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## BOLT 7018517

# BOLT 7018517 Padlock Instruction Manual

Breakthrough One-Key Lock Technology for Early Model GM Keys

## INTRODUCTION

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The BOLT 7018517 Padlock is designed for convenience and security, utilizing your vehicle's ignition key to operate the lock. This eliminates the need for extra keys on your keyring. The padlock features patented BOLT Breakthrough One-Key Lock Technology, making it compatible with early model Chevrolet, GMC, Hummer, Buick, Cadillac, Oldsmobile, and Pontiac keys.

This manual provides detailed instructions for setting up, operating, maintaining, and troubleshooting your BOLT padlock.

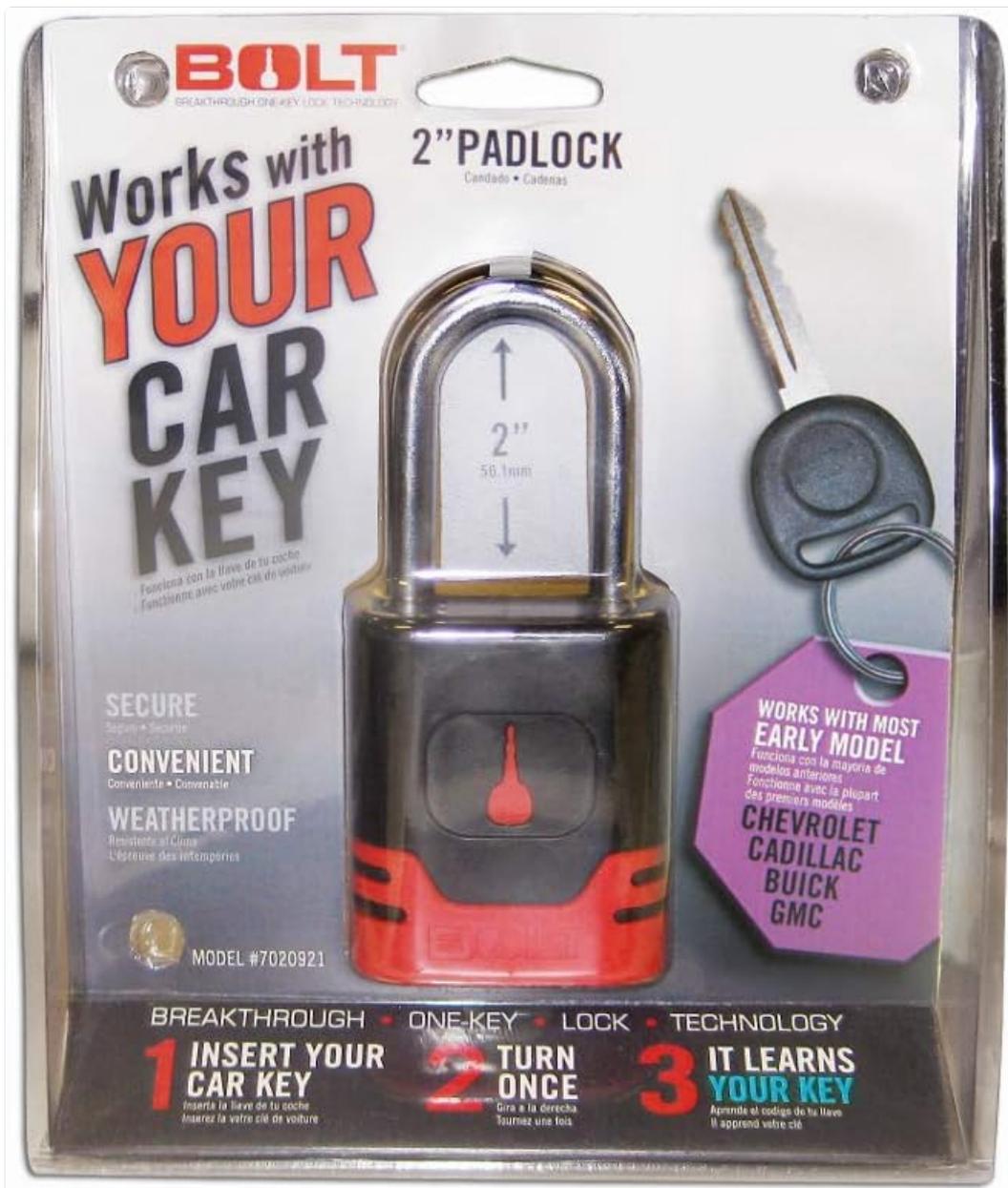


Image: BOLT 7018517 Padlock in its retail packaging, highlighting its compatibility with early model GM vehicle keys.

## KEY FEATURES

- **One-Key Convenience:** Operates with your vehicle's ignition key, reducing keyring clutter.
- **Durable Construction:** Features a 2-inch chrome-plated 5/16-inch diameter hardened steel shackle.
- **Weatherproof Design:** Equipped with a stainless steel lock shutter to protect against dirt and moisture.
- **Enhanced Security:** Includes a plate tumbler sidebar to prevent picking and bumping, and a double ball bearing locking mechanism.
- **Lifetime Warranty:** Backed by a Limited Lifetime Warranty.

## VEHICLE KEY COMPATIBILITY

This BOLT padlock (Model 7018517) is specifically designed to work with **early model GM keys**, including those for Chevrolet, GMC, Hummer, Buick, Cadillac, and Pontiac vehicles. It is crucial to ensure your vehicle key matches the compatible type for proper functionality.



Image: Visual guide illustrating the types of early model GM keys compatible with the BOLT padlock, and those that are not.

## SETUP: KEYING YOUR PADLOCK

The BOLT padlock uses a unique technology that allows it to be permanently coded to your vehicle's ignition key. This process is simple and only needs to be done once per padlock.

1. **Insert Your Vehicle Key:** Fully insert your compatible vehicle ignition key into the padlock's automotive-grade lock cylinder.
2. **Turn Once:** Turn the key clockwise until it stops. You will feel the internal tumblers move and set to your key's unique pattern.
3. **Remove Key:** Remove your key. The lock is now permanently coded to your vehicle key.

**Important:** Once the lock is coded to a key, it cannot be re-coded to a different key. Ensure you use the correct vehicle key during the initial setup.

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Video: Demonstrates the simple process of keying your BOLT padlock to your vehicle's ignition key. This video is provided by BOLT and shows the key insertion and turning process.

## OPERATING YOUR PADLOCK

After the initial keying process, operating your BOLT padlock is straightforward:

1. **To Unlock:** Insert your coded vehicle key into the lock cylinder and turn it to the unlock position. The shackle will release.
2. **To Lock:** Close the shackle firmly into the padlock body until it clicks into place. Ensure the shackle is fully seated for secure locking.

The BOLT padlock is versatile and can be used for various applications:

- Securing gates and storage sheds.
- Locking toolboxes and equipment.
- Protecting bike racks and trailers.
- Anywhere you would use a standard padlock.



Image: BOLT padlock securing a gate latch, demonstrating a common application.



Image: BOLT padlock used to secure a jerry can, illustrating its use for outdoor equipment.

## MAINTENANCE

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To ensure the longevity and smooth operation of your BOLT padlock, follow these maintenance guidelines:

- **Keep Clean:** Periodically clean the lock cylinder and shackle with a soft cloth to remove dirt and debris. The stainless steel lock shutter helps protect the internal mechanism.
- **Lubrication:** In harsh environments or if the lock feels stiff, apply a small amount of graphite-based lubricant or a silicone spray into the keyway. Avoid oil-based lubricants as they can attract dirt.
- **Inspect for Damage:** Regularly inspect the padlock for any signs of wear or damage. If the shackle or body is compromised, replace the padlock to maintain security.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

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If you encounter issues with your BOLT padlock, consider the following:

- **Difficulty Inserting/Turning Key:**
  - Ensure you are using the correct, coded vehicle key.
  - Check for debris in the keyway. Use compressed air to clear it if necessary.
  - Apply a small amount of graphite lubricant to the keyway.
- **Lock Not Closing/Clicking:**
  - Ensure the shackle is properly aligned with the locking mechanism.

- Apply firm, even pressure when closing the shackle.
- Check for any obstructions preventing the shackle from fully seating.
- **Lock Freezing in Cold Weather:**
  - While designed to be weather-resistant, extreme cold can affect any lock.
  - Try gently warming the lock with your hands or a non-flammable heat source (e.g., warm water, but ensure it's dried thoroughly afterward to prevent re-freezing).
  - Use a de-icing spray specifically designed for locks.

## SPECIFICATIONS

<b>Brand</b>	BOLT
<b>Model Name</b>	BLT7018517
<b>Item Model Number</b>	7018517
<b>Lock Type</b>	Key Lock
<b>Special Feature</b>	Keyable to your vehicle's ignition key (Early Model GM Keys)
<b>Material</b>	Alloy Steel, Stainless Steel
<b>Shackle Size</b>	2" Chrome plated 5/16" Diameter hardened steel shackle
<b>Item Dimensions (L x W x H)</b>	7.3 x 5.9 x 2.3 inches
<b>Item Weight</b>	1 Pound
<b>Color</b>	Black/Red
<b>Included Components</b>	Padlock
<b>Recommended Uses</b>	Trailers, gates, storage sheds and units

## WARRANTY INFORMATION

The BOLT 7018517 Padlock is covered by a **Limited Lifetime Warranty**. This warranty ensures that your padlock will be free from defects in material and workmanship under normal use for the lifetime of the product. For specific terms, conditions, and to make a warranty claim, please refer to the official BOLT website or contact customer support.

## CUSTOMER SUPPORT

For further assistance, product information, or support, please visit the official BOLT website:

**[BOLTLOCK.com](https://www.boltlock.com)**

You can also find additional resources and contact information on their website.

