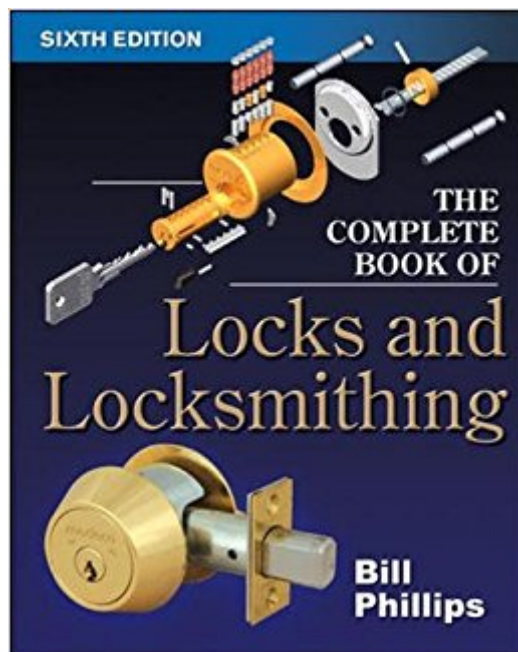




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Bill Phillips is the leading author of locksmithing books, including this best-selling classic. He also wrote McGraw-Hill's Locksmithing, a part of the Craftmaster series, and the Complete Book of Electronic Security, also from McGraw-Hill. Mr. Phillips is the author of the "Lock" article in the 1998-2005 editions of the World Book Encyclopedia, and has written hundreds of security-related articles for professional and general-circulation periodicals, including Home Mechanix, Los Angeles Times, Consumers Digest, and others. He is president of the International Association of Home Safety and Security Professionals.

This is the standard by which the C28 Lock and Security Contractor Exam is based. The rest of the C28 uses California Building Code, NFPA 80, and NEC. There are only a few things are deeply disagree with Mr. Phillips on, even though I have only been a Locksmith now for less than a decade, I cannot use graphite in modern locks. It is not only a conductive substance its messy, turns to mud

when moist, and I just don't think its a useful lubricant beyond old mortise locks which effectively encase all that graphite within the door. Finally, the wiring diagrams leave alot to be desired and the rectifier and transformer pictograms in the silent strike diagram, for example, is on the state test but it is a really sloppy diagram. Perhaps it is purposely obfuscated to make it harder to guess what components are what. Maybe as a journeyman Locksmith in the 21st century I am spoiled but there isn't nearly enough about trim, exotic and upscale, high tech, IoT, bluetooth, cracking, hacking, or Information Security. Bill's going to have to mention Kali Linux and Prox hacking, newer Automotive technology, etc. to stay relevant.

Great book and very detailed in labeling and diagramming the internal mechanisms of a "Typical" Home door lock. I have a good 2 year experience at assembling locks and switching the cores for new key replacements and reshaping the metal nubs. This book was a good refresher on some techniques I missed out on. I mainly got this book to get a better understanding of how to open door locks more efficiently with power tools, and be more aware of the variety of locks available out there. Some of the locks illustrated in the book are almost 10 years old and some people say those locks are outdated. But just because a certain lock is outdated doesn't mean it's no longer in use. Some people are resistant to changing their locks, and the longer they keep their old locks means lock smiths need to have a good variety of knowledge of all the locks out there in circulation. A great book to read. Its spread out like a Physics Textbook starting off with vectors and then bringing you into the meat of the lock. No actual Physics Math required, but some knowledge on torque is a must. I have considered other books such as: >>> Practical Lock Picking, Second Edition: A Physical Penetration Tester's Training Guide HOWEVER, the reviews were very contradictory and seems to convince readers into buying "specialty" tools made by the author or some specific lock maker with tools up to \$300. TL:DR; For Power-drilling through locks, a certain sized drill-bit is required and long enough to go "almost" straight through. The Idea is to destroy how it can "ID" a key. I won't spoil too much of the fun of breaking through locks this way, as the book explains it more thoroughly in context and technique. LOVE THIS BOOK.

Great book if you want to learn the in's and out's of locksmithing. Yes this book can be used for nefarious purposes, but that's not what my intention was. Everything about locks, and locksmithing is laid out very astutely in this book. Get it if you want to know how your door works, among other, more complicated locks.

this book does not have any useful information other than some of the history and structure of the locks. not helpful to a locksmith. specially there is no information on automotive lock or programming. "complete book" on the title is misleading

Good book I am currently an apprentice took it upon myself to read this book, and I don't regret it. I have def, learned things and details that my boss of 40 years in the field could not teach me. Maybe it's he's old age or he just didn't know...lol either way worth every penny I spent :)

This is a fantastic reference book on locksmithing and very useful in my daily work as a Facilities Locksmith.

this is a good book to get if you want to learn the inner workings of locks,it has a good bit of detail ,pictures and charts.its worth a look if you want to get into lock smithing or lock picking.

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