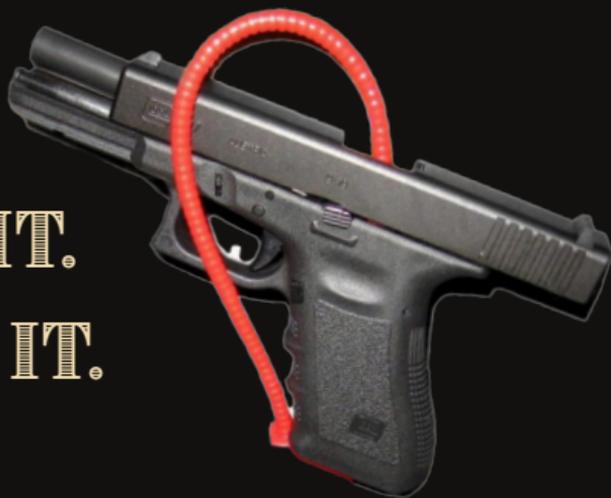


# SAFETY FIRST

LOCK IT.  
STORE IT.



**Properly securing firearms when not in use is the #1 way to help prevent theft, misuse, and injury.**

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Safe Storage is employing precautions and multiple safeguards that provide an additional barrier against unauthorized use. Safe Storage is the responsibility of every firearm owner.

- **Unloaded** firearms should be stored in a **locked** cabinet, safe, gun vault or storage case.
- Be sure to place the locked storage case in a location **inaccessible to children**.
- Unloaded firearms can also be secured with a **gun locking device** that renders the firearm inoperable. (*A gun lock should be used as an additional safety precaution and not as a substitute for secure storage.*)
- If firearms are **disassembled**, parts should be securely stored in separate locations.
- Store ammunition in a locked location **separate from firearms**.
- Always **re-check** firearms carefully and completely to be sure that they are **unloaded**.

# Keep Kids Safe!

Start the conversation in  
your home.

*Use the conversation tips below to start this important conversation with children.*

"Guns are not toys and should **never be played with.**"

"If your friend tells you about a gun he or she found, **tell an adult.**"

"If you find a gun, **leave it alone** and tell an adult."

"Even if a gun looks like a toy - **don't touch it!**"

"All **rules** for safe gun handling must be obeyed."

"**Never go snooping or allow others to snoop** for guns in the home."



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