


# LA GARD MECHANICAL


Group 1, Group 2 & Group 2M Locks

## OPERATING & CHANGING INSTRUCTIONS

### OPEN LOCK WITH THE FACTORY COMBINATION

LA GARD mechanical locks are shipped with the factory combination of 50. Open using the OPENING Index:

4 x  Turn dial to the LEFT (CCW) passing "50" three times. Then stop exactly on the number "50" the fourth time.

 Turn the dial to the RIGHT (CW) until it stops and the bolt retracts.

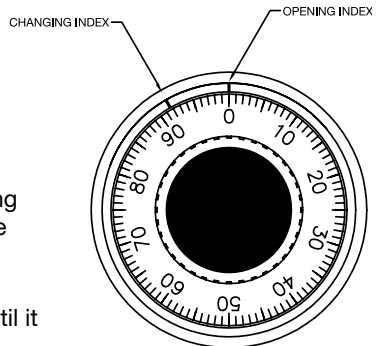


Figure 1

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**NOTE:** Variations in the alignment of the dial ring during installation could cause the Factory Combination of 50 to vary slightly, either up or down by one or two numbers.

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**NOTE:** If using the VisionGard Dial (2085 or 2090 Series) and a lock with the factory combination, the lock will open on 47.

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**NOTE:** When dialing a combination, if you passed the number on which you intended to stop, you cannot reverse the dial to correct. The opening procedure must be repeated from the beginning.

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### SET COMBINATION

To change the combination, you will need to know the existing combination and have a LA GARD change key (P/N 1307).

**CAUTION:** When selecting a combination, choose a three number sequence from 0 - 99. NEVER select numbers 0 to 20 as the LAST NUMBER of the combination. This is the "Forbidden Zone" and can cause the lock to malfunction. For security purposes, do not select a combination from personal data such as birth date, phone number, etc.

1. Dial the existing combination using the CHANGING Index. (Figure 1.)
2. STOP the dial on the third number of the combination.
3. Insert the change key into the change key hole. (Figure 2.)

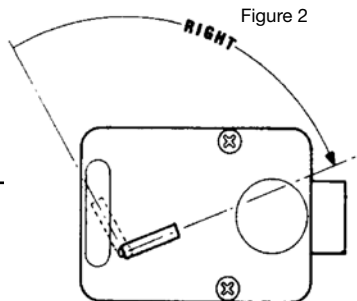


Figure 2

GROUP 2&1 COMBINATION LOCKS

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**NOTE:** *If the change key does not go in easily, the wheels are not aligned. Repeat steps 1 - 3.*

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4. Turn the change key to the RIGHT (CW) one-quarter turn until the key stops. (Figure 2.) Leave the change key in the lock while setting the new combination.
5. Next turn the dial to the LEFT (CCW) at least four complete rotations to clear the lock. The lock is now ready to accept the new combination.


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**CAUTION:** *Do not spin the dial to clear the lock.*

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6. Set the new combination using the CHANGING Index:  
EXAMPLE COMBINATION: 10-20-30

4 x  Turn the dial LEFT (CCW) passing the first number in the combination (10) three times. Then stop exactly on the number "10" the fourth time.

3 x  Turn the dial RIGHT (CW) passing the next number in the combination (20) two times. Then stop exactly on the number "20" the third time.

2 x  Turn the dial LEFT (CCW) passing the last number in the combination (30) one time. Then stop exactly on the number "30" the second time.


7. Hold the Dial to prevent movement and turn the change key to the LEFT (CCW) one quarter turn.
8. Remove the change key. The new combination is now set.


**ALWAYS perform the combination test with the safe door open!** Test the new combination several times using the opening procedure below.


### **OPEN LOCK WITH A SET COMBINATION**


Dial the set combination using the OPENING Index.

EXAMPLE COMBINATION: 10-20-30

4 x  Turn the dial LEFT (CCW) passing the first number in the combination (10) three times. Then stop exactly on the number "10" the fourth time.

3 x  Turn the dial RIGHT (CW) passing the next number in the combination (20) two times. Then stop exactly on the number "20" the third time.

2 x  Turn the dial LEFT (CCW) passing the last number in the combination (30) one time. Then stop exactly on the number "30" the second time.

 Turn the dial to the RIGHT (CW) until it stops and the bolt retracts.

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**NOTE:** *When locking the safe, always turn the safe handle to the locked position (bolts extended) before turning the lock dial four complete rotations to the LEFT (CCW) to relock. If you notice any resistance, DO NOT force the dial to turn. This may cause damage to the lock.*

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