

# EDC LOCKPICK SET



[http://www.sparrowslockpicks.com/product\\_p/eod-l-.htm](http://www.sparrowslockpicks.com/product_p/eod-l-.htm)

The lock pick set I recommend is comprised mainly of an EOD set made by Sparrows, along with your choice of any specialized hooks and tension wrenches, and a Peterson pry bar. I will briefly describe each and link any pertinent information to make this an easy to follow instructional.

**Notice:** It is recommended that you obey any laws and become aware of restrictions pertaining to lock picks, which vary state-by-state. A list of the most current state positions on owning and carrying lock picks [can be found here](#). This by no means should be an absolute reference, and due diligence on your part is expected. Stay legal.

## Links to lock pick vendors

[Peterson Manufacturing](#)

[Sparrows Lock Picks](#)

## The Contents

I have field tested and experimented with various picks and decided on a light, strong and thus far, reliable set which is very thin and will fit inside just about any pocket.

The bulk of the pick set is comprised of the EOD Light kit from Sparrows. I also added an extra, standard hook with a comfortable handle, and the “pry bar” tension wrench from Peterson. Finally, rounding off this kit, are two padlock shims, which can be purchased through just about any vendor.



The selection of picks is heavy on raking tools as it is generally the fastest method of picking a lock. The kit also has a shank (marked with “EOD”) for bypassing locks with an exposed prawl.

## Individual Components

Components added to the EOD kit or tested are listed below and linked:

Tension Bar – [Sparrows](#) (Price \$12 for the set)

Tension Pry Bar – [Peterson](#) (Price \$10.00)

Short Hook, with handle – [Sparrows](#) (Price \$5.75)

Padlock Shims – (Price varies. Affordable. Find your own.)

## Additional Resources and Extended Information

You may wish to make your own picks or shop elsewhere. For additional information and resource links, visit the forum [HERE](#) to find out more.

If you are deciding on purchasing from Peterson, bear in mind they generally only deal with professional locksmiths and military/law enforcement. If you feel you do not qualify, or if you have any doubts, please only order from Sparrows. The Peterson EDC kits are more expensive and are made in America, but I do not prefer most of their picks over what is offered at Sparrows. Plus, the picks I have tested from Sparrows are of the highest quality and it's a bonus they are affordable, too. Try to bear in mind they are a Canadian company, and shipping may not always be fast, although I have had my shipments come from Sparrows within three days and no problems developed.

I did not directly link padlock shims because you can find them through most vendors, even on Amazon. They are typically sold in bulk quantity, and tend to cost around ten dollars. Shims are disposable, made of very thin metal. They can last longer than one use, and I recommend practicing with them and keeping a couple in your kit. Some shims come with rubber padding, but it can be easily removed for easily fitting inside your kit when laid flat. The steel will spring back or can be bent to suit the padlock as needed. If you feel you do not need shims, it's not a deal-breaker. You can function without them.

**STAY LEGAL!** Always practice on your own locks. Do not break the law.