Blueline Industries always recommends officers follow their department’s policies and procedures for arrest, search and transportation of prisoners.

Remember that a thorough search of a suspect that you are about to put in your car is vital to your safety. You are looking for the smallest ‘crack rock’, razor blade or handcuff key.

Seatbeltlock is not designed to take the place of handcuffs. The device is to prevent the prisoner from unlocking their seatbelt and moving around the vehicle or kicking out a window.

If you are transporting a prisoner in handcuffs Seatbeltlock should always be used.

The distributors of Seatbeltlock recommend that the lock is installed on all backseat seatbelts. Unused belts with SEATBELTLOCK should be buckled to prevent the prisoner from using the tab of the unoccupied seatbelt to tamper with the handcuffs.

If your vehicle has ratcheting seatbelts, pull the shoulder strap all the way out until it clicks then allow it to rewind snugly against the prisoner. This will prevent the belt from loosening during transport.

When removing the prisoner from the seatbelt, use the same procedures to protect yourself as you use with a standard seatbelt. For additional information see ‘Transport Procedures’.