistols, for your GREAT customer service - for everything!



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I bought my very first handgun when I turned 21, and I would buy and trade a lot of pistols and accessories over the next six years. The older gentleman I did most all of my business with, who happened to be a Korean war veteran, asked me why I traded so much and so often. I explained to him that I just couldn't find what I was looking for in one platform. I explained to him that I wanted something that was absolutely reliable, had a good magazine capacity, could handle almost anything, could be carried all day, could always find parts and accessories for, and that wasn't difficult to maintain.

The gentleman looked at me and he said, "I have something here that more than meets what you're asking for." He handed me a GLOCK 19 Gen4 pistol that I still have to this day. I am now the proud owner of over thirty GLOCK pistols. I sold all of my other handguns, because I just didn't use them anymore. GLOCK is my constant. I love that every model, every size, and every caliber functions the same. I trust GLOCK pistols every single day. GLOCK Perfection is so much more than just a "slogan," it's a way of life. - **Tony L.**

In October 2024, I was in a motorcycle accident during which I fell onto my front side and slid along the pavement. Whenever I ride, I carry my GLOCK 27 pistol in an appendix carry holster. When I fell off of my motorcycle, I landed stomach-down and slid along the pavement with the gun underneath me. Not only did the G27 pistol save my stomach and legs from having substantially more road rash, but it also did not sustain much damage itself. The pistol only sustained road rash to the right rear side of the slide, to the right rear side of the frame/handgrip, and some small damage to rear sight. I am impressed by the "drop-safe" nature of the firearm. While I have always trusted in the safe design of the GLOCK pistols I have and currently carry for work as a Sheriff's Investigator, the real-world experience of this incident has reinforced my trust even more. Most impressively, after a good cleaning and function check, I went and shot my G27 pistol, and it functioned just as well as the day I bought it. Thank you for making such an impressive, reliable, durable, and safe pistol. - **Draper S.**



GLOCK IQ (GIQ) is a digital platform for fans of GLOCK firearms to come together, learn about GLOCK products, competitions and meet like-minded enthusiasts in the community forums to discuss all things firearms related. I joined GLOCK IQ in February of 2023 and have made new friends locally, in other states, and even internationally. Some of the benefits I have enjoyed so far as a member of GLOCK IQ are hanging out with fellow members at GSSF matches, interacting with Team GLOCK members who post on GIQ, and sharing range reports of different ammo.

My favorite benefit of GIQ thus far though came while attending the NRAAM in Dallas, TX in May 2024. GLOCK hosted the Lonestar Social at Gilley's, which was a GIQ exclusive event for members. GLOCK went all out to make this event enjoyable, entering the venue was through a speakeasy style hidden sliding door then on to a whiskey tasting bar before entering the main dance floor room with multiple open bars and a buffet dinner. Throughout the evening, we all listened to the live country cover band and socialized with GLOCK employees and other GIQ members. As the night went on there were GLOCK giveaways (including someone I was sitting next to winning a GLOCK pistol certificate), line dancing, and an all-around fun time had by everyone.

I am already looking at plans to attend the 2025 NRAAM in Atlanta to see what GLOCK might have in store for GIQ members next! - **Kevin F.**

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# THE GLOCK SPORT SHOOTING FOUNDATION® THE GATEWAY SPORT

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**T**he Gateway to Competition Shooting—This was the role that the GLOCK Sport Shooting Foundation played in my life. As a new gun owner in 2017, I made my first mistake. I purchased a firearm without shooting it; I just held it in the store, and I was away. However, my second firearm was a GLOCK 19X pistol. My life changed with the brochure I found in the case. GLOCK's decision to include that brochure in every case is their best marketing tool. Many gun owners are not aware of the competitive shooting world. Some might be curious, and others will not be, but I was and followed my instincts to my first indoor match.

My first match was a dismal embarrassment as a new shooter, but I knew that I wanted to get better. I'm thankful that I had two indoor ranges near my home and managed to practice regularly. Through this, my skills improved, and my curiosity grew. I heard about other matches and began to dabble more in IDPA matches and tried PINS, but I wanted more. I

ventured to my first outdoor GSSF match, which introduced me to a different environment where the openness could be intimidating, but it allowed me to compete in a different setting. While overwhelming, I felt welcomed as though I were among friends.

That welcome feeling has not faltered. That experience led me to travel out of state for other GSSF matches. I was enjoying this newfound hobby, and my competitive instincts intensified. I wanted to improve. After having more GSSF matches under my belt, I had the courage to walk into an indoor USPSA match alone. Once again, I was welcomed. Today, while I shoot fewer GSSF matches, I still make it to at least one per year. I will always treasure my time spent shooting these matches. Now I fill my time with shooting USPSA matches, both local and nationally. GSSF gave me the foundation to grow in this sport, and I can say to anyone sitting on the fence about jumping into competition: Jump in! There is a community out there ready to support and cheer you on! Find more info on [www.gssf.pro](http://www.gssf.pro).



Camille with numerous GSSF awards.





# OUTDOOR MATCH SCHEDULE 2025

\*All matches are subject to change. For the most up-to-date match information, visit [GSSF.pro](http://GSSF.pro)

DATE	MATCH	HOST CLUB	WEBSITE	RANGE ADDRESS
JANUARY 25-26	LVPSG Gamblers Challenge	Las Vegas Practical Shooting Club	brpc1.org	2700 Utah Street Boulder City, NV 89005
FEBRUARY 1-2	GSSF at Tango Down Shooting Complex	Tango Down Shooting Complex	tangodown-sc.com	18811 Maxville-Macclenny Road, Jacksonville, FL 32234
FEBRUARY 8-9	Charleston GLOCK Challenge	Palmetto Gun Club	palmettogunclub.org	761 Summers Drive Ridgeville, SC 29472
FEBRUARY 15-16	Northern Florida Regional Classic	Talon Range	talontraininggroup.com	550 Commerce Blvd Midway, FL 32343
FEBRUARY 22-23	Volusia County GSSF Match	Volusia County Gun & Hunt Club	volusiacountygunclub.com	4846 E. SR 44 New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168
MARCH 1-2	The Ouachita Regional Challenge	Ouachita Parish Sheriff's Public Range	opso.net/public-mage	357 Sheriff Fewell Road West Monroe, LA 71292
MARCH 7-9	River Bend Ballistic Challenge	River Bend Gun Club	rbgc.org	234-240 River Bend Gun Club Rd Dawsonville, GA 30534
MARCH 8-9	GLOCK, Stock and Barrel Challenge	Oak Tree Gun Club	oaktreegunclub.com	23121 Coltrane Avenue Newhall, CA 91321
MARCH 15-16	Northern California GLOCK Challenge	Yolo Sportsmans Association	yolosportsmansassociation.com	24001-25799 Aviation Ave. Davis, CA 95616
MARCH 15-16	Emerald Coast GLOCK Classic	Element Training Center	southern tactical range.com	4418 Cooper Lane Holt, FL
MARCH 22-23	Extreme Tactical GLOCK Shootout	Extreme Tactical Training Sports	texasgunacademy.org	620 Greathouse Rd Waxahachie, TX 75167
MARCH 22-23	NW Indiana Regional GLOCK Shoot	North Porter County Conservation Club	npcccinc.com	927 N Calumet Ave Chesterion, IN 46304
MARCH 29-30	Veritas GLOCK Challenge	Manatee Gun & Archery Club	manateegunclub.com	9903 Old Hyde Park Place Myakka City, FL 34251
MARCH 29-30	Gem State Classic	Nampa Rod & Gun club	nrags.com	7990 Bennet Road Nampa, ID 83686
APRIL 5-6	Delaware State GSSF Challenge	Bridgeville Rifle & Pistol Club	brville-rifle-pistol.org	10409 Rifle Range Road Bridgeville, DE 19933
APRIL 5-6	Sweet Home Alabama GLOCK Challenge	Central Alabama Gun Club	centralalabamagunclub.com	34791 Co. Rd 2 Shorter, AL 36075
APRIL 12-13	Old Dominion Glock Challenge	Brushy Mountain Club	brushymountainclub.com	1813 Izaak Walton Rd Hurt, Virginia
APRIL 26-27	Homestead GLOCK Challenge	Homestead Training Center	shootnrc.com	11700 SW 304Th St Homestead, FL 33033
APRIL 26-27	Annual Glock Challenge at Summit Point	Summit Point Training Facility	summitpointtraining.com	201 Motorsports Park Circle Summit Point, WV 25446
MAY 3-4	FOOTHILLS GSSF MATCH	Foothills Public Shooting Complex Of Cleveland County	foothillspublicshooting.cc	283 Fielding Rd Cherryville, NC 28150
MAY 3-4	Silver State GLOCK Showdown	Western Nevada Pistol League	wmpl.org	21555 Pyramid Way Reno, NV 89510
MAY 10-11	RSC GLOCK Shoot Out	City of Rawlins Shooting Complex	rawlinswy.gov/151/Indoor-Outdoor-Shooting-Ranges	2021 E. Gun Club Rd Rawlins, WY 82301
MAY 10-11	IN-OH-KY Borderlands Shootout	Laughey Valley Fish and Game	laugheyvalleyfishandgameclub.godaddy.com	4852 South Friendship Road Versailles, IN 47001
MAY 17-18	Belton Blast	Belton Gun Club	beltongunclubinc.wildapricot.org	153 Range Road Belton, SC 29627
MAY 17-18	Northern Lakes Regional Classic	Oakdale Gun Club	oakdalegunclub.org	10386 10th St. N. Lake Elmo, MN 55042
MAY 31-JUNE 1	Big Sioux Ballistic Challenge	Big Sioux Rifle & Pistol Club	bigsiouxrifleandpistolclub.com	25951 484th Ave. Valley Springs, SD 57068
MAY 31-JUNE 1	Benton Gun Club GSSF Challenge	Benton Gun Club	bentongunclub.org	5522 Mt. Olive Cutoff Road Bauxite, AR 72011
JUNE 7-8	GLOCK Fire on the Mountain	Daisytown Sportsmen's Club	daisytownsportsmensclub.com	198 Fulmer Rd Johnstown, PA 15904
JUNE 7-8	Beaver State Ballistic Challenge	Chehalem Valley Sportsman Club	cvs-c.us	9401 NE Worden Hill Rd Dundee, OR 97115
JUNE 14-15	Garden State Regional Classic	Central Jersey Rifle & Pistol Club	cjrpc.org	161 S Stump Tavern Rd Jackson, NJ 08527
JUNE 21-22	Montana GLOCK Classic	Western Montana F & G Association	wmfga.org	101-329 Deer Creek Rd Missoula, MT 59802
JUNE 28-29	Bourbon Country Classic	Anderson County Sportsman's Club	acsokynet	1070 Old Joe Road Lawrenceburg, KY
JULY 12-13	Coeur D'Alene GLOCK Classic	Feman Rod & Gun Club	frgc.org	11400 E. Feman Lake Road Couer D'Alene, ID 83814
JULY 12-13	Buckeye State Ballistic Challenge	Ft. Hammar Rifle Club	forthamar.com	3265 Fifteen Mile Creek Road Marietta, OH 45750
JULY 19-20	Pacific Coast Challenge	Albany Rifle & Pistol Club	arpcc.info	29999 Saddle Butte Road Shedd, OR 97377
JULY 19-20	Great Lakes Regional Classic	Livingston Gun Club	livingstongunclub.org	2406-2412 Hunter Road Brighton, MI 48114
JULY 26-27	Scarborough Fish & Game Annual GSSF	Scarborough Fish & Game Association	scarfg.org	21 Fish & Game Lane Scarborough, ME 04074
JULY 26-27	Virginia Ballistic Challenge	Triangle Sportsmen's Club	triangleonline.org	770 Triangle Road Bluefield, VA 24605
AUGUST 2-3	Ontario Region GLOCK Challenge	Ontario Rod and Gun Club	theorgc.com	2523 Trimble Rd Ontario, Ny 14519
AUGUST 9-10	Rocky Mountain Regional Classic	Weld County Fish & Wildlife Range	wcwf.org	38980 County Rd 51, Eaton, CO 80615
AUGUST 9-10	Northwestern Regional Classic	Jefferson County Sportsmen's Assn.	jeffersoncountysportsmen.org	112 Gun Club Road Port Townsend, WA 98368
AUGUST 16-17	Keystone State Ballistic Challenge	Topton Fish & Game Association	toptonfga.org	26 Tina Lane Mertztown, PA 19539
AUGUST 16-17	GLOCK@Lima Sabres For All	Lima Sabres Shooting Association Inc	limasabres.com	5090 Hanthorn Rd Lima, OH
AUGUST 23-24	Northern California Regional Classic	Richmond Rod & Gun Club	richmondrodandgun.com	3155 Goodrick Ave. Richmond, CA 94801
AUGUST 23-24	Midwest Regional Classic	Green Valley Rifle & Pistol Club	gvshoot.com	4350 E. Academy Road Hallsville, MO 65255
SEPTEMBER 6-7	Twin Tiers Regional Classic	Pine City Sportsmens Club	pinecitysportsmensclub.com	187 Mountain View Dr. PO Box 110, Pine City, NY 14871
SEPTEMBER 6-7	TSF GLOCK Classic	Tennessee Sports Foundation	tnsportsfoundation.org	3583 Riverside Drive Jackson, TN 38301
SEPTEMBER 13-14	Atomic City GSSF	Los Alamos Sportsmans Club	la-sc.org	Rendija Road Los Alamos, NM 87544
SEPTEMBER 13-14	Badger State Regional Classic	Schuliz Resort Rod & Gun Club	schulizgunclub.com	W146 S8025 Schuliz Lane Muskego, WI 53150
SEPTEMBER 19-21	GLOCK Annual Shoot XXVIII-Gunny Challenge	Civilian Marksmanship Program	thecmp.org	4387 Turner Mill Rd Talladega, AL 35160
SEPTEMBER 27-28	Showdown at Big Creek	Mobile County Sheriff's Office Range	mobileso.com	12251 Tanner Williams Rd Mobile, AL 36608
SEPTEMBER 27-28	The Sunflower State Classic	Trigger Guard	triggerguardonline.com	313 N. Meridian Road Wellington, KS 67152
OCTOBER 4-5	Eastern Nebraska GLOCK Classic	Eastern Nebraska Gun Club	engc.us	12700 NE-66 (Hwy 66) Louisville, NE 68037
OCTOBER 4-5	Veritas GLOCK Challenge	Manatee Gun & Archery Club	manateegunclub.com	9903 Old Hyde Park Place Myakka City, FL 34251
OCTOBER 11-12	Bluegrass Regional Classic	Bluegrass Sportsmens League	bgsinc.com	2431-2445 Handys Bend Rd Wilmore, KY 40390
OCTOBER 18-19	Hoosier State Regional Classic	Atlanta Conservation Club	atlantaconservationclub.com	29595 Leonard Rd Atlanta, IN 46031
OCTOBER 18-19	OKC Red Dirt Shootout	OKC Gun Club	okcgunclub.com	24507 N Hiwassee Rd Arcadia, Ok 73007
OCTOBER 25-26	Comhuskers Classic	Heartland Public Shooting Park	grand-island.com	6788 W Husker Hwy Alda, NE 68810
OCTOBER 25-26	Lone Star Classic	Dallas Pistol Club	dallaspistolclub.com	1830 W Belt Line Rd Carrollton, TX 75006
NOVEMBER 1-2	Duel in the Desert	Tucson Rifle Club	tucsonrifleclub.org	18303 W Tucson-Ajo Hwy Tucson, AZ 85735
NOVEMBER 1-2	The GLOCK Showdown in Savannah	17 South Rod & Gun Club	17southrngclub.com	5899 N. Coastal Hwy Fleming, GA 31309
NOVEMBER 8-9	Palo Alto GLOCK Showdown	Palo Alto Rifle & Pistol Club	paloaltogunclub.com	1393 La 943 Donaldsonville, LA 70346
NOVEMBER 15-16	The Route 66 GLOCK Challenge	Route 66 Shooting Sports Park	r66ssp.com	15810 CAJON BLVD SAN BERNARDINO CA 92407
NOVEMBER 15-16	GLOCK's In The Pines	Angelina Rifle and Pistol Club	angelinarifleandpistolclub.org	1438 Rifle Road Polok, TX
NOVEMBER 22-23	Southern Alabama Regional Classic	Talon Range of Dothan	talonrange.com	372 County Road 560 Midland City, AL
DECEMBER 6-7	"Remember the Alamo" Ballistic Challenge	Blackhawk Shooting Range	blackhawkshootingrange.com	12135 Jarratt Rd Alamosa, TX 78002



The 2024 GUNNY Challenge participants.

# THE GLOCK SPORT SHOOTING FOUNDATION®

**2024 ANNUAL MATCH: WARM DAYS AND HOT SHOOTING!**

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**T**he 2024 GLOCK Sport Shooting Foundation (GSSF) Annual Match was held in September of 2024 at the Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) ranges located near Talladega, Alabama. The Annual Match has been going on for years now, and the 2024 match had one of the highest levels of match participation. This year, there were 961 entries over the 3 days of the Annual Match, with the weather being nearly ideal, if a bit warm in the afternoons.

The Talladega CMP ranges are a great place to shoot, and many disciplines are practiced there. So many in fact, the Talladega ranges are known as the “Marksmanship Park,” where pistol, rifle and shotgun shooting can be practiced. CMP staff have supported the Annual Match for years, along with numerous volunteers that run the courses of fire for GSSF. Along with all the staff and volunteer support, the GSSF Annual Match has several aspects which are unique to this match.

This includes an event which is known as the US Military and Law Enforcement Appreciation Shoot. This is an invitation only event for veterans and law enforcement officers who have been injured serving their country and community. Organized by the Director of GLOCK Professional, J. “Willie” Parent III, it is held on Friday morning, ending with lunch at the range. GLOCK Professional instructors and GSSF staff support these individuals who have made tremendous sacrifices in the line of duty. In 2024, there was a full squad of these competitors who shot the same GSSF courses of fire as in any GSSF match. The squad moved through the stages very efficiently because of the work done before their arrival by GSSF and CMP. It was inspirational to observe them shoot, and all involved enjoyed the event. Some even shot the course of fire again in a different division!

Due to its popularity with competitors, the Annual Match allowed registrants to begin on Friday, if their schedule permitted. The match continued through the weekend, following the regular schedule. By mid-day Saturday though, a match within the match is run. “The GUNNY Challenge,” named after the GUNNY, R. Lee Ermey, hosts only the best-of-the-best in GSSF. Here, “Match Meisters,” the overall winners of individual matches over the years from all across the country, are invited to participate in a mano a mano shoot-off, where the course is secret until match day. GLOCK pistols and ammunition are issued, but the pistol model and caliber are only known on the day of. This year the course was nicknamed the “Drag Race.” Each competitor faced 10 small steel targets with either a standard G49 or a G49 MOS pistol topped with a green dot sight. With one of the largest groups of Match Meisters to date, the double elimination format led to Brad Balsey of Pennsylvania emerging at the top! He received a cash award and had his name engraved on the GUNNY Trophy. GSSF made sure to recognize and thank the Young Marines who reset the falling steel targets through the match.

As the match came to a close, Scott Drobnick, GSSF Manager said, “Thanks to everyone who helped make our Annual Shoot a success. We hope to see you all next year!”

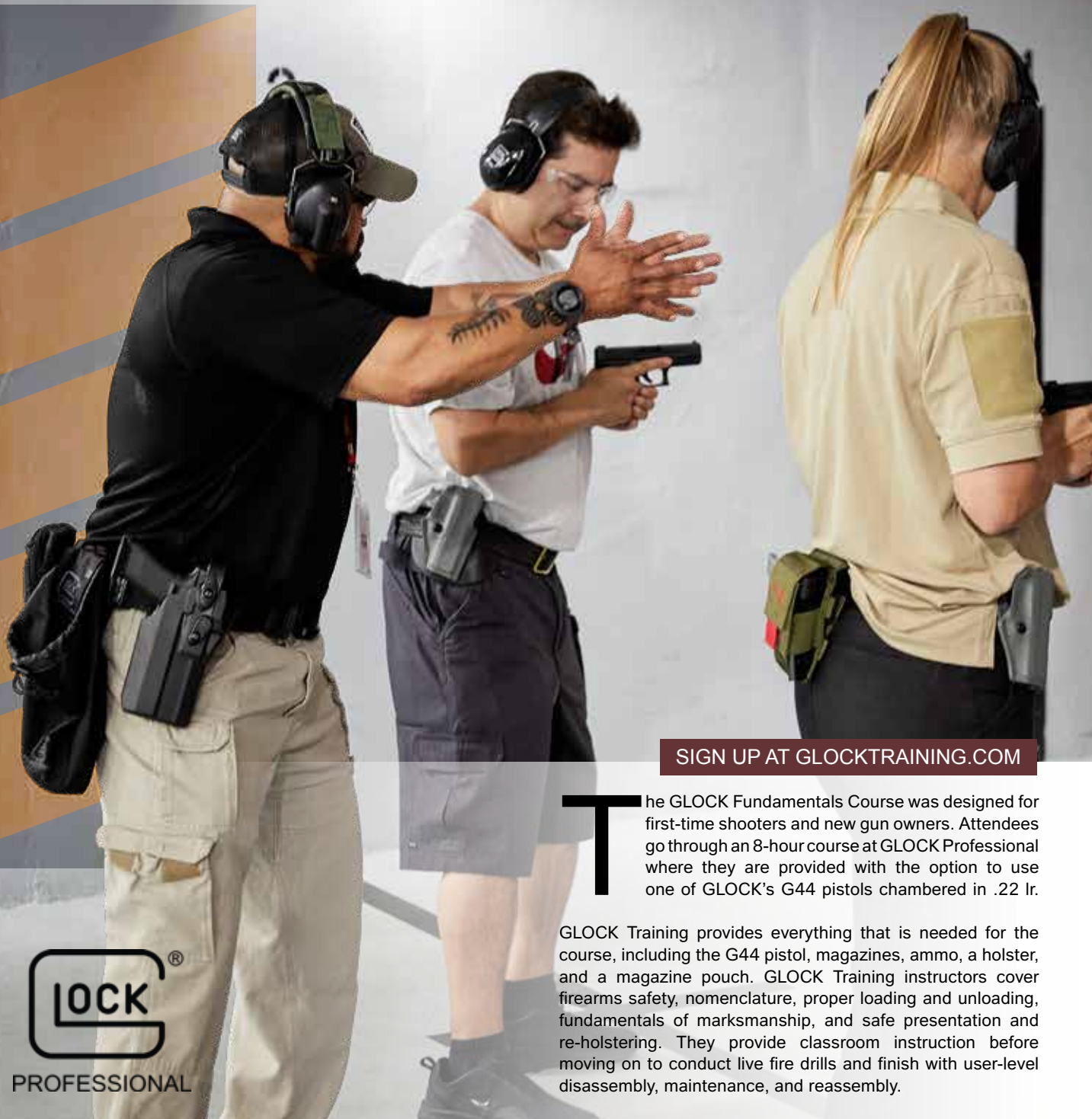
From new shooters to experienced shooters, the GLOCK Sport Shooting Foundation encourages GLOCK enthusiasts of all levels of experience to become a part of the GLOCK community. Offering a wide range of match opportunities, indoor and outdoor, across the United States, GSSF is the perfect balance of friendly competition and competitive challenges. See you at the next match!

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# Team GLOCK™

## A NEW CHALLENGE AND A TRIUMPH FOR TEAM GLOCK

MY JOURNEY INTO THE TACTICAL GAMES®

■ AUTHOR: SHANE COLEY - IMAGES BY: THE TACTICAL GAMES

**W**hen I decided to compete in The Tactical Games South Carolina this past June, I knew I was stepping into a whole new world. As someone who's spent 21 years in practical shooting, I was no stranger to competition, but The Tactical Games promised something different—something that would test me in ways I hadn't experienced before. I wasn't just stepping onto a range; I was entering a community that blends the precision of shooting with the grueling demands of physical endurance and mental fortitude.

This was my first time competing in The Tactical Games. The idea of diving into a new sport was both exciting and terrifying. It was a realm of the unknown, and I haven't experienced that in a long time. I've always believed in pushing my boundaries, and this event was the perfect opportunity to do just that. The Tactical Games isn't just about shooting well—it's about shooting well under extreme conditions, after carrying heavy weights, running distances, and managing your heart rate. It's about staying calm and focused when your body is screaming at you to stop.

Stepping onto the field in South Carolina, I felt the familiar rush of competition, but this time there was an added layer of uncertainty. I wasn't sure if my preparation was going to be adequate with what this competition was going to demand. I spent time focusing on interval training, weightlifting, and very disciplined style of shooting with a focus on accuracy. We were sent the stages a night in advance, so I took to studying and strategizing before arriving at the range the following morning. The very first event was a 4.5 mile run with full kit, pistol belt, and rifle. As many of you may know, I am not known to be a runner, so imagine my hesitancy right out of the gate. But, as the events progressed, I became more comfortable with the format, and I began to better understand the importance of output, heart rate, and patience. Moving into the second day, I felt a sense of calm that I was prepared for this. I pushed myself to new limits while still maintaining control of my shooting. My output increased throughout the day, but I didn't lose my confidence or my cool. It turned out to be one of the most enjoyable events I have ever competed in. I ended up taking first place in my division, a result that I'm incredibly proud of; however, it wasn't just about winning, it was about proving to myself that I could adapt and succeed in this new environment and proving that this was going to be another success for Team GLOCK.

My journey wasn't the only one that stood out at this event. My teammate, Callerina Woodard, had her own incredible story. This was Callerina's first Tactical Games back after giving birth to her first child, Remington, in March. Watching her prepare and compete was nothing short of inspiring. She balanced the demands of new motherhood





with the intense preparation required for this competition, and she did it with the same determination and passion that she's always brought to the sport. For Callerina, the South Carolina event wasn't just about competing—it was about coming back stronger than ever, proving to herself and to all of us that she's still one of the best in the world.

As we both reflect on our experiences at The Tactical Games in South Carolina, it's clear that this was more than just another competition. For me, it was about growth—about taking what I've learned in the world of sport shooting and applying it to a new, challenging environment. For Callerina, it was about continuing to establish her dominance as a professional athlete, while also juggling the responsibilities of being a new mother.

The Tactical Games demand more than just accuracy; they demand adaptability, resilience, and an ability to push through physical and mental barriers. This event has taught us valuable lessons that we'll carry forward, not just into future Tactical Games, but into every aspect of life and our training and competition. We're refining our strategies, pushing ourselves harder in training, and embracing the unique demands of this new competitive environment. Through this, we are becoming better athletes, better people, and better competitors.

As we continue on this path, I'm reminded that the only way to truly grow is to challenge yourself, to step into the unknown, and to embrace the process of learning and adapting. That's exactly what we're doing at Team GLOCK, and I couldn't be more excited for the journey ahead.



"My GLOCK pistol was constantly covered in mud and sweat throughout the stages, but I never lost confidence in the reliability and performance of my pistol." - C. Woodard

# COMBINING FITNESS AND FIREARMS WITH TEAM GLOCK

■ AUTHOR: CALLARINA WOODARD - IMAGES BY: THE TACTICAL GAMES

### HOW IT BEGAN

I first ventured into competitive shooting in 2019 when a friend introduced me to a new sport that combined shooting and fitness called The Tactical Games. At the time, I was a competitive CrossFit athlete with some experience in firearms, but I had never competed in any shooting event or experienced the pressure that comes with it. The only equipment I owned was a GLOCK 19X pistol and a plate carrier, so I ended up borrowing a rifle and purchasing the appropriate gear.

Going into my first competition, I felt confident in my ability to handle heavy farmer's carries, long runs, rope climbs, and sled drags. I was also comfortable shooting accurately with both my pistol and rifle on the range. However, combining these two elements presented an entirely new challenge. After a grueling run, a sled drag, and a 100-foot farmer's carry, my pistol grip and manipulation skills began to suffer. Hitting the A-zone on the target required far more focus and energy than I had anticipated. As I hurried to recover, I struggled to steady my rifle for clean, accurate shots. My GLOCK pistol was constantly covered in mud and sweat throughout the stages, but I never lost confidence in the reliability and performance of my pistol. I knew I had a lot to learn after my first Tactical Games, but I left feeling inspired and wanting more.

### HOW IT WORKS

Since 2019, The Tactical Games community has grown exponentially. One of the best aspects of this sport is that you don't need to be the greatest shooter or the most physically fit athlete to compete. You also don't need a fancy race gun or fancy equipment. My GLOCK pistol has withstood the tough conditions that we experience at every Tactical Games competition, and it still functions flawlessly.

Scoring typically combines the time it takes to finish the course with the accuracy of your hits on target. For instance, if you complete a stage in six minutes and the next closest athlete finishes in eight minutes but hits more targets, they could still place higher overall. This scenario has happened to me more than once. One memory stands out vividly: I completed a stage ahead of the next athlete and shot well, but not perfectly. When the scores were posted, I was surprised to see I had finished second to an athlete who didn't even finish within the allotted time. I initially thought there was a mistake, but then I saw her targets—she had zero misses. She made up the time I gained in fitness by shooting with excellent accuracy.

When people ask how to get started in The Tactical Games, I always tell them the first step is to be secure and confident in



firearm safety. This sport has stringent rules to ensure the safe handling of firearms by every competitor. The next step is to secure the right gear. You'll need a plate carrier, a pistol and a rifle, and a belt system with a holster and magazine pouches for both. Your first competition will probably be overwhelming, but you will have a supportive community to help you through. The fitness elements are tough but trainable, and the shooting is challenging but achievable.

### HOW IT'S GOING

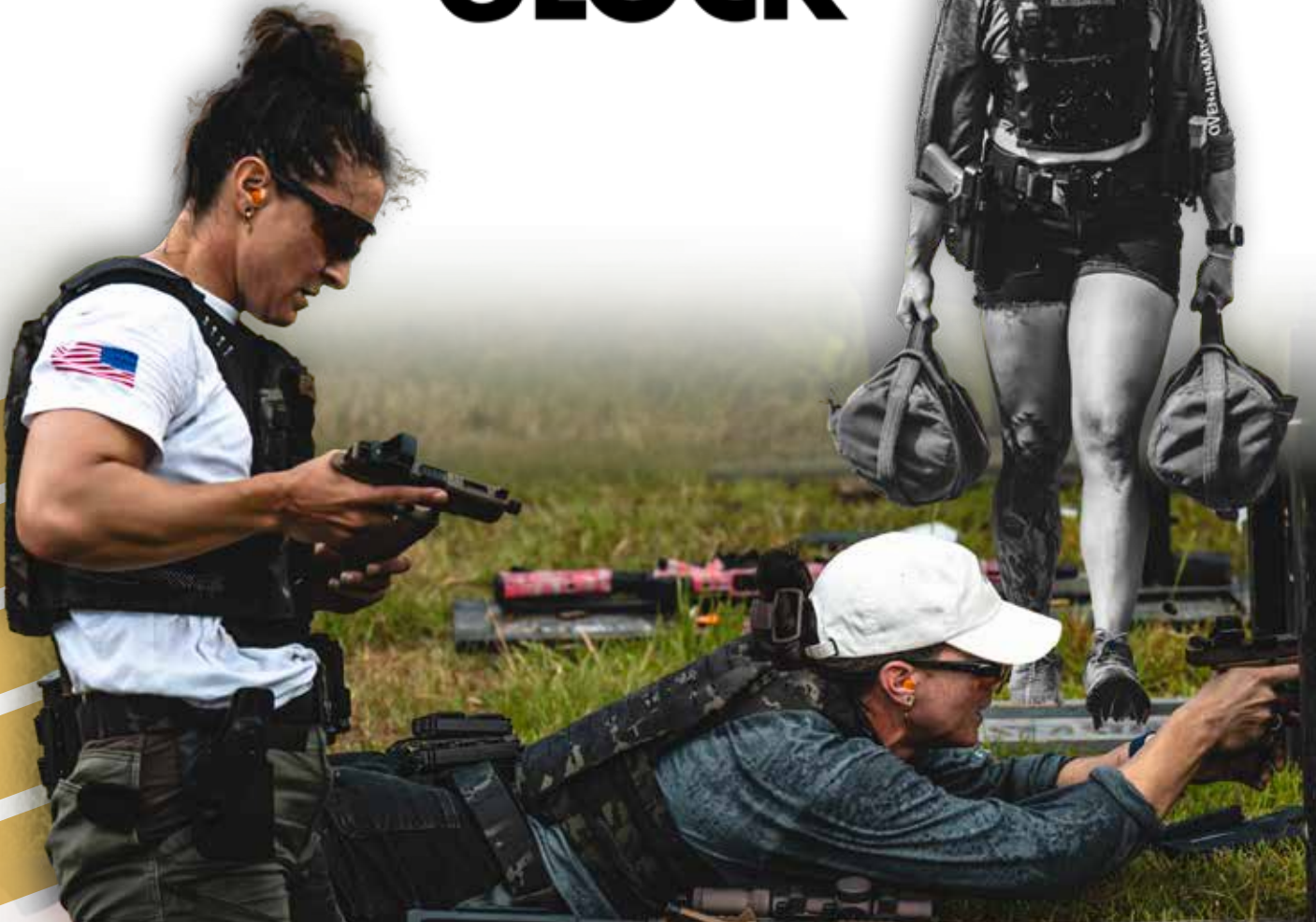
My 2023 season was cut short after I became pregnant with my son. I finished the year out by competing in two more competitions while I was pregnant. However, I decided not to compete at the National Championships since I was 20 weeks along at that time. Getting back into competing after having him in March has been such a fun journey. The other members of Team GLOCK, as well as the community, have offered me a lot of encouragement and support. Team GLOCK is always collaborating to help each other grow. Along with the other team members, the Team GLOCK Captain, Shane Coley, has helped

me tremendously by providing training tips and coaching to help me improve my shooting skills.

Competition weekends have now come with a new challenge. After each stage of competing, I rush back to where my husband is to make sure my baby is fed! Then, we switch, and I give my husband a chance to prepare for his next stage. My son's presence at competition weekends has created a new experience, but it's been fun working through it as a team with my husband. It's made me appreciate the support I have even more.

I'm incredibly glad that I found my way into this sport. I am thankful for the support that I have received from GLOCK and The Tactical Games community. Being a part of Team GLOCK and competing in The Tactical Games has led me to improve my marksmanship and has continued to push me in my fitness and overall strength. I look forward to seeing more members of the firearms community come into the sport to put themselves to the test.

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Thy Ngo prepares for her next course of fire.

# YEAR ONE WITH TEAM GLOCK

■ AUTHOR: THY NGO - IMAGES BY: GLOCK

**A** year has passed since I've joined Team GLOCK alongside my fellow newcomers Callarina Woodard and Morgan Leonhardt. I had anticipated the journey would not only be rewarding, but also bring its own set of challenges. When I reflect on my first-year accomplishments with the team, I can't help but feel a deep sense of gratitude.

## Growth and Learning

When I began my firearms journey in 2020, I had no idea I would be recruited into one of the most prestigious shooting teams in the world. My first firearm was a GLOCK 43X pistol that I bought, because I wanted to learn how to better protect myself. After many sessions at the range, I quickly found a deep passion for further improving my skills. This led me to want to excel in competitive shooting sports like USPSA, IPSC, and GSSF. Since then, I've accumulated many High Lady titles at both state and regional-level matches.

Three years into my competition shooting journey, the captain of Team GLOCK, Shane Coley, reached out. It was nothing short of a shock to me, a dream I never would have imagined, and a realization that my hard work was getting noticed. The first six months were a steep learning curve, as I knew I was stepping into a competitive and demanding environment of high expectations. I felt the pressure, like a thousand eyes

staring at me every time I stepped onto the range, whether it be in practice or match.

Aside from competing, we were also attending shows, becoming product experts, learning how to mentor, and engaging on social media platforms. Being an ambassador for Team GLOCK, no matter the setting, also demanded a level of patience and resilience that I had to foster for myself.

My first big test off the range was my first time attending SHOT Show. Being pulled in a million directions from industry meetings to back-to-back product demos was overwhelming, to say the least. Waves of fans that I never knew I had were asking for autographs. It definitely felt a little awkward at first. It was all so new to me. I recall conversations with close friends about my feelings of doubt. I thought, "Do I belong here?"

I had to dig deep and reaffirm the reasons why I wanted to do this. I wanted to represent one of the most respected companies to ever exist in the firearms industry, and I wanted to share my story to ignite ambition in others to pursue big dreams. I wanted to do it for the shooting community, firearms enthusiasts, and the next generation of aspiring competitive shooting athletes. Eventually, my confidence grew as both a competitor and GLOCK ambassador, and my doubts went away. I know now that I belong here.

### Role Models

Working alongside our Team Captain, Shane Coley, and long-time team member, Ashley Robertson, has been nothing short of enriching. They have been supportive in my journey, guiding me to not only become a champion-minded competitor, but also a strong leader. Ashley always checks in with us, making sure we have the equipment we need, writing up structured training plans, and preparing us for shows, demos, and interviews. Ashley and Shane have always been so generous in sharing their own learned experiences and offering words of encouragement.

Looking back at these lessons in leadership, I remember a team training session in Alabama where Shane had us draw on a steel popper, then go for a wide transition. I found myself applying precision to the first shot on paper, ensuring an alpha, only for the follow-up shot to result in a charlie. Shane reiterated the importance of how every shot mattered and that we cannot allow our focus to shift, regardless of first or last shot. He helped me understand this doesn't just concern shooting, but that the concept applies in every aspect of what I do.

Applying full effort and attention to every task, small or large, is what it takes to be successful.

### Teamwork and Camaraderie

A favorite memory of mine with Team GLOCK was during the 2023 Area 8 Championship in Pennsylvania. There was a stage that allowed the shooter to start anywhere in the shooting area, designed with tight corners, small mini poppers, and fast moving targets. We were alternating between stage plan ideas, footwork, timing, and strategy for the activator sequences.

"Should we start on the left or the right?"

"If we took the reload in this position, that would only leave us with two buffer rounds."

"Watch your footing and muzzle here when you're coming around this corner."

"The swinger target comes out slower on this side, so we may have time to take the open target on the right in between."

**"This is the usual when we're all together on a stage. Pitching ideas, finding issues, and covering each other's blindsides. It was enlightening and humbling to know that while we were all experienced shooters, there is always something new we can learn from each other." - T. Ngo**

When asked about the team, Callerina Woodard, elite athlete in The Tactical Games, said, "Joining Team GLOCK has been the most exciting experience of my shooting career. My teammates are all phenomenal athletes, and that forces me to continuously work on bettering my own skills."

I posed the same question to Morgan Leonhardt, world and national champion shooter. She said: "I love the dynamic our team has and how easily we all fit together. My favorite times are when we can all squad with each other and help each other out."

### The Future: Perfection Continues

Team GLOCK will continue competing at the highest level: shooting for gold at the 2025 IPSC Handgun World Shoot, and at The Tactical Games National Championships.

Thanks to our veteran team members, I've learned the value of continuous self-improvement both on and off the range. Looking ahead, my teammates and I will focus on further refining our skills, sharing our experiences and expertise, and mentoring the next generation of elite competitors as ambassadors of the GLOCK brand.





# TEAM GLOCK SHINES IN 2024: A YEAR OF CHAMPIONSHIPS & MAJOR WINS

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The 2024 season has been an outstanding year for Team GLOCK, marked by championship titles, major wins, and exceptional performances across various competitive shooting disciplines. With a blend of seasoned veterans and emerging stars, Team GLOCK has continued to elevate their success in the shooting sports community.

New members Callerina Woodard, Thy Ngo, and Morgan Leonhardt have now completed their first year with Team GLOCK. Their dedication and impressive skills have made an immediate impact, showcasing their strength and versatility as competitive shooters and athletes. Each team member has individually contributed to the team's success.

One of the year's highlights was Ashley Robertson's performance at the IDPA Nationals. Ashley claimed the Carry Optics Ladies National Champion title, demonstrating her expertise and precision under pressure. Her winning streak continued as she dominated at the USPSA Handgun National Championship, adding another prestigious title to her name as the Production Ladies National Champion, reinforcing her position as one of the top female shooters in the sport.

Morgan Leonhardt, a rising star on the team, captured the Limited Optics Ladies National Title at the USPSA Handgun Nationals. This victory not only demonstrated her growth

and talent but also highlighted Team GLOCK's competitive edge across various shooting divisions. Her performance and dedication in the 2024 season reinforced her place as a major competitor in sport shooting.

Shane Coley also made significant strides in 2024 as he ventured into new competitive shooting disciplines. He clinched his first The Tactical Games victory in North Carolina, displaying his versatility and adaptability in a grueling competition format. Both Shane and team member, Callerina Woodard, qualified for The Tactical Games Nationals, an exciting and unique challenge.

Callerina further showcased her hard work and excellence by winning the Women's Elite division at The Tactical Games in South Carolina, a strong execution and confidence boost right before The Tactical Games Nationals. After giving birth to her son earlier this year, her performance in South Carolina set the tone for her return to the sport.

To top it all off, Team GLOCK collectively achieved an impressive five Area Championship titles throughout the 2024 season. With a team of ambitious champions, Team GLOCK's 2024 accomplishments highlight their dedication to perfection, excellence, and teamwork. As they continue to raise the bar in competitive shooting, the future looks bright for Team GLOCK.



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Connect with Team GLOCK on GLOCK IQ (GIQ) for insider announcements, discussions, and more. GIQ is an online community designed for those interested in learning more about GLOCK culture and history, connecting with other enthusiasts, and completing tasks to earn rewards. [GLOCKIQ.com](https://GLOCKIQ.com)

### LEARN

Subscribe to the channel for videos from Team GLOCK that help firearms enthusiasts to expand their shooting skills and see what it's like to be a competitive shooter. Team GLOCK University provides unique training insights and behind-the-scenes footage from Team Captain, Shane Coley, and other members of Team GLOCK.

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# DEALER SPOTLIGHT

## COMMITMENT TO CUSTOMERS: C2 TACTICAL

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**F**ounded in 2013 by Vincent Vasquez, C2 Tactical has quickly established itself as a premier destination for firearms enthusiasts in Arizona. C2 Tactical is a long standing and involved GLOCK Perfection dealer with locations in Tempe and Scottsdale. The company provides knowledge, safety, training, and quality equipment to its customers.

C2 Tactical participates in GLOCK Day events, which fosters direct interaction between customers and GLOCK sales representatives. Vincent emphasizes that this initiative is something truly unique in the firearms community. These events not only allow customers to explore various GLOCK pistol models but also to ask questions and receive personalized advice, creating a supportive and informative environment.

C2 Tactical's dedication to customer education is evident in their extensive offering of 26 standard firearms courses throughout the year. These courses cater to all skill levels, ensuring that everyone from beginners to seasoned shooters can enhance their proficiency. C2's focus on firearms education highlights their commitment to the continued growth of the firearms community with safe, law-abiding citizens.

Among the various GLOCK pistols available at C2 Tactical, the GLOCK 43X Slimline model stands out as the best-selling model. This is a highly favored choice among customers for concealed carry due to its reliability, simplicity, and concealability. The GLOCK 43X pistol is particularly appealing to those participating in C2 Tactical's educational courses, which focus on safe handling and proficiency for everyday carry.

C2 Tactical also hosts GLOCK Sport Shooting Foundation (GSSF) indoor matches, providing a platform for competitive shooting that encourages camaraderie and skill development within the community.

As C2 Tactical continues to grow, their focus remains on empowering individuals through education and safe firearm practices. Whether you're looking for training, equipment, or just a friendly conversation about firearms, C2 Tactical stands ready to serve. Their commitment to excellence ensures that every customer leaves better informed and more confident in their abilities.

C2 Tactical has been a great partner and dealer for GLOCK, Inc. They continue with their commitment to educate and equip their customers with industry-leading products as they look to the future.



As a Perfection Dealer, C2 Tactical hosts GLOCK Days and GSSF Matches throughout the year.



# DEALER SPOTLIGHT

## SIMMONS SPORTING GOODS: A FAMILY TRADITION

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In the Bayou state of Louisiana there are many valued traditions. Some are community traditions while others are more of what we call a “family tradition.” There are a litany of little things like recipes, phrases and holiday rituals passed around, but there are some things that transcend time and generations.

This time of year, we look forward to football championships, holiday gatherings and of course, hunting season. Small game, big game and waterfowl hunters can be seen almost any morning cruising the highways and backroads with ATVs in tow and a truck full of their prized hunting gear. However, many of them, heading for the great outdoors or not, trust a GLOCK pistol on their side or tucked away for safe keeping.

That leads us to another family tradition, Simmons Sporting Goods. It’s a family tradition because it’s owned and operated by family. The folks that work there are family, and for most that have entered those giant elk horn-laden doors, they shop as a family. Over 40 years ago, Jeff and Robin Simmons went all-in on a dream and have grown it to become the outfitter empire it is today.

It didn’t come easy. Unlike large corporations or brand names we all know, there was no family fortune to fall back on. Unlike big businessmen with a long pedigree, there were no million-dollar loans from a parent or wealthy uncle. Robin worked as a medical technician as well as working in the store for years. Jeff depended on being a hunting guide and working cattle



to help ends meet early on. Their name was on the sign, but they opened the doors in the morning and locked them in the evening. According to Jeff, one of his most sound business decisions along the way was becoming a GLOCK dealer early on.

Over the last 15 years, Jeff has welcomed the help of daughter and CFO, Lindsey Curtis, as well as son and COO, Hunter Simmons. Lindsey, an LSU graduate, with a head for numbers, has become the face of the business, recognized for her clever marketing. Hunter, a business graduate from Louisiana Tech, has become the go-to guy for anything related to firearms, especially GLOCK pistols, hard goods and community related interests.

They believe in their business and what it supports by moving as many as 14,000 firearms per year and keeping an impressive 6,000 firearm models in stock at any given time, many of them being GLOCK pistols. They work hard, but somehow, they always work in a little time to enjoy with their

own families. They are always practicing firearm safety and the proper way to use the tools of the trade. Continuing their product knowledge as well as expanding their inventory is exactly how Simmons Sporting Goods became a GLOCK Blue Label and GLOCK Perfection dealer.

Some people shopping Simmons Sporting Goods today with their own kids were taken there by their own parents or grandparents. Even though it's where one goes for a new gun, waders, bow or camo clothing, it's so much more than that. It has grown to cover more than a city block with its warehouses, massive parking space and more than 80,000 square feet of retail space. No matter what people need for those anticipated outdoor excursions, Simmons Sporting Goods will have it.

Simmons Sporting Goods is more than just a retail store. The hard work and dedication of a family has turned Simmons Sporting Goods into a tradition for families all around the Bayou. It's a special place that embodies the promise to carry on and does so with GLOCK as a partner.



Simmons Sporting Goods has a large footprint and a wide array of products.

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Today, over 85% of Canada's armed agencies rely on GLOCK pistols.

# DISTRIBUTOR SPOTLIGHT

## RAMPART AND GLOCK A PARTNERSHIP BUILT ON TRUST AND PERFORMANCE

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**S**ince partnering in 2015, Rampart has proudly worked closely with GLOCK to provide Canada's armed professionals with the most trusted pistols in the world. Today, over 85% of Canada's armed agencies rely on GLOCK pistols, a testament to the unmatched quality and reliability that GLOCK brings to the field. As GLOCK's exclusive distributor for military and law enforcement in Canada, Rampart's commitment goes far beyond delivering firearms—Rampart provides comprehensive support to ensure their customers are always mission-ready.

The success of this partnership is rooted in Rampart's dedication to delivering service and support that truly matches the quality of GLOCK pistols. This includes in-house armorer services, warranty repairs, a robust selection of spare parts, certified armorer courses, customer demonstrations, and a comprehensive testing and evaluation program. These efforts

ensure that GLOCK pistol users in Canada are equipped with the best tools and support for success.

### EXPANDING INTO THE U.S.A.

Building on the success in Canada, Rampart expanded into the U.S. in 2021 to form Rampart USA and extend the same unmatched level of service and support as its Canadian counterpart. Rampart USA focuses on high quality and performance products like the made-in-Europe WARQ force-on-force helmets and DEFILADE low profile protective suits for law enforcement. Rampart's approach remains the same: top-tier products combined with relentless customer support.

This commitment ensures that law enforcement and military professionals are always equipped with the best tools for their mission.

# THE RISE OF GLOCK® PISTOLS IN AMERICAN LAW ENFORCEMENT

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**A**round the last decade of the 20th Century in the United States, the stage was set for the widespread adoption of semi-automatic pistols by police and law enforcement agencies. The American military had carried pistols in service since 1911. There were some vanguards or earlier adopters of semi-automatic pistols for uniformed law enforcement, the Illinois State Police being a notable example. However, the vast majority of domestic sworn personnel carried some sort of revolver, including many federal agencies. As perceptions of tactical situations changed, more “firepower” was seen to be necessary to meet multiple threats. Some domestic manufacturers attempted to meet the specified needs. Their central failure at that time was one of quality: a significant percentage of their deliveries to agencies did not function reliably. And reliability is the crucial quality of a defensive sidearm- it must work every time.

Following a disappointing delivery of service revolvers, the New York State Police (NYSP) tested and chose the first generation of the GLOCK 17 pistol. This purchase, coupled with sales to the City of Miami Police Department (after some severe testing, in salt water for example) and the City of St. Paul, MN, caused agencies and their personnel to sit up and take notice. The list of authorized users began to grow: Detroit, MI, the Georgia State Patrol, and the New York police of Suffolk and Nassau counties adopted GLOCK pistols, totaling hundreds and hundreds of firearms. With that stimulus, the New York Police Department (NYPD) also authorized the GLOCK 19 pistol chambered in 9x19mm.

This paved the way for GLOCK pistols to be tested, evaluated, and accepted by American federal law enforcement agencies, the first of several major governmental contracts. Quietly noting





the success and rise, the United States military community began to purchase and use GLOCK pistols for certain units. The models .40 caliber G22, the 9x19mm G19, and in small numbers, the G21 in .45 AUTO were sourced. All which went to war to protect U.S. service members.

As the years moved along into the new millennium, new generations of GLOCK pistols were designed to meet the specifications of U.S. Federal agencies. Fourth generation GLOCK pistols were the clear winner of the last major federal contract for .40 caliber handguns. They were designed for optimal reliability with weapon mounted lights and improved recoil control and durability, particularly with the .40 caliber cartridge. In head-to-head competition, GLOCK prevailed. Agencies in the western U.S. at the state and local level either adopted or authorized GLOCK pistols.

Fast forward a few years and U.S. Federal law enforcement began to look at the 9x19mm cartridge, since projectile technology had improved. Endurance and function testing were scheduled, and GLOCK submitted new pistols which, although they had the same famous GLOCK profile, had advanced engineering improvements internally. Of note, the GLOCK Marksman Barrel (GMB) in service models gave startlingly good accuracy results: right around 2.5-inch groups at 25 yards with

quality service ammunition. GLOCK engineers developed the Modular Optics System (MOS) and carried it into the Gen5 designs as American law enforcement realized the many advantages of pistol optic sights aka “red dots” on service weapons. Currently, GLOCK has developed precisely machined slides that allow the direct mounting of quality optics to popular GLOCK models.

The “direct milled” GLOCK pistols are offered with the footprints of quality optical sights, to include the Aimpoint ACRO, Holosun 509T, Leupold Pro and Trijicon RMRs. From the factory, law enforcement packages are offered where the optic is installed, backup sights mounted, and the pistol is shipped complete to the agency. This greatly simplifies logistics for agency personnel.

GLOCK has always addressed the needs of law enforcement by listening and responding to concerns. With this collaboration, new, relevant, and improved products have come into existence. GLOCK will continue to partner with law enforcement agencies to provide the very best in firearms for those who serve. Finally, GLOCK is not resting on previous accomplishments but is always working to create the next advancement in handgun design.





# ATLANTA P.D. AND GLOCK STRONG AND SECURE TOGETHER

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**A**tlanta, GA, is known as the “Titan of the South.” It has the world’s busiest airport, championship sports teams, and is considered a culture center for widely different arts. Atlanta also strives to serve and protect its citizens and visitors. The largest law enforcement presence within the city is the Atlanta Police Department (APD). APD can trace its beginnings back to the 1850s when less than two dozen “night police” were elected to patrol during the hours of darkness. By the end of the 19th century, the department boasted a Detective Division, a new headquarters and a new budget.

Fast forward to the late 20th century and into the beginning of the 21st, and APD begins a relationship with the GLOCK company, whose North American headquarters are located in the suburban city of Smyrna, GA, just outside the perimeter

expressway which encircles Atlanta. The GLOCK pistol rose to be Atlanta’s choice of sidearm, when another manufacturer was unable to supply repair parts for pistols that had been sold to the city. When APD asked for GLOCK pistols to test, the company responded instantly. The first GLOCK pistols adopted by APD were GLOCK 22 pistols in .40 caliber. They served APD officers well as the .40 caliber cartridge reigned supreme in American law enforcement. After several years had passed, another revolution began in police equipment. Again, led by US Federal law enforcement, and substantially supported by developments in pistol caliber projectile technology, the 9x19mm cartridge, over a century old, burst back onto the personal defense scene.

A law enforcement officer’s sidearm is a number of things. It is a badge, if you will, of the office. It also can serve as a simple



deterrent and in critical, life-threatening situations, a tool for survival. The staff involved with training and equipment for the APD took note of the most recent developments and began to study what would be the best lifesaving equipment for APD officers.

Their conclusion: GLOCK pistols. Specifically, one of the latest variants of the fifth generation of GLOCK pistols. It was determined that a GLOCK 45 model chambered in 9x19mm, outfitted with the Trijicon RMR red dot sight directly mounted to the slide would be the best among the array of service pistols. To further bolster the pistol and sight combination, a Streamlight TLR-7 light would be mounted on each officer's pistol. A critical piece of support gear, an AXON individual camera activator would also be mounted on each uniformed officer's holster, to serve as a witness for an officer in a life-

threatening situation. The equipment was set, and APD range staff and SWAT team members were given a GLOCK Armorer's Course to educate them and address any specific questions they might have.

As of 2024, a robust transition program has been underway. Officers are given two full days of in-service training, including low-light equipment familiarization. Immediately when the program began, APD range staff noted an improvement in qualification scores, a real-world validation of the updated gear. Another notable achievement has been a cadet class where all cadets have successfully completed the firearms course with zero failing scores! It is believed that is a first for the department and further proof that APD has made the right choice with their selection of GLOCK pistols.



# CLAYTON COUNTY, GA POLICE DEPARTMENT VISITS GLOCK, INC.

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**C**layton County, formed in 1858, was the 125th county formed in Georgia. The county is included in the Atlanta Metropolitan area and is the home of Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport, the busiest airport in the world by total passengers.

In the early days, policing of the county was handled by the Sheriff and his deputies. In 1939 the Clayton County Sheriff was overwhelmed by the number of liquor stills appearing throughout the county. The County Grand Jury made numerous recommendations to the County Commissioners to hire

more county policemen to assist the Sheriff. At the County Commission meeting in April 1940, the commissioners agreed to hire two more county policemen. They appointed Deputy Robert L. (Bob) Wynn as the first Chief of the Clayton County Police Department. Chief Wynn and three officers comprised the Clayton County Police Department of 1940.

Since the forming of the police department, Clayton County has evolved from a rural county to an urban city. It is now the fifth most densely populated county in Georgia. The Clayton County Police Department has grown immensely since its inception in



Clayton County Police Department SWAT Team training.



Clayton County Police department staff after meeting with Mrs. Glock.

the 1940s. Currently, under Chief of Police Kevin Roberts, the Department has over five hundred employees, including 385 sworn personnel. Police divisions include Uniformed Patrol, Special Operations, and Criminal Investigations.

The department has issued GLOCK pistols to officers since 1996. They currently issue G17 Gen5 pistols and are in the process of transitioning their officers to optics, utilizing the Trijicon RMR red dot sight. Department pistols are also equipped with Surefire X-300 weapon lights. The agency has found that the transition to optics allows officers to get a faster sight picture, improved accuracy, and higher qualification scores. This is a distinct advantage when it comes to protecting the citizens of Clayton County. Clayton County operates its own police academy with a full-time training staff of three instructors and an additional 35 certified firearms instructors that rotate into training as needed.

The department has a new initiative to collaborate more closely with their vendors to better meet the needs of the department. The objective is to establish or reinforce relationships with key vendors and to build bridges for better communication. The goal is to better understand how the equipment they use is developed and manufactured.

As a result of this initiative, key department staff connected with their dedicated GLOCK sales representative, and they took

a tour of the GLOCK facilities in Smyrna. The staff received a thorough tour and saw the manufacturing process from raw materials through finished pistols.

Lt. Rick Porter, the Public Information Officer for the department told me that because of the tour, their staff has a better understanding of what it takes to manufacture a GLOCK pistol. He told me that they were impressed with the manufacturing facility, quality control, and staff knowledge. He also said that meeting the people behind the product gave them a better understanding of GLOCK's dedication to continuing Perfection.

Coincidentally, the tour occurred while Mrs. Kathrin Glock, our Chairwoman, was in Smyrna. Mrs. Glock took time out of her busy schedule to meet Clayton County staff. Lt. Porter told me that it is uncommon for the Chair to take the time to meet with them. They appreciated the opportunity to meet with the leadership of a major manufacturer like GLOCK. Lt. Porter said that they were extremely impressed with Mrs. Glock and found her to be informative and delightful.

Clayton County P.D.'s visit to GLOCK Inc. meant more than just your standard site visit. The time spent building relationships from leadership all the way to the factory floor gave Clayton County P.D. a full understanding of the care and dedication invested into every GLOCK pistol.

# PISTOL MOUNTED OPTICS FOR EDC AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

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Pistols with optical sighting systems have become quite common and popular for several reasons. Pistol mounted optics were originally adapted to competition pistols in the 1990's. There have been tremendous improvements since the early days of pistol mounted optics. Action shooting sports saw and embraced the advantages of red dot sights early on. As optics have evolved, USPSA, IDPA, Bianchi Cup and GSSF have also seen an increase in use. Features have advanced, and the sights have become dependable and durable, while battery life has improved significantly. The current generation of optics have improved to the point where they are suitable for Everyday Carry (EDC) by legally armed citizens and by law enforcement. Since the introduction of GLOCK MOS pistols, mounting an optic has become much easier. Civilians and law enforcement agencies have embraced the MOS advantage.

Mastering the use of iron sights is difficult. The shooter has three distinct points of focus, rear sight, front sight, and target. The fact that the human eye can focus on only one thing at a time makes using iron sights a challenge for many shooters. An advantage of pistol mounted optics is that the shooter can focus on the target while superimposing the dot on the desired point of impact. For many, this is easier and faster than traditional iron sights.

Improved accuracy and speed are often cited as advantages. From a self-defense and law enforcement perspective, the large unobstructed field of view helps with situational awareness at and around the threat. The ability to better see and visually focus on the threat may be the biggest advantage of pistol mounted optics. Making solid hits at longer ranges is easier for most shooters using optics because of the ease of imposing the dot on the target as compared to lining up iron sights.

Gunsite Academy in Paulden, AZ trains many students annually including military, law enforcement, and civilians. CEO Ken Campbell told me, "If you think pistol mounted optics are the future, you're wrong. They are today. With the thousands of students we train at Gunsite Academy, about 60% have pistol optics."


Mounting an optic on a GLOCK pistol is simple, but adding an optic to your GLOCK pistol is not the "easy button." It will not transform poor shooters into master class shooters, but most will see an accuracy improvement especially at ranges of 15 yards and over. Adding an optic will not address mediocre performance of essential skills. The shooter must dedicate themselves to learning how to use the optical sight. Safe dry

fire and live fire practice to gain proficiency is paramount. Shooters new to optics will face challenges. The first is learning to acquire the dot, and dry fire practice is the best way to learn this skill. After ensuring your weapon is unloaded, practice the draw and presentation from low ready, acquiring the dot after each with the goal of centering the dot in the window. Shifting to live fire, all essential skills apply. A firm and consistent grip is key to recoil management and makes reacquiring the dot in multiple shot strings of fire more consistent. A smooth trigger press is essential to success.

GLOCK began offering direct cut pistol packages to law enforcement agencies several years ago. These packages allow the agency to purchase their GLOCK duty pistol complete with the optic of their choice and back up iron sights installed from the GLOCK factory. These packages have been well received by agencies looking for a turnkey solution in purchasing their duty pistols.







GLOCK law enforcement customers are gravitating toward optic equipped pistols for all the reasons stated. In the last year, GLOCK LE agency sales were 51% MOS pistols, 26% direct cut packages, and 23% standard iron sighted pistols. This is a dramatic shift that started about 5 years ago.

Georgia State Police Firearms Coordinator Sergeant Rick Ceballos put it this way; “The benefits of pistol optics are too great for law enforcement not to consider. The red dot platform can produce multiple positive results concerning shooting at a distance, marksmanship, an increase in situational awareness and proficiency for problem shooters.”

You owe it to yourself to give pistol optics a try. You may be pleasantly surprised at how well an optic mounted on your GLOCK pistol works for you.



"I've had a GLOCK pistol by my side while on and off duty for more than 15 years." - J. Mosher

# 15 YEARS ON DUTY: WHY I CONTINUE TO CARRY A GLOCK® PISTOL

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**F**or more than 15 years, I've had a GLOCK pistol by my side while on and off duty. During this time, I've had plenty of opportunities to evaluate its performance, and it's safe to say that GLOCK pistols have earned their place in my holster. While there are several reasons why I continue to carry a GLOCK pistol, the primary one is its reliability. Simply put, you just can't beat a GLOCK pistol. This sentiment is shared by many of my fellow law enforcement officers across the country, which is why GLOCK is a preferred choice for duty weapons.

Reliability is the cornerstone of any good firearm, and GLOCK pistols excel in this area. Whether in rain, snow, or the scorching heat, my GLOCK pistol has never failed me. I carried a standard GLOCK 17 pistol for years before switching to a GLOCK 45 MOS pistol. Lights and optics are now a common accessory as they enhance one's ability during stressful situations. Many agencies are slow to upgrade to new equipment, but GLOCK makes a special effort at working with agencies to keep their sidearms up to date.

Gaston Glock designed the GLOCK 17 pistol for the Austrian military. I wonder if he imagined back then that his creation would become one of the most famous handguns in history. What really sold the idea to most agencies is GLOCK's modern design and reliability. GLOCK pistols are lighter than other models, hold more ammunition, are extremely durable, and are affordable for budget constrained agencies.

## ACCESSORY SUPPORT

There are a ton of great holsters and accessories for GLOCK pistols, which is just another benefit of carrying one. My favorite duty holster for my G45 MOS pistol is the Safariland 7360 RDS, which securely locks it in place until I intend to draw it. I've used both the Streamlight TLR-1 and Nightstick TWM-30 weapon mounted lights because of their durability and compatibility with the G45 pistol.

I'm a huge fan of Vortex optics because of their solid performance and unconditional lifetime warranty. I carry the Defender XL red dot which is easy to mount on a G45 pistol because of the Modular Optic System (MOS). The MOS comes with multiple adaptor plates, making it easy to attach just about any handgun optic you want.

These accessories are my personal preference and opinion. With all of the accessory support for GLOCK pistols, you will be able to easily find the right ones for you. From extended magazines to interchangeable backstraps and high-performance sights, the GLOCK pistol can be tailored to your preference.



### QUALITY MAGAZINES

While people tend to place all the focus on firearms and not the magazine that feeds the ammunition, GLOCK's magazines cannot be overlooked. It is no secret that GLOCK magazines are among the most reliable in the world. If a magazine fails, the result could be the difference between life and death. Because of this, GLOCK puts the same effort into their magazine as they do the pistol.

With GLOCK pistols being the most popular choice for law enforcement, it makes it easy to carry interchangeable magazines with agencies around you. Most of the agencies around my area carry a G17 or G45 pistol, meaning they could share magazines during a large-scale incident if needed.



### CONSTANT - BY MY SIDE

Over the years, I've carried a lot of different equipment and gear. From flashlights, to belts, handcuffs, boots, and more, each different piece of equipment is eventually replaced when it breaks or wears out. One of the few exceptions to this is my trusted G45 MOS pistol. It's been with me through the rain and snow, on hot days and in freezing temperatures. My job is to protect others from danger at all costs. To do this, I must trust my pistol with my life.

It's not hard to see why law enforcement officers demand a firearm that is not only reliable but also easy to use, maintain, and customize. GLOCK pistols meet all these criteria and then some. When I'm off duty, my department-issued GLOCK 43 pistol is by my side. The benefit of a smaller compact version of my duty gun is invaluable. With the G43 Slimline model, I can conceal it with ease and still have a reliable sidearm within reach should an incident occur.

My grandfather used to say, "if it ain't broke, don't fix it." He grew up in a time when John Browning's 1911 was the gold standard. Now, I find myself speaking about GLOCK pistols like he did of Browning's handgun. It has changed the way we think about firearms in the modern world. There is a reason other companies copy GLOCK instead of making their own design. Gaston Glock simply designed a perfect modern handgun.

After 15 years of carrying a GLOCK pistol on duty, I can confidently say that it remains my firearm of choice for a multitude of reasons. It has unparalleled reliability, a wide range of available accessories, and it's a simple and robust design. These qualities together make it the perfect duty weapon.

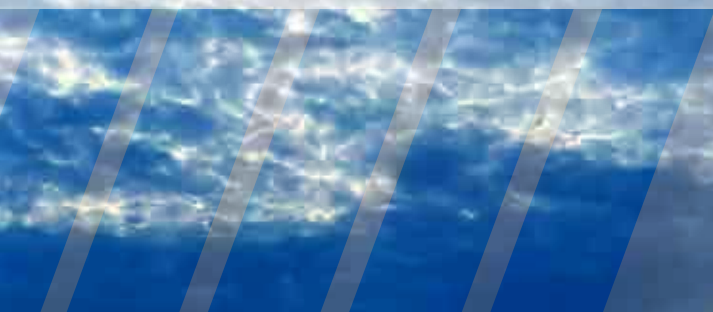
# GLOCK PERFECTION IN THE FAR NORTH

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A historical shooting competition restarted in 2024 with the resumption of “The Shoot,” a friendly competition between members of the Alaska Department of Public Safety (AK DPS) and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP). Thought to be the oldest Law Enforcement Shooting competition in the world, The Shoot began in 1960, soon after Alaska became a state. According to an article in “Must Read Alaska,” a RCMP commander proposed the competition as a way for Troopers and “Mounties” to get to know one another better. This was in 1959, shortly after Alaska had become a state of the United States of America. It has been a “friendly” competition, but make no mistake about it, the “bragging rights” have been fiercely sought by officers of both nations.

The competition was suspended in 2020 due to the COVID crisis, as RCMP personnel could not travel across borders. That confusion persisted; for a while it was proposed that the competition continue in Canada to help with the travel, but scheduling was elusive. Finally, after a hiatus of several years, plans were firmly set for the “Alaska State Troopers” (AST) to host the event in Fairbanks, AK in June of 2024.

I spoke with Trooper James Kimura, the AST Team SHOOT Captain. The Troopers on the team had to shoot for their spot by submitting competitive scores. Chosen for their shooting were D.C. Bryan Barlow, Inv. Kevin Gill, Cpl. John Stroebele, Cpl. Nathaniel Johnson, Cpl. Coby Sutton, and Tpr. Cody Royer. The department committed to support the event by allowing travel and covering the team member’s usual assignments.



RCMP team members arriving on a bush plane



Travel in the far North can be interesting, with some of the RCMP team flying in on a bush plane. Others drove, and work was done prior to ensure there would be no issues with the RCMP sidearms coming across the border. The same courtesy has been extended by the RCMP when AST personnel have travelled. The RCMP personnel were using iron sighted semi-automatic weapons. Alaska State personnel used GLOCK 17 Gen5 MOS pistols with red dot sights, and one Trooper shot his GLOCK 22 pistol as issued with iron sights. Part of the competition involves the teams swapping sidearms and shooting the course again. There was also a timed course of fire which utilized all of the duty weapons of the AST to include rifles and shotguns.

After two days of competition the AST team came out a bit ahead of the RCMP with a total of 5,761 points and 274 “X’s” to the Canadians 5,558 points and 193 “X’s”. There were individual awards to include a “Significant Other” shoot off, and a Mountie wife was the winner. AST Cpl. Stroebele distinguished himself by posting the high scores as Top Overall Shooter and won the Tactical SHOOT Award.

The SHOOT Trophy will move across Alaska to be displayed at several posts over the year as evidence of AST shooting prowess. Plans are already ongoing for the 61st AST/ RCMP SHOOT and GLOCK looks forward to the caldron of competition!

# MY JOURNEY WITH GLOCK: A COMMITMENT TO SAFETY AND EXCELLENCE

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**M**y name is Luciana Peixoto. I am 38 years old and have worked as a Police Delegate for the State of São Paulo, Brazil, for the past eight years. I currently head a specialized Homicide Investigation Team within the Department of Homicides and Personal Protection (DHPP). I am also a Professor of Criminal Procedure, an author of legal books, and a public speaker. I graduated with a degree in Law from FUMEC University in 2010 and hold postgraduate degrees in Criminal Sciences from PUC Minas Gerais University and in Police Intelligence and Public Security from FCA.

The Civil Police of São Paulo is responsible for conducting criminal investigations and acting in crime prevention and repression. It has approximately 27,000 officers and is the largest investigative police force in Latin America. Generally, investigative police do not wear uniforms, and their work involves intelligence and field operations. In some cases, concealed firearms are necessary to maintain the confidentiality of investigations, while in police operations, firearms are used openly along with uniforms and badges for identification.

Brazil has a high crime rate, particularly in large cities like São Paulo. To effectively combat mass crimes and organized crime, it is crucial to invest in quality equipment that is easy to handle and inspires confidence, as well as hands-on training.

When I became a police officer, I acquired a GLOCK 19 pistol for personal and professional use due to my trust in the brand. The 9x19 caliber is recommended for police use, and the size is perfect for concealed carry while offering good shooting capacity and low recoil. In 2022, the São Paulo Police made an institutional purchase of G19 and G17 pistols for the officers, and I now use a G19 pistol for my official duties.

In Brazil, police officers are considered security agents 24 hours a day, and thus, they are authorized to carry firearms at all times, including off-duty. During off-duty periods, concealed carry is necessary due to the crime rate, to avoid exposing the officer or their family to danger. Due to the use of tighter clothing and physical build, women have more difficulty with concealed carry, which is why I acquired a GLOCK 43X pistol for everyday use. I chose the G43X pistol because it has the same 9x19 caliber as my official weapon, and its subcompact size allows for discreet carrying under clothing with adequate shooting capacity.

I began participating in events, fairs, meetings, and training sessions to bring the firearm closer to the general public, demystifying any negative views of it as a tool for personal, family, social defense, and sports equipment. I aim to encourage women to learn about and participate in the "shooting world."



Image by GLOCK




Luciana on the range with her GLOCK pistol.

With over 200 shooters participating, the challenge, promoted by Team GLOCK Brasil Captain, Mauro Thompson, was an IPSC course requiring precision and speed in shooting 10 rounds of .380 caliber. As an additional benefit, this GLOCK Day event also collected non-perishable food items for those displaced in the state of Rio Grande do Sul (Brazil) due to intense rains.

I am looking forward to continuing to promote the participation of women in public security and the freedom to legally own a firearm in my home country of Brazil.

In Brazil, we have a highly successful event called a GLOCK Day, providing participants the opportunity to interact with and shoot different GLOCK pistols. In June, I participated in one of these events which took place in the partner shooting club Armalite Base in Brazil. These events aim encourage responsible gun ownership and training for all firearms owners. They also include a clinic on weapon cleaning and maintenance, competitions with awards for top performers, and interactions with Team GLOCK Brasil.



  
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The KASOTC facilities are expansive for comprehensive security training.

# EQUIPPING JORDANIAN SECURITY PROFESSIONALS

## THE KING ABDULLAH II SPECIAL OPERATIONS TRAINING CENTER

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**G**LOCK, a renowned name in the global firearms industry, has been a steadfast partner to the King Abdullah II Special Operations Training Center (KASOTC); helping to equip Jordan's security experts with the most reliable tools on the market.

Founded in 2009 under the visionary leadership of His Majesty King Abdullah II, KASOTC stands as a landmark of military training facilities. Spread across 3.5 square kilometers, the prestigious KASOTC represents a substantial \$250 million dollar investment in cutting-edge infrastructure and equipment. This state-of-the-art facility provides space for honing skills in special operations, irregular warfare, and counterterrorism tactics. These high-level programs attract elite units looking to refine their skills in the most demanding environments from across the globe. Under the guidance of ex-military Jordanian experts with full coordination and cooperation of partners in the USA and Europe, KASOTC trains, builds, and enhances the capabilities of friendly forces, cultivating a network of excellence on an international scale.

GLOCK pistols seamlessly integrate into KASOTC's curriculum, embodying the center's ethos of precision and effectiveness. GLOCK firearms offer a perfect blend of performance and user-friendliness with their durable polymer frame construction and the Safe Action System, empowering operatives to excel in high-stakes situations.

### TRAINING

Within these expansive grounds, many specialized training programs caters to a diverse array of professionals, including police, military, special forces, private security firms, and riot control units. Experienced instructors, experts in various fields, orchestrate immersive experiences tailored to each specialization. The arsenal at their disposal spans a wide range of weaponry, from precision sniper equipment to incendiary devices calibrated to replicate real-world scenarios. Amidst the demanding training regimen, the center provides premium amenities, including dining facilities, accommodations, and storage spaces.

Embracing a culture of inclusivity, KASOTC extends a warm welcome to visitors from all corners of the globe, ensuring they feel at ease amidst the camaraderie of shared experiences. This culture of hospitality reflects the ethos of the center's patron, His Majesty King Abdullah II, an advocate of military prowess. His Majesty King Abdullah II has personally undergone extensive training within these very walls, challenging conventional norms in his pursuit of mastery.

### ADOPTION OF ONE PLATFORM

The GLOCK 17 Gen5 pistol has become a core part of KASOTC's arsenal for its reliability, ease of use, and performance. Praised by teams from Western and Eastern Europe, America, and Asia alike, the GLOCK pistol transcends





geographical boundaries, uniting practitioners through its ergonomic design and safety features. The G17 pistol performs with excellence in the toughest of environments, which makes it essential for the KASOTC team.

#### **SAFETY MEASURES**

The KASOTC team is committed to the safety and well-being of all participants who make their way to the facility. They aim to provide the highest level of training while ensuring a safe environment that allows each individual to return home healthy after their rigorous program. GLOCK's commitment to safety aligns with and supports KASOTC's dedication to their professionals.

#### **EVOLUTION**

The GLOCK pistol has been a staple in the weapons systems of Jordanian security organizations for generations, evolving

alongside the evolving demands of modern warfare. Since the first generation, GLOCK has continuously adapted to meet the challenges of the present. While open to embracing future innovations, KASOTC remains steadfast in its trust in the GLOCK pistol's fifth generation, finding reassurance in its proven reliability and performance.

The collaborative spirit between GLOCK and KASOTC is rooted in a shared commitment to advancing operational capabilities and ensuring personnel safety. Beyond the confines of the training center, the impact of this partnership extends throughout Jordan's security forces. GLOCK pistols instill confidence in security personnel, enhancing the nation's defenses and safeguarding its citizens. Aligned in their mission and standards of excellence, GLOCK and KASOTC will continue their partnership, embodying excellence and performance in everything they do.



KASOTC personnel training on site.

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# TEAM GLOCK BRASIL CAPTAIN VISITS GLOCK, INC.

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Captain of Team GLOCK Brasil, Mauro Thompson (R), on the range at GLOCK Professional.

**T**eam GLOCK Brasil has continued to shine in 2024 amidst one of the largest consumer markets for GLOCK pistols in South America. Over the years, the team in Brazil has garnered numerous titles, podium finishes, and accolades. Under the leadership of the Team GLOCK Brasil Captain, Mauro Thompson, the members of the team have proven their competitive edge, gracing many podiums across Brazil in 2024.

In September of 2024, Mauro traveled to Smyrna, GA, to visit GLOCK, Inc. and meet with U.S. Team GLOCK Captain, Shane Coley. This visit further fueled a strong bond between both teams, and it provided Mauro with a unique opportunity to experience the GLOCK, Inc. company culture firsthand and connect with the U.S. team.

During his visit, Mauro was warmly welcomed by the GLOCK, Inc. team, who provided him with a comprehensive tour of the state-of-the-art facility in Smyrna. This tour allowed him to see the meticulous standards and innovative technology that goes into GLOCK's manufacturing and operations. Experiencing the GLOCK, Inc. headquarters firsthand gave him another perspective on the precision, quality, and innovation that GLOCK is known for worldwide.

One of the highlights of Mauro's visit was the chance to meet with GLOCK Professional. GLOCK Professional is dedicated to training and education for military, law enforcement, and responsible, law-abiding civilian users. GLOCK Professional offers a range of training programs that emphasize safety, skill development, and fundamental expertise. Mauro was able to engage with the instructors and understand the various courses they offer, giving him valuable insights that he can incorporate into his daily training. This connection with GLOCK Professional reinforced the global commitment of GLOCK to excellence in firearms training and safety.

To round off the visit, Mauro had the opportunity to head to the range and shoot with Team GLOCK U.S.A. Shooting alongside his U.S. counterparts allowed Mauro to share techniques, discuss training methodologies, and bond over their shared dedication to the sport. This hands-on experience strengthened the camaraderie between the U.S. and Brazilian teams, creating an unforgettable experience and fostering a spirit of collaboration.

Mauro's visit to GLOCK, Inc. reflects the brand's global commitment to shooting sports and the firearms community. The visit left Mauro with new knowledge and inspiration to bring back to Team GLOCK Brasil as they continue to represent the brand with pride and dedication in the world of sport shooting.



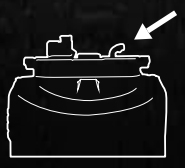
Visitors from Brazil at the GLOCK, Inc. headquarters in Smyrna, GA, U.S.A.

# GLOCK™ LUBRICATION GUIDE

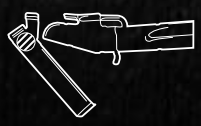


## CONNECTOR LUBRICATION

1 DROP SPREAD ON INDICATED AREA



RIGHT SIDE FRAME VIEW



RIGHT SIDE VIEW

## BARREL LUBRICATION

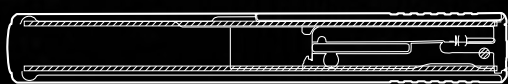
1 DROP ONLY ON INDICATED AREAS



SPREAD OVER ENTIRE BARREL

## SLIDE LUBRICATION

1-2 DROPS SPREAD ON INDICATED AREAS



## DO NOT LUBRICATE



MAGAZINE



WEEP HOLE SLIDE



LUBRICATION AREA

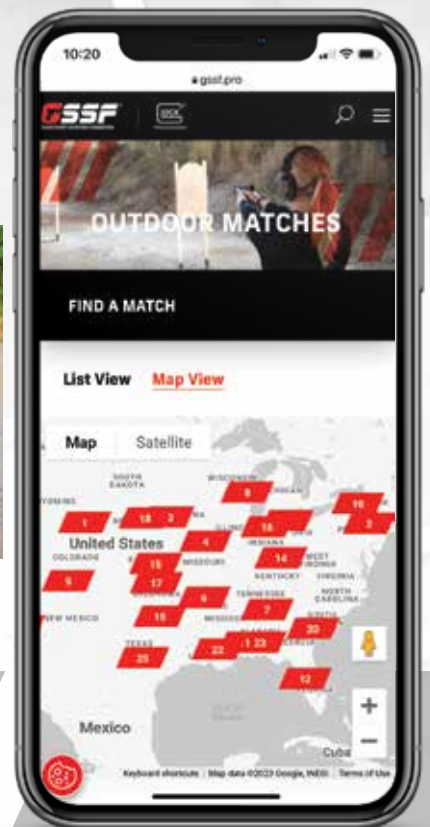


DO NOT LUBRICATE

# PURSUE YOUR PERFECTION

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