

# **Getting Started**

Congratulations on your purchase of a Dominator Safe®.

Use this guide to assist you in getting your safe setup and working to help secure your valuables.

### **Unpacking your safe:**

It is important to take care while unpacking your safe, as there will be an accessories box and some important information attached to the packaging material. You should receive:

- Fixing bolts
- Shelf brackets (where applicable)
- Battery (safes fitted with electronic locks only)
- Code change tool (safes fitted with mechanical combination locks only)
- Keys (safes fitted with key lock, or with internal lockable compartment only)
- Warranty registration card
- Safe lock operating instructions (electronic and mechanical locks only)

If you are missing any of the above, please contact your Dominator Safes® dealer for replacement.

### **Factory settings**

From the factory, each of the electronic and mechanical combination safe locks used on Dominator Safes will be preset to the relevant factory code. You will need to use this code to open the safe for the first time, prior to setting your own code.

- LaGard Basic electronic safe locks "1 2 3 4 5 6"
- LaGard Groups 2m mechanical combination locks All 3 numbers set to "50"
- Home Safes electronic safe locks "1234" (may require pressing the 'enter' or 'lock')

#### Installation

While many Dominator Safes are very heavy, it is <u>always</u> recommended that you correctly install the safe as per its intended design, by fixing to walls, floors or setting into the floor.



Dominator Safes® are supplied with fixing bolts suitable for each safe, however you may be required to purchase alternate fixing bolts or accessories for some installation methods or locations.

Installation can be either a do-it-yourself project, or by a professional safe installer through a certified Dominator Safes® dealer. Proper installation is vital and may be the difference in keeping your valuables protected. If you are unsure, you should seek professional advice from a Dominator Safes® dealer.

### Code changes

Different safe locks will use procedures to change the code, as well as having different functions and features. See the enclosed instructions for the safe lock included with your safe.

Some basic, but important rules to follow when changing codes:

- Makes sure the safe door is <u>open</u> throughout the change procedure. This will allow access to the inside of the safe door in the event of a mistake.
- Try not to use obvious number configurations as part of your code. It is very common for people to use birthdates, anniversary dates or other 'obtainable' numbers when thinking of a code. It is more likely that someone could obtain your code if you use these types of numbers.
- Don't share your code with anyone that does not require access to the safe.

## **Troubleshooting**

While all Dominator Safes® are designed with the intention of being as user friendly as possible, incorporating the best and most reliable safe locks available, there are times where you may be unsure about the operation of your safe. Listed below are a couple of helpful tips for some of these instances. If you are still unsure, you should contact your Dominator Safes® dealer.

- If you experience problems with an electronic safe lock, <u>always</u> try a new battery. Even brand new batteries can sometimes be faulty or low on power. Always make sure to use Duracell Alkaline batteries where possible.
- If your mechanical combination lock will not open on the correct code, ensure
  you are using the correct method of dialing up the code. Good quality
  combination locks can be unforgiving if you are even slightly off the number
  you need to open the safe, so ensure to locate the exact number.