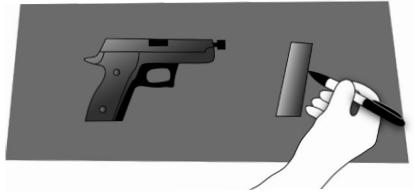


## Step 9: Cutting the Foam and Using the Magnet to Hold Your Firearms

Note: For a video walkthrough, go to: [tacticaltraps.com/install](http://tacticaltraps.com/install)

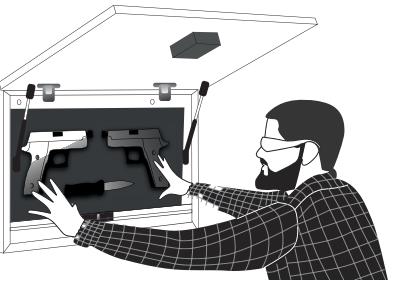
Lay the foam insert flat on a table. MAKE SURE ALL YOUR FIREARMS ARE UNLOADED AND THE CHAMBER IS EMPTY! Lay your gear on top however you want it. Push down snugly and trace around your items using a marker. Then cut the foam carefully using a sharp razor/utility knife. We recommend you cut at least 3/4 of the foam for a handgun.



The more time you take to do this correctly, the better your gear will fit. Once you have your cutouts made, remove the adhesive backing and carefully place it into your flag, making sure it is lined up correctly. Now take the magnet that came with your flag and rest it inside the cutout area. Take the small screw that came with your magnet and

drill it into the magnet hole, attaching it firmly. The magnet provides more holding power for your firearms, this is necessary because of the way the flag is mounted and displays your firearms.

If you wish to purchase more magnets, we recommend doing so on Amazon - search for magnets with 25-40 pounds of pulling power to hold your firearm. After you get everything cut out, remove the adhesive backing and carefully place it in your shelf making sure it's lined up correctly.



NOTE: The more cavities you cut out, the less adhesive backing you will have to hold your gear in place. Overloading the flag is counterproductive - never exceed 15lbs of gear inside. This isn't a storage bin!

## Step 10: Safety Rules to Consider

1. Don't store your firearm with a live round in the chamber. Remember a tactical trap is not a safe; and although it's sturdy and well-built, it can be knocked off the wall or broken with enough force.

In the unlikely event of that happening your gun could send a round through your house after being dropped! Yes many new firearms are equipped with a drop safety to prevent this, but this is still something you should consider especially if you live in a home with children. You can take back a lot of things in life but a bullet is not one of them. Please remember that and be responsible when you store your gear.

2. Our products are designed to work with standard 2x4 or 2x6 wood construction walls that are 16" on center. Does that mean the shelf will not work on any other type of wall? Of course not, but the installation of this product on a different wall material (concrete, steel studs, etc.) will involve a different set of instructions and processes that vary depending on several factors.

If you plan on installing this product on a wall other than standard 2x4/2x6 wood construction wall, we suggest you hire a licensed contractor to do that for you.

3. Have a buddy help you install this product. I know it's tempting to just knock it out yourself so you can play with it. I get it, but it's critical that you install this correctly, and that's going to be pretty hard do with just one person. Remember we are storing firearms in this product and safety always comes first!

4. If you have children living in your home it would be a good idea to move your firearms into a locked safe when you are not home or by your Tactical Trap. Most children will not understand how to work the product, but it's better to be safe than sorry. Plus, the whole purpose of a Tactical Trap is for quick access and if you're not home or by the shelf... it makes no sense to leave your firearm inside of it.

5. Our products are designed to blend in as ordinary pieces of furniture and are strong enough to hold knick-knacks, candles, small vases, etc.... the normal items you might see on an ordinary shelf.

They are not designed to hold up a TV or anything heavy! Use common sense with decorating your shelf. If you think an item you want to place on your shelf might be too heavy... then it probably is. Also, don't store more than 15 lbs of gear inside the shelf. That's more than enough weight to hold a couple of handguns, spare mags and a flashlight.

6. Even though it takes around 300lbs of force to pry the shelf open...it is not intended to serve as a substitute for a government-regulated gun safe. A lock, any lock in the world including a bank vault can fail. Is it likely? No, but neither is lighting striking you, but it can happen. So if you have really young children living or visiting your home...mount the shelf high enough so they can't reach or hang on it. If you have older children living or visiting the house that you don't want messing around with your guns...take them out of the shelf when you're not home and lock them in a safe. Use common sense when storing your firearms and you'll be just fine.

## Step 11: Troubleshooting

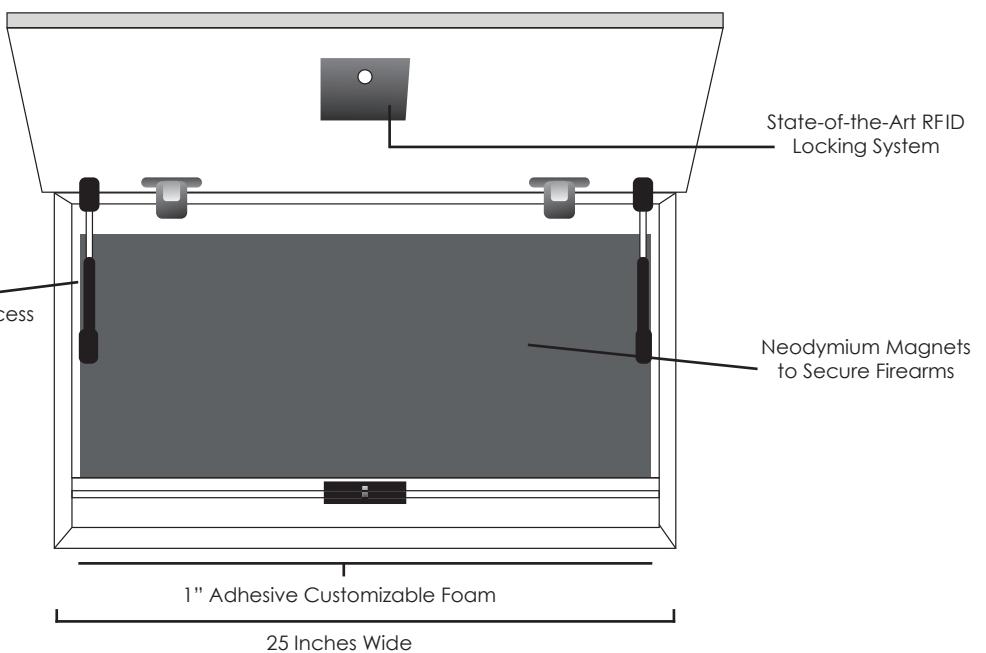
Q: My flag isn't 'popping' open after I scan the RFID card.  
A: When you first test opening the flag laying flat, it may not pop all the way up on its own. This is normal. It is engineered to 'pop' open when mounted on a wall. Have a friend hold the flag by the back as if it was on a wall, and then scan the card to test it. Make sure no fingers are near the top lid area as you do this.

Q: It's hard to close my flag.  
A: The dampers/struts are brand new and with time will open/close smoothly. They might be a little rough at first and require you to use gentle force to open/close the flag. This is normal.

Q: I need more magnets for my firearms, how do I get them?  
A: If you want more magnets, we recommend buying from Amazon. Search for magnets with 25-40 pounds of pulling power to hold your firearm. Remember to NOT overload your flag with too many items!

Q: How do I get a part that was missing from my order?  
A: Email support@tacticaltraps.com

Other questions not answered here? Check [TacticalTraps.com/faqs](http://TacticalTraps.com/faqs)



# Tactical Flag

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Congratulations on your decision to purchase a Tactical Trap. You've made a wise decision and we're grateful you've given us the opportunity to serve you as a customer.

If you have any questions about your product don't hesitate to contact our support team via email at [support@tacticaltraps.com](mailto:support@tacticaltraps.com).

## Step 1: Warranty Registration

Before you begin please take a minute and register your warranty by going to [tacticaltraps.com/warranty](http://tacticaltraps.com/warranty)

Do this now while you're thinking about or you run the risk of forgetting to do it later.

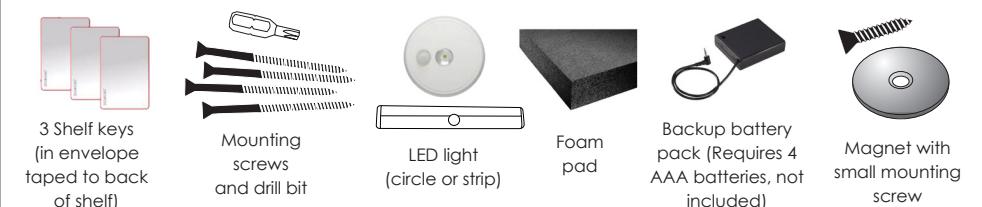
## Step 3: How The Tactical Flag Works

Your Tactical Flag is equipped with an RFID locking system and emergency battery backup. To open the flag, place any one of the keycards included over the orange sticker dot on the front of your flag. The lock will automatically disengage and your flag will 'pop' open.

You may need to manually help the flag top open at first - it is engineered to pop open when mounted on the wall and may not do that while laying flat.

## Step 2: What's included?

Included with your Tactical Flag should be...



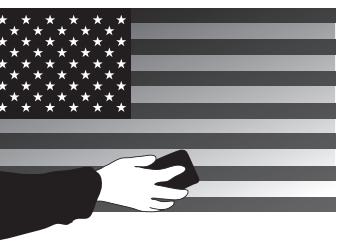
If your package is missing any of these items please email us at [parts@tacticaltraps.com](mailto:parts@tacticaltraps.com)

To close the flag, wait 3 seconds for the latch to automatically come back out and then just push the lower unit in place.

NOTE: All keycards work the same. The Manager card is used during programming by us. Pay no attention to the names of the cards.

NOTE: You can remove the orange sticker dot after you get used to where the trigger point to open the lock is located.

Also, the keycards included can be kept in your wallet or a nearby drawer, so you don't have to worry about misplacing them. DO NOT CUT the cards - it will deactivate them.



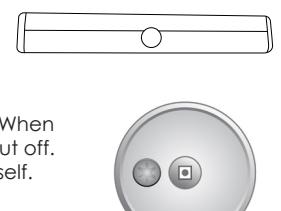
## Step 4: Batteries

The RFID lock runs on 4 AAA batteries that should be changed every six or so months, depending on use. To change the batteries simply remove the plate on the RFID and open the unit. Then remove the old batteries and replace with good quality new alkaline batteries.

IMPORTANT: When the lock battery gets low, you will hear a series of beeps when you place the key over the top of the shelf. When you hear that series of beeps... it's time to change the batteries.

## Step 6: LED light

The included LED light is motion detected, meaning there isn't an on and off switch. When the shelf is closed the light will shut off. When it opens it will turn on by itself.

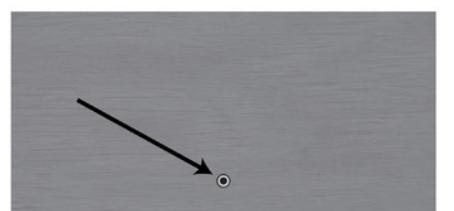


To mount your light, you will peel and stick either the long magnet (strip light) or the small round sticker (round light) on the top/inside of the shelf, making sure it's placed away from the lock. Both lights are upgraded versions; we send the style of light based on what our vendor has sent us.

## Step 5: Battery Backup Pack

If for some reason the batteries in your lock die before you change them - no problem! You can always get to your guns by using the battery backup pack that came with your purchase. Here's what you do:

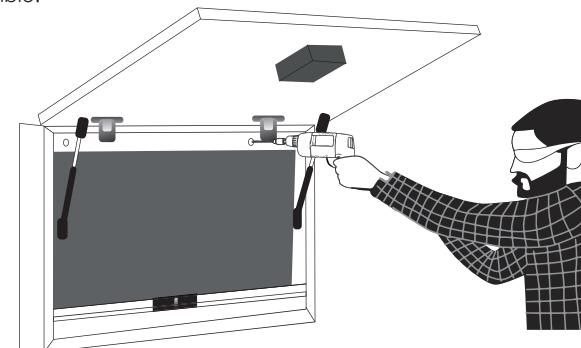
- 1.) Place 4 AAA batteries inside your battery backup pack.
- 2.) Locate the small auxiliary hole on the bottom of your shelf. Other units like flags, tables and coat racks will have the hole placed as discreetly as possible in other locations.
- 3.) Plug the backup pack into the hole as tightly as it will fit.
- 4.) Scan one RFID card over the locking mechanism (where the orange dot sticker was) just like you normally would, and your shelf will open.
- 5.) When your shelf is open, change your lock batteries.



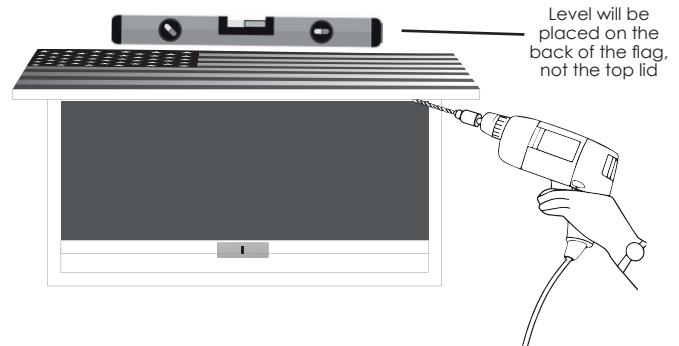
## Step 7: Tools Needed For Installation

1. Stud Finder
2. Tape measure
3. Pencil
4. Level
5. Drill
6. 1/8" drill bit (or use bit we included)
7. Safety glasses
8. Help from a buddy
9. OPTIONAL: Wall anchors (50lb)

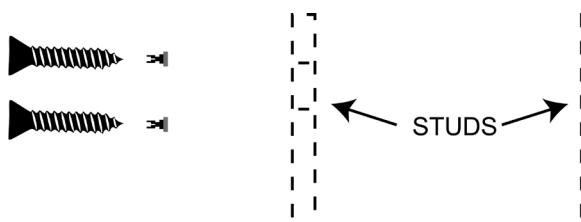
4. With help... pick up the flag and line up the pilot holes on your flag with the marks on the wall. Next, drive a one wood screw (2 inch length min) as close to 1/2 inch from the top of the wood mounting plate as possible.



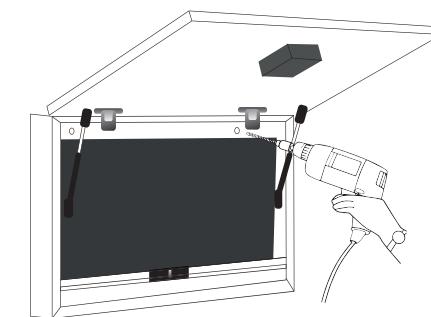
Once secured, level the flag and drill two pilot holes through the back.



Next, unscrew the flag from the wall and install the wall anchor backs to the wall (if you decide to use wall anchors).



One you have those in place, line up the holes in the flag with the marks in your wall and your wall anchors. Then screw the flag to the stud and wall anchors that you already installed.



We recommend two wood screws into the stud and two wall 50lb wall anchors on the other side. The flag should be tight against the wall and feel very sturdy. This is crucial - if the flag isn't tight against the wall, do not store your firearms in it.