

# Owner's Manual

## Safariland™ User's Guide

Congratulations on your Safariland purchase. You have selected a product with construction technology that is unique and state of the art in the manufacturing of holsters, belts and accessories.

The product you have received is constructed with a proprietary SafariSeven™ material. Care and maintenance of this product are dedicated by the material from which it is constructed. Use of an incorrect cleaning material from which it is constructed. Use of an incorrect cleaning material may result in damage to the finish of the product.

SafariSeven™ can be cleaned by wiping with a damp cloth. Any liquid or powder soap and water along with a scouring pad will assist in cleaning.

**It is important to note that most natural and man-made products may eventually “wear out” or become unsuitable for the function for which they were designed. Stress and strain placed on any given holster will vary according to usage; therefore it is difficult to indicate a recommended replacement date for this product. It is the user's responsibility to assure, after use, that the holster is able to continue service within its design parameters.**

A handgun seated in a new holster will fit more tightly than after a reasonable, break-in period has occurred. Thus, the holster should not be used with a loaded handgun or on duty until the under two-second drawing standard indicated above is accomplished by the user. Should the holster remain tight after a reasonable break-in period, apply a liberal amount of common silicone spray to the inside of the holster.

**Regular practice to assure proficiency in using the holster must be continued as long as it is to be used. The amount of practice and training required will depend upon the dexterity, coordination and prior experience with holsters and handguns of each particular user.**

**CAUTION:** Should the holster continue to bind or remain tight, cease use immediately. Contact Safariland's Customer Care at (800) 347-1200.

**CAUTION:** Be certain the rotating hood is clear of then handgun prior to drawing the handgun out of the holster.

**CAUTION:** Practice and training as prescribed in this manual are mandatory prior to using the holster on duty. Do not use a loaded handgun during practice and training. Practice using the holster with an unloaded handgun until you are thoroughly competent and proficient in its safe use.

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### EXPRESS LIMITED WARRANTY FOR HOLSTER AND ACCESSORY PRODUCTS

Safariland™ (the “Company”) warrants its holster products to be free from defects in materials and workmanship for a period of two (2) years from date of purchase. This warranty is subject to the proper Care and Maintenance of the product and proper use of the product as detailed in the Consumer and Safety Information.

If you believe this product has any defects in materials or workmanship, cease use immediately and contact customer service for a remedy. If a product proves to be defective in material or workmanship, we will repair or replace the product and send it to you at the Company's expense. All returns must include the proof of purchase and documentation specifying the claimed defect.

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For any warranty issue, please contact customer care for a prompt resolution to your concern at the number provided below.

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### Model 7520 and 7280



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**Improper or careless use of a firearm or a firearm and holster may result in serious injury or death. It is the user's responsibility to have a thorough knowledge of and be properly trained in all aspects of firearm and holster safety and use.**

- ❑ Do not place a loaded handgun in a holster without first testing the holster for proper fit with the handgun in an unloaded condition.
- ❑ Do not carry any handgun with a round in the chamber unless you have received professional training in use of the handgun and holster and are willing to assume responsibility and risk (including accidental discharge) of carrying a loaded handgun.
- ❑ If your handgun is equipped with a safety lever, be sure that safety is engaged when holstering the handgun.
- ❑ When drawing handgun from holster or replacing it in holster do not place finger in trigger guard, or near the trigger. Position trigger finger adjacent to but away from the trigger and, if possible, support tip of finger on the front of trigger guard.
- ❑ When putting handgun in holster always place thumb over the hammer or behind the slide.
- ❑ Always keep hammer strap and thumb break forward or clear of trigger guard when putting handgun in holster. Do not allow strap or any other object to enter trigger guard.
- ❑ Always secure the retaining or safety strap(s) on holster after inserting handgun in holster.
- ❑ Never holster any semi-automatic handgun in a single-action mode (except handguns which are single action only; e.g.s., the Colt 1911 and the Browning Hi-Power style handgun).
- ❑ Do not attempt to cock a holstered handgun as this can cause severe damage to the handgun or holster or both and may contribute to an accidental discharge.
- ❑ Always place hand on the handgun and holster when running or performing other vigorous activity.
- ❑ Do not use customized, modified, worn or broken handguns or those that are not of original manufacturer's specifications in a Safariland holster.
- ❑ Do not, in any way, modify, disassemble or remove any part from this holster, unless approved by Safariland.
- ❑ Do not expose holster to extreme heat conditions.
- ❑ Do not leave holster in trunk of vehicle during extremely hot weather.
- ❑ Do not rely on any holster being "snatch proof". There is no such holster. Rely only on extensive, proper training and vigilance.
- ❑ It is the user's responsibility to properly maintain holster regularly, including checking snaps, screws and other components for proper function.
- ❑ Be aware that handguns with lights mounted to them create an opening in the holster that could possibly allow access to the trigger.

#### SLS ROTATING HOOD

The SLS mechanism is composed of stainless steel and chemically resistant plastic. It is designed with extra tolerances and clearing ports in order to function under extreme environmental conditions. Like the weapon it encloses, the SLS mechanism is a mechanical device and could require cleaning and lubrication if exposed to extremely dirty conditions. Testing has shown that conditions such as mud, dry sand, and airborne grit will cause additional force to operate the SLS rotating hood. Those same conditions usually render the weapon useless before the SLS rotating hood is affected. If the holster and weapon have been exposed to such conditions as soon as practicable clean the handgun per the manufacturer instructions and then clean the SLS rotating hood system. If the SLS mechanism has been exposed to mud and the unit is still wet, flush with warm water while rotating the hood until the unit works smoothly then lubricate with any gun oil. If the SLS mechanism has been exposed to dry sand or grit, it should be cleaned with WD-40 or a similar aerosol product using the plastic straw nozzle while rotating the hood until the unit works smoothly, then lubricate with gun oil. As a practical matter inspect, clean and lubricate the SLS mechanism every time you inspect, clean and lubricate your handgun.

**WARNING!** Never store your Safariland holster or accessories near a heat source. Space heaters, radiators, heating registers, fireplace, or other heating sources emit high temperatures that can deform or destroy the polymer from which many Safariland products are manufactured. The non-reflective surface on Safariland products will efficiently absorb radiant heat and can reach temperatures in excess of 200 degrees Fahrenheit, even several feet away from certain heating sources. Exposure to high heat can cause them to deform, and in some cases can cause the weapon to be locked in place. If you have accidentally exposed your equipment to a heat source, you should immediately remove it from the area, allow it to cool to room temperature and then operate it to insure correct function.

**Failure to heed these warnings or follow the operating instructions may result in accidental discharge of a handgun causing serious injury or death.**

**Read and understand all owners manuals, instructions, and guides prepared by the manufacturer for your taser.**

**Safariland holsters are designed to carry specific handguns.**

**Before use, be sure holster selected is designed to carry corresponding taser.**

**The purchase and use of this Safariland holster is done at the sole and exclusive risk of the user.**

#### Operating Instructions

The 7520 holster is designed with a belt loop simulating a clamp. The clamp is designed for fast attachment and removal to and from a belt. The clamp is locked by squeezing it until the snap engages. To open the clamp, pull on the bottom by the snap device and press the lock with your thumb until it opens.

#### Belt Adjustment

In order to draw a handgun from a Safariland Model 7280 or 7285 holster, it is necessary to install on a 2.25" (58 mm) or 2" (50 mm) duty belt.

**Note: The adjustment insert will be taped to the user guide.**

#### Step 1

To holster weapon, push down on the thumb tab area and while holding the thumb tab down, rotate SLS forward, insert unloaded handgun straight down. When placing handgun in holster, do not place finger in trigger guard or near trigger. Position trigger finger adjacent to, but away from trigger. If possible, support tip of finger on the front of the trigger guard. While inserting handgun in the holster, always place the thumb over hammer or behind the slide. Be certain handgun is thoroughly seated.

#### Step 2

After handgun is properly seated in holster, rotate SLS rearward over hammer, over back of slide until the SLS "clicks" up in the locked position. These actions should become very natural after practice. Steps 1 and 2 should be practiced until a one handed holstering and securing of thumb tab/hammer strap is smooth and natural.

#### Step 3

To draw handgun, it is necessary to use a two-step process. First, while obtaining a shooting grip with trigger finger extended and with the thumb press the thumb tab down to release the lock. Second, use thumb to rotate SLS forward and clear of the handgun and hammer. These two operations can become one motion with practice and proper technique.

**CAUTION:** Prior to wearing the holster on duty, the user must accomplish draw from fully secured holster in less than two seconds while under simulated stress or a life-threatening situation. Have a partner time your surprise command to completed draw.