

XHAUSTR USER MANUAL AND SAFETY GUIDELINES

FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT USE ONLY

This manual is to offer instructions, best practices and important safety warnings. Please read through the entire manual and safety guidelines before attempting to use any XHAUSTR product. If you have any questions about installation or removal, contact XHAUSTR before use.

This product is intended to be one of many tools and techniques available to trained law enforcement personnel to address a potentially fleeing vehicle. Persons and/or agencies deploying this device have the responsibility to carefully consider the circumstances, alternative courses of action available, and the consequences of choosing this product over other means of detaining or tracking a suspect.

XHAUSTR Industries does not warrant or protect against any harm or injury caused by XHAUSTR products, either to the person deploying the product, the suspect, or to third parties or property as a result of the XHAUSTR deployment, including any damage to the vehicle on which the XHAUSTR is deployed. **By deploying the XHAUSTR, the User Agency accepts all liability from the use of any product.**

The XHAUSTR system is for use by trained law enforcement personnel only. Any purchasing individual or agency must not transfer or sell any XHAUSTR product to any other person or agency. If any such transfer is made, the transferring agency and individual are responsible for all criminal and civil liability and consequences that may occur.

The XHAUSTR is intended to prevent the target vehicle from moving by disrupting the normal and necessary intake and exhaust cycle of a combustion engine. Repeated testing has shown this to be safe and effective under many different circumstances. Because of variations in individual vehicles and, in particular, the integrity of their exhaust system, it is possible that the XHAUSTR will not stop some vehicles entirely, or that it will take a longer-than-usual time for the vehicle to completely stall. The user agency and personnel should be prepared for this possibility, including the deployment of a back-up system or method(s) if appropriate.

Important Note: When a vehicle stalls, the power steering and brakes may be impacted. This can cause the driver of the vehicle to have difficulty steering and/or stopping. There is potential for the vehicle to continue moving and/or not be able to steer. Always consider traffic, pedestrian proximity, and other factors that may make it unsafe to cause a car to stall.

Testing has shown that XHAUSTR devices can be used multiple times as long as it has not suffered unusual damage or wear and tear. It is recommended that the device be returned to be refurbished after five uses or if it becomes damaged. XHAUSTR devices should be refurbished once every year.

A mini-torch is included with kits to allow the outer sleeves of the devices to be re-sized after expansion. This allows for multiple uses before needing to return the devices for refurbishment. Please be very cautious with the mini-torch as it can cause severe burns.

The XHAUSTR has been tested repeatedly and used successfully in varied situations with a variety of different vehicles. These tests and successful deployments have proven safe and effective. However, there are certain procedures that must be observed during installation and removal.

Prior to deployment, take steps to determine if the exhaust system to which you wish to install the XHAUSTR is hot. If it is, take precautions by using appropriate protective gear.

Tightening the XHAUSTR to sufficient levels is the key to its success. Tighten device as much as possible using the tools provided - the tighter it is, the better the seal.

Use the appropriate size XHAUSTR for the tailpipe. The XHAUSTR should be expanded so that it fits snugly into the tailpipe prior to tightening. You may need to pre-expand the device prior to insertion to allow for friction inside the tailpipe to tighten.

Prior to the target vehicle being started, make sure no one is standing in close proximity.

Before removal of the XHAUSTR, ensure that the vehicle is off and that it cannot be started again during the removal process.

When starting the removal process, take precautions against heat from the exhaust system and/or the XHAUSTR and avoid breathing in any vehicle emissions that may still remain.

Press the bleeder valve prior to the removal of the XHAUSTR. Failure to do so may cause the device to be expelled from the pipe upon loosening it.

Be prepared with appropriate traffic control measures to address a stalled car that may be in a dangerous or inconvenient position.

Consult your agency's policy/procedures and all legal statutes related to the deployment of vehicle disabling devices and/or to the detainment of suspects and their vehicles.

DO NOT forget officer safety – the decision to utilize the XHAUSTR and the method of installation does not take priority over officer safety.

DO NOT stand directly behind a vehicle with an XHAUSTR installed or when the vehicle is running or going to be started.

DO NOT attempt to deploy the XHAUSTR on any vehicle that is already running or that might be started during installation.

DO NOT disassemble the XHAUSTR or try to repair it. Please contact us to arrange for a replacement or refurbishment.

DO NOT use the XHAUSTR if it becomes damaged or torn.

XHAUSTR was designed by Cops for Cops. We want to make sure the good guys have a good day and the bad guys have a bad one. Don't hesitate to contact us with questions or concerns that can help us help you.