



# Frequently Asked Questions



**Q: What is the BEST T Series?**

**A:** The BEST T Series consists of the 8T, a grade 1 tubular deadbolt, and the 6T, a grade 2 tubular deadbolt. The BEST 8T is an American made lock that was launched in 1984. There are two Grade 1 requirements that the 6T does not meet that are related to the strength of the product in resisting attack by pulling or applying torque to the outside cylinder.

**Q: In what type of applications is the T Series primarily used?**

**A:** As a standalone, the T Series can be found in applications such as rest stop and state park bathrooms as well as storage rooms. The T Series deadbolt is often commonly used in conjunction with cylindrical locks to provide an extra level of security. This opens up the T Series to the same cylindrical lock customer base which includes commercial office spaces, residential applications, etc. The 8T would be used over the 6T when there is a greater need for security and more specifically, a deadbolt that is more resistant to brute force attack. The 8T is also available with lead line options, making it a good solution for radioactive doors (MRI, x-ray, etc.) in health facilities.

**Q: Does the T Series fit the standard door prep?**

**A:** Yes, the T Series fits the standard door prep (161).

**Q: How long does it take to install the T Series?**

**A:** Once the door is prepped, installation is a simple 3-step process: Step 1: Install tube assembly; Step 2: Install outside trim with thru-bolts; Step 3: Install inside trim. The entire installation process takes an average of 2 minutes. Since the T Series has only three sub-assemblies, and our packaging is designed with the installer in mind, installation for the T Series product can be done quickly, efficiently and accurately ultimately reducing install related errors and call-backs.

**Q: What door thickness range can the T Series accommodate?**

**A:** The T Series comes standard to fit 1 3/4" thick doors. The 8T can be ordered to fit 1 3/8" – 3" thick doors. The 6T can be ordered to fit 1 3/8" – 1 3/4" thick doors.

**Q: What backsets are available for the T Series?**

**A:** The T Series can be ordered with a 2 3/8" or 2 3/4" deadbolt tube assembly. The standard faceplate for a 2 3/8" backset deadbolt tube assembly is 1" in width and the standard faceplate for a 2 3/4" backset deadbolt tube assembly is 1 1/8" in width. However, a 1 1/8" faceplate (WF) is available to order with the 2 3/8" backset deadbolt tube assembly and a 1" faceplate (NF) is available to order with the 2 3/4" backset tube assembly. In addition, a drive-in bolt is available on the 8T. The drive-in bolt requires less door prep, is quicker to install, and can be used on both wood and steel doors.

**Q: What unique options are offered on the T Series to make it less susceptible to break-ins?**

**A:** The T Series can be ordered with a high security strike. The purpose of this strike is to protect the door frame. The wood door frame is usually the first item to splinter in the case of a break-in. When used in conjunction with a steel door frame, the door becomes extremely difficult to break into. The T Series is available to order with a concealed screw option. This enables the device to have no exposed screws on the trim. Not only is this aesthetically-pleasing, it also provides a higher resistance against tampering.

**Q: What cores must be used for the T Series?**

**A:** The T Series accepts any SFIC (Small Format Interchangeable Core).

**Q: What functions are offered for the T Series?**

**A:** The 8T is available in 3 single key functions (i.e., K-Turnknob, L-One Way no turnknob & L-One Way turnknob), 1 double-keyed function (i.e., M-Double Cylinder) and 1 nonkeyed function (i.e., KL-Closet turnknob and blank rose). The 6T is available in 2 single key functions (i.e., K-Turnknob & L-One Way no turnknob) and 1 double-keyed function (i.e., M-Double Cylinder) and KL- Turn x Blank.

**Q: What finishes are offered for the T Series?**

**A:** The 8T is available in 9 finishes: Standard (626, 690), Satin (606, 612, 613, 619), and Bright (605, 611, 625). An antimicrobial coating can be added to 626. The 6T is available in 1 finish: Standard (626).

**Q: What is the lead time for the T Series?**

**A:** The average lead time for the T Series is less than 2 weeks.

**Q: What warranty does the T Series have?**

**A:** The T Series has a 3 year warranty.

**Q: What is the T Series list price?**

**A:** Refer to BEST Price List for T Series pricing.

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