



**30** ESSENTIAL  
Essential Model V30i

Instructions + Quick Setup Guide



## SUPPORT RESOURCE

### Online Support, Tutorials, and Troubleshooting

Scan QR code with your phone's camera or visit [vaulteksafe.com/support](http://vaulteksafe.com/support) and select your model.

## QUICK SETUP GUIDE

Follow these steps to get your safe up and running.

**Step 1: Install Three AAA Alkaline Batteries.** (Not Included)  
This safe uses three AAA Alkaline batteries and can be left plugged in continuously. Under normal usage, brand new batteries can last about 1 year.

### Step 2: Program the Master Code.

First time users should change the default code as soon as possible to prevent unauthorized access to your safe, so it should be kept confidential.

### Step 3: Program the Biometric Scanner.

Personalized access for up to 20 fingerprints.

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### Step 4: Register your Safe.

Registration provides many benefits including three year warranty, technical support, and ordering replacement keys should you misplace them.

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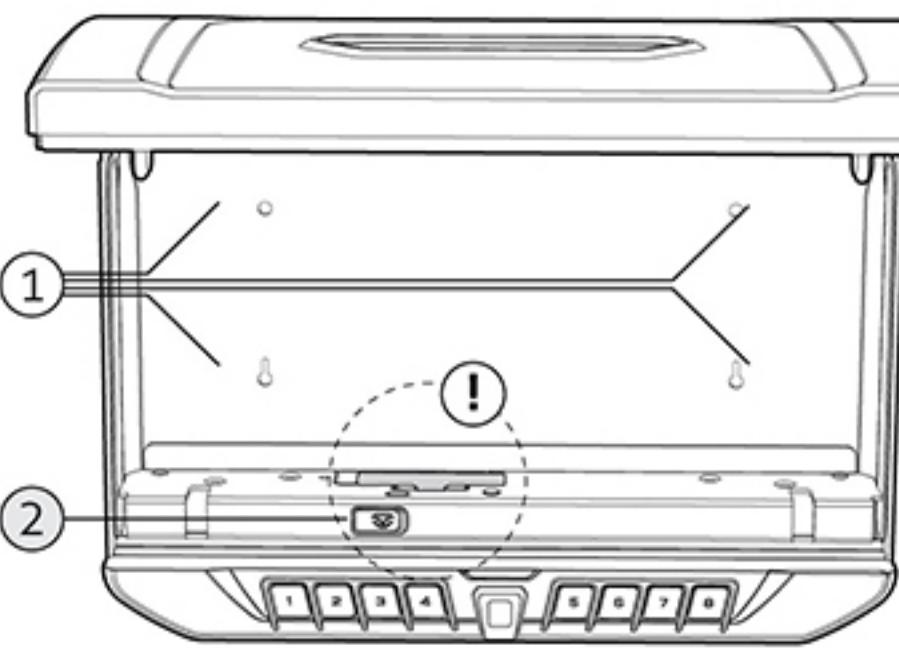
## WARNINGS

To prevent damage to your Vaultek® unit or injury to yourself or to others, read the following safety precautions before using this unit.

- **Before using this safe**, inspect the safe to make sure the lid latches properly. You can perform a quick test by using the included mechanical key. Open and close the safe 5 times. Do not use the product if you notice any problem or defect. Please email Vaultek customer support at [support@vaulteksafe.com](mailto:support@vaulteksafe.com).
- **Always check to make sure the safe door has latched when closing.** This safe uses a rugged latch system. When closing press firmly near the front center of the lid. Lid requires a firm press and will lock automatically when closed properly.
- **Change the default code as soon as possible to prevent unauthorized access to your safe.**
- **DO NOT** lose the keys.
- **DO NOT** place or store the backup keys inside the safe at any time.
- **DO NOT** store loaded guns in this unit. Firearms are serious in nature and must be handled with respect. Store responsibly.
- **DO NOT** lose the keys. The included keys are used to perform various functions such as performing a factory reset. Keep this product away from small children as the package contains small items that could become a choking hazard.

## AT A GLANCE

The Vaultek® 30 Series Essential safe V30i is a tough and rugged quick access biometric safe. Its solid structure and penetration resistant design makes it ideal for storing valuables such as firearms, jewelry, cash, and other personal items. Powered by three AAA Alkaline batteries, and optional plug-in power, the safe combines high security with complete access control.

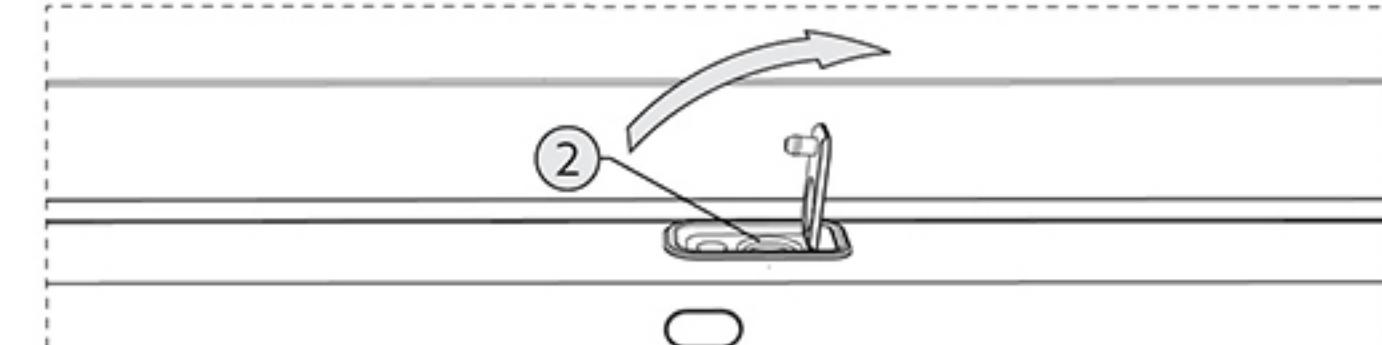


1: Pre-Drilled Mounting Holes

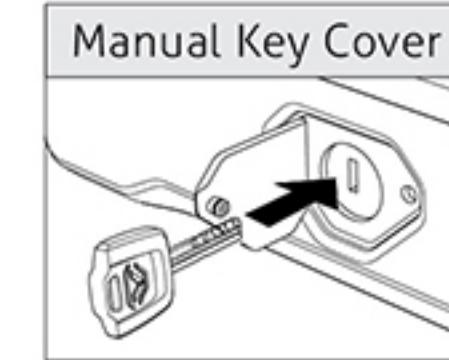
2: Program Button (Located Beneath Protective Cover)

3: Power Port

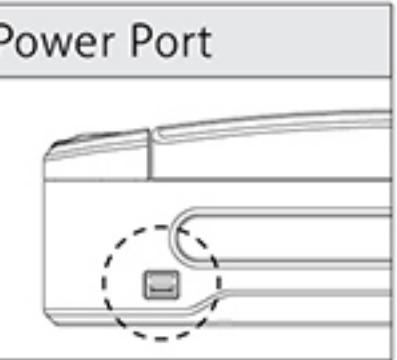
### ! Program Button Underneath Cover



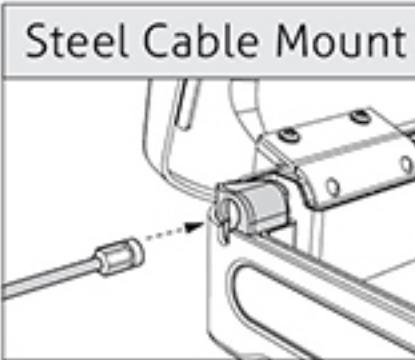
Manual Key Cover



Power Port



Steel Cable Mount



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When closing the lid press firmly to lock. **The lid requires a firm press and locks automatically.**

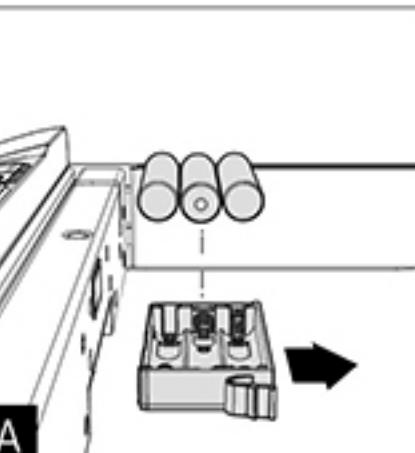
**Change the master code immediately to prevent unauthorized safe access.** Each time the default code is used, the safe's keypad will flash and beep until a new code is programmed.

## POWER

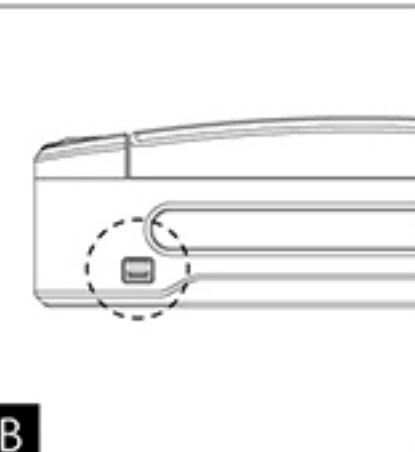
This safe is powered by three AAA Alkaline batteries that need to be installed. Under normal usage, brand new batteries can last about 1 year. The included backup keys can be used at any time.

### Battery Power

1. Open the safe. Key entry is located at front of the safe.



2. Remove the battery compartment located inside the safe and install three AAA Alkaline batteries (A). For optimal performance, we recommend Duracell/ Energizer or other reputable brands. Rechargeable batteries are not supported and may cause issues. Alkaline batteries only.



### Plug-In Power

In the event you lose the keys and the battery dies, plug-in the safe to a power source.

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## KEYPAD HOTKEYS

This safe has a set of settings accessible from the keypad hotkeys.

**Sound (Medium by Default):** To toggle the sound press and hold keys '1' and '3' together for 3 seconds.

If '2' glows red: OFF

If '2' glows green: Low

If '2' and '4' glow green: Medium

If '2', '4' and '5' glow green: High

**Interior Light Duration (10 Seconds by Default):** To set the interior light duration press and hold keys '3' and '5' then "Program Button" together for 3 seconds.

If '1' glows green: 10 seconds

If '1' and '2' glow green: 30 seconds

If '1', '2' and '4' glow green: 60 seconds

If all keys '1' to '8' glow red: OFF

The interior light will always stay on under AC power supply.

**Dual Entry Mode (OFF by Default):** If toggled ON, you will be required to enter your master code and fingerprint (and vice versa) to open the safe. This mode requires that at least one fingerprint be programmed in the safe and change the default master code before use. To toggle Dual Entry ON/OFF press and hold the '4' key then "Program Button" together for 3 seconds. The keypad will glow GREEN indicating this feature is ON or RED indicating OFF.

**Open Door Alarm (ON by Default):** This safe features an open door alarm that will sound when the safe door is left open for more than 10 minutes. To toggle press and hold keys '3' and '4' then "Program Button" together for 3 seconds. The keypad will glow GREEN indicating this feature is ON or RED indicating OFF.

**Unauthorized Access Alarm (ON by Default):** If enabled and someone opens the safe by picking the lock, the keypad will start flashing RED and beep for 8 seconds. To toggle press and hold keys '2' and '3' then "Program Button" together for 3 seconds. The keypad will glow GREEN indicating this feature is ON or RED indicating OFF. If ON and activated it can only be cleared by any authorized access method including the backup keys.

**Battery Status:** Press and hold the '5' key for 3 seconds. Keys '1' to '4' will glow GREEN or RED to indicate the battery level.

**Tamper Detection:** Press and hold keys '2' and '4' together for 3 seconds. The '3' key will glow RED to indicate tampering or GREEN to indicate no tampering. You can reset the tamper detection by opening the safe through one of the authorized entry points.

**Factory Reset:** Open the safe using the included key and leave the key turned all the way in the clockwise position. Press and hold keys '1' and '5' then "Program Button" together until the safe restarts. The factory reset will erase all programmed information and restores the safe to its factory default settings. The master code is rest to 1-2-3-4, and the safe will restart.

## MASTER CODE PROGRAMMING

### Programming Tips!

- Your code can be a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 8 digits. We recommend a code 6 to 8 digits in length.
- Avoid easy-to-guess digits such as 1234, 1111, 2222, etc.
- Two keys cannot be pressed simultaneously.
- Programming a new code will overwrite your previous code.
- Default master code is 1-2-3-4 on the keypad.

**1.** Open the safe. Press and hold the '1' key and "Program Button" together (3 seconds) until all keys (1-8) light up RED and let go.

**2.** Enter your NEW master code.

**3.** Immediately press and hold the '1' key and "Program Button" together a second time (3 seconds) until all keys (1-8) light up RED and let go.

**4.** Enter your NEW master code a second time.

**5.** Immediately press and hold the "Program Button" a third time (3 seconds) until the keypad flashes GREEN and let go. This indicates the master code has been successfully programmed.

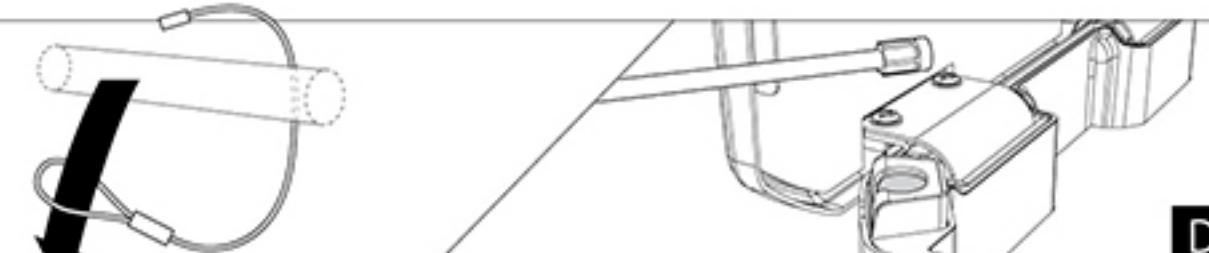
Repeat these steps to change the master code.

## SECURING THE SAFE

Your safe can be secured a few different ways.

**Steel Security Cable:** Included steel security cable.

**1.** Loop the security cable around a secured object. Run the end of the cable through the eye of the other end and pull tight around the object (C). Place the end of the security cable inside the fully enclosed quick release cable mount inside your Vaultek safe (D). Shut the safe drawer to lock the security cable in place.



**Pre-Drilled Mounting Holes:** Included mounting screws.

**Tip!** Make sure you have enough clearance for the lid to open properly before mounting the safe.

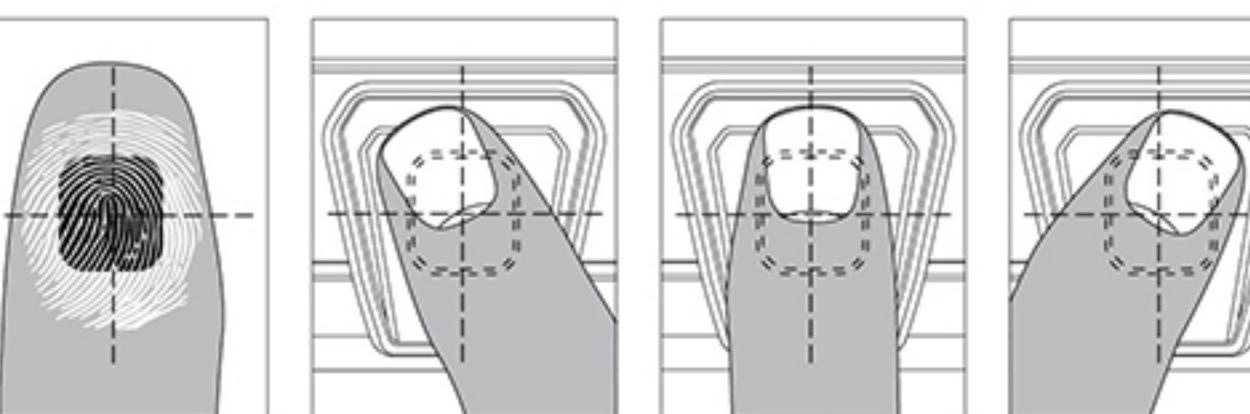
**Important!** Mounting the safe vertically so that the door flips upward will result in incomplete opening of the safe due to weight. The door will open if the safe is mounted vertically so that door opens down or to the side.

## BIOMETRIC SCANNER PROGRAMMING

The safe is capable of storing fingerprint data for up to 20 unique authorized users. The 1st and 2nd fingerprints will be recognized as administrative fingerprints and will be used to authorize additional users 3 to 20. Each fingerprint requires 5 registration scans to be enrolled into the safe.

### Programming Tips!

- Place the core of the fingerprint flat over the center of the scanner (this allows the scanner to read where most of the fingerprint detail is located).
- Rotate your finger slightly between registration scans to store print variations for increased accuracy.
- Excessive moisture, lotions, or dirt will affect your fingerprint and may cause inaccurate sensor reading.



### Programming Admin Print 1

**1.** Open the safe. Program 1st fingerprint by pressing and holding the '2' key and "Program Button" together. The LED ring around the scanner will turn solid RED and the '1' key will start blinking RED.

**2.** Using the programming tips below place your finger on the fingerprint scanner for the 1st of 5 scans. When the safe beeps and the '1' key lights up GREEN remove your finger.

**3.** Rotate your finger position and place your finger on the scanner again. You will repeat this process until all keys are solid GREEN.

**Troubleshooting!** If the LED around the scanner is YELLOW then refer to programming additional prints 3-20.

**Troubleshooting!** If you are having difficulty with your print, program the same fingerprint 4 or 5 times. You have 20 slots available for programming and you can also try your thumb as it has more surface area to read.

### Programming Admin Print 2

**1.** Repeat the above steps to add the 2nd administrative fingerprint.

To program additional fingerprints 3 to 20 reference the next section.

### Programming Additional Prints 3 to 20

The first two fingerprints programmed into the safe are the administrative fingerprints. Any additional users programmed require authorization from one of these fingerprints.

**1.** Open the safe. Program additional fingerprints by pressing the '2' key and "Program Button" together (3 seconds). The LED around the scanner will be solid YELLOW prompting you to scan one of the admin fingerprints.

**2.** Place either of the first two programmed administrative fingerprints on the scanner and remove when the safe beeps and the scanner blinks GREEN. When the '1' key starts blinking RED you can enroll a NEW fingerprint.

**3.** Place the NEW finger on the scanner. When the safe beeps and the '1' key lights up GREEN, remove your finger.

**4.** Place finger again over the scanner until the safe beeps and the '2' key lights up GREEN and lift. You will repeat this process until all keys are solid GREEN.

**Tip!** Repeat steps 1-4 to continue adding additional prints.

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**Delete Fingerprints:** This will delete all prints stored in the safe. Press and hold the '3' key and "Program Button" together for 3 seconds then enter the master code. The keypad will blink GREEN indicating deletion of all the fingerprints.

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