

Patchbox Latches, Catches & Springs



Push rod with brass or iron button end.

Catch spring, with integral latch. File the catch and latch. as low as possible, to engage and retain the lid, tightly latched when fully closed. See the drawing for hook positions.

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#PB-RK-TOW-B release kit & spring \$22.50

Patchbox Release Kit, for a fine longrifle.#PB-RK-TOW-B or I This high quality patchbox release kit is made for use with brass,

iron, or nickel silver patchboxes. The kit includes four precision steel parts, two unplated steel screws, and illustrated instructions.

The end of the catch has a square shank, to prevent rotation in its hole in the lid. Drill and countersink the lid, insert the square shank, and carefully peen and round the end, permanently riveting it to the lid, concealing the square shank. The catch is made too long. File a tightly positioned notch, and bevel the end before installation.

The catch spring has a blank end. File an appropriate hook to fit the notch you file in your catch. See the drawing above. Made with an integral spring, you may thin the spring by filing it, not too much.

The long flat spring is called a "kick open spring". Concealed under the head of your patchbox, it will throw the lid open each time the release is pressed.

Precision steel parts, such as these, are expensive. Made with your choice of a brass or steel release button, it is appropriate to use a steel push button release on your brass, nickel silver or iron trimmed longrifle. Select an iron or brass button.

Fine longrifles are made from quality parts, like these.		
#PB-RK-TOW-I	release kit & spring, iron button	only \$22.50
#PB-RK-TOW-B	release kit & spring, brass button	only \$22.50
#PB-RK-Fine-DS	replacement door spring	only \$ 8.99
#PB-RK-Fine-VS	replacement "V"spring	only \$ 8.99



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Inexpensive steel springs to make your patchbox easier to install: long spring, .032" tempered steel **#PB-Spring-L #PB-Spring-O** oval spring, .014" anealed soft steel

#PB-RK-Wood sliding wooden patchbox catch, pointed \$8.99

Wooden Patchboxes

#PB-RK-Wood-D sliding wooden patchbox, with screw hole \$9.99



#Screw-6x1/2 steel wood crew. 6 x 1/2", flat head only \$.20



#Screw-6x1/2-0 steel wood crew, 6 x 1/2", oval head only \$.20

Wooden Patchbox Release Lever #PB-RK-Wood, or Wood-D This nail shaped latch spring can easily be fitted to a groove in the underside of your sliding wooden patchbox cover. Drive it into a pilot hole, or retain it with a screw or pin.

It functions as a spring catch, engaging its single tooth as it rides over a notch in the buttplate, until the spring drops. Lifting the domed oval end releases the catch, allowing you to retract the patchbox cover. This was a popular way to retain the wooden butt trap lid in the closed position, on Germanic Jaeger rifles and pre-Revolutionary War era American longrifles. Temper blued steel, ready for use.

#PB-RK-Wood latch for wooden patchbox, small end **only \$8.99 #PB-RK-Wood-D** latch for wooden patchbox, domed end **only \$9.99**

Unplated steel wood screw, #6 x 1/2", slotted, flat head, for patchbox or toeplate. Steel screws are correct for longrifles, not brass screws. steel wood screw, #6 x 1/2", flat head only \$.20 #Screw-6x1/2 #Screw-6x1/2-O steel wood screw, #6 x 1/2", oval head only \$.20

Use our 3/32" pins for barrel lugs, rod pipes, and triggerguards. #Pin-3/32 dowel pin, 3/32" tempered steel only \$.50