## Wilderness Tactical Belt Size

# **Measuring Instructions**

Most of our belts are sized by a true measured belt size to the nearest single inch, not a two inch range or generic small, medium, large, etc. We ask that you put a cloth tape through the belt loops of the pants that you would normally wear the belt with, pulling as tightly as you typically pull a belt, and measure to the nearest single inch. If you regularly wear an in-the-waistband holster and mag pouches, we recommend you place them in your pants for measuring.

Ideally, the hook fastener material on the belt tab should center evenly in the loop fastener material area on the belt body. From an ideal fit you will then have an 1¾" of adjustment in each direction. This is usually enough of an adjustment to cinch down for something heavy on the outside of the belt, or loosen the belt for an in-the-waistband holster. If your I.W.B. holster is for a particularly thick gun, you may want to assume an extra inch.



You can also measure by laying your leather belt out flat on a table, and measure from the inside edge of the buckle away from the hinge to the hole that you currently use. Measure to the nearest single inch as shown. It is important that the inside length of the buckle be included in the measurement. Please do not assume the size shown on your current belt is correct.

#### Measure this distance



Measure to the hole you use to secure your buckle

It is most common for a belt size to be 2"-3" larger than a pants size. This is because a pants size is a measurement of you, while a belt size is a measurement of you with a layer of fabric (your pants) wrapped around you.

If you would like any assistance in the measuring process, please feel free to call us. A quick call is easier and cheaper for everyone than a belt exchange.

## Proper Belt Use for Safety, Durability

Our belts are very tough but must be used properly according to the included directions. The operator MUST thread the belt tab properly through the buckle and around the floating bar (Instructor Belt) or between the rings (Frequent Flyer, Ring Belt) before fastening with the Velcro® (see pictures below). The hook-and-loop fastener is only to retain the loose end from flopping around; the buckles are designed to secure the belt. They will quickly lose their stitching and be destroyed if the buckle is improperly used. With proper threading our belts should last for years. Of special importance, the Velcro® securing the end tab has no load-bearing capability on its own and the safety function of the Instructor Belts will be completely undermined if improperly used.

We recommend cleaning any lint or particles out of the hook and loop Velcro® once in a while to extend its life and maintain its adhesive abilities.

### **Hook and Loop Fastener Repair and Refurbishment**

When Velcro® does eventually wear out with normal wear, we have a refurbishment program to replace it for a nominal fee. We can also build a new belt on an old Wilderness buckle with a \$10.00 credit for recycling your buckle (\*buckle is not refinished). We must give you a return authorization number by phone for all returns and repairs. RA#s cannot be issued via e-mail; please call us toll-free at 1-800-775-5650.