

WML SELECTION CHECKLIST

5 Questions Before You Buy a Weapon-Mounted Light | GunCarrier.com

Use this checklist before you purchase any weapon-mounted light. Work through the five questions in order. Your answers determine which platform is right for your specific host, holster, and use case.

SECTION 1 — 5-Question Use-Case Filter

QUESTION 1

Q1 — What is your host firearm?

- Full-size pistol (Glock 17, M&P; 2.0 Full, SIG P320 Full)
- Compact pistol (Glock 19, SIG P365, Walther PDP Compact)
- Long gun — AR-platform carbine or pump shotgun
- Multiple hosts (I need more than one light or a dual-use solution)

Note: Your host determines the mount system. The TLR RM 2 is Picatinny only — it does not fit pistol rails.

QUESTION 2

Q2 — Does a quality holster exist for your pistol + light combination?

- Yes — I have confirmed at least two Kydex makers for this combo
- Not sure — I have not checked yet (stop here and verify before buying)
- No — I will use this light for home defense only, not concealed carry

Note: No holster = range accessory, not a carry system. Check PHLster, Dara, Tier 1 Concealed, and Safariland before purchase.

QUESTION 3

Q3 — What is your primary use scenario?

- Indoor home defense at under 15 yards (bedroom, hallway, garage interior)
- Outdoor property defense or extended range (driveway, rural perimeter, outbuilding)
- Concealed carry in urban or suburban environments (parking lots, retail, transit)
- All of the above — I need a system that covers multiple scenarios

Note: Indoor at under 15 yards: prioritize lumens (flood). Outdoor or extended range: prioritize candela (throw).

QUESTION 4

Q4 — What is your power strategy?

- Rechargeable only — I will charge the light on a fixed schedule
- Multi-fuel — I want a rechargeable daily driver with CR123A as a backup
- CR123A only — I prefer a single dependable disposable battery source

Note: Multi-fuel (rechargeable + CR123A backup) is the reliability floor for a defensive firearm. Single-source rechargeable is a single point of failure.

QUESTION 5

Q5 — Will you train the integration before carrying?

- Yes — I will perform at least 50 draw-activate-reholster reps before carry
- I will schedule a dry-fire and live-fire session with the light installed
- No — I plan to carry immediately after mounting (not recommended)

Note: A WML not yet integrated into your drawstroke is not part of your defensive system. Get the reps in first.

SECTION 2 — Verified Spec Comparison Table

Specs confirmed directly from streamlight.com as of June 2026. Verify current specs at the manufacturer's product page before purchase.

Model	Lumens	Candela	Battery	Host Fit	Mount
TLR-1 HL	1,000	20,000	2x CR123A	Full-size pistols + long guns	Universal + Picatinny
TLR-7X	725	9,500	CR123A or SL-B9 rechg.	Compact pistols (G19, P365)	Rail grip clamp
TLR RM 2	1,000	22,000	2x CR123A	Picatinny long gun only	MIL-STD-1913 Picatinny

Runtime: TLR-1 HL — 1.5 hr on CR123A | TLR-7X — 1.5 hr (CR123A) / 1 hr (SL-B9) | TLR RM 2 — 1.5 hr LED / 3 hr strobe

SECTION 3 — Holster Compatibility Reminder

TLR-1 HL (Full-Size Pistols)	Safariland 7TS series, Dara Holsters, PHLster Floodlight, CrossBreed SuperTuck Light-Bearing, Galco Combat Master LB
TLR-7X (Compact Pistols)	PHLster Pro, Dara AIWB, Tier 1 Concealed Agis, Safariland 7378 7TS, Werkz M6, JMCK designs
TLR RM 2 (Long Guns)	No IWB holster required. Verify rail and mount fitment with your carbine or shotgun handguard before purchase.

Always verify holster availability for your specific pistol and WML combination before purchasing the light. Holster availability changes as new pistol platforms and WML models are released.

SECTION 4 — Authorized Dealer Sourcing

Streamlight weapon-mounted lights are available through the following authorized dealers. Purchasing through an authorized dealer protects your manufacturer warranty and eliminates the risk of counterfeit or commingled product documented in this product category.

Dealer	URL	Notes
Brownells	brownells.com	Authorized Streamlight dealer. Free shipping thresholds apply.
OpticsPlanet	opticsplanet.com	Authorized dealer. Frequent coupon codes available. Free 2-day shipping on select models.
Streamlight Dealer Locator	streamlight.com	Find local authorized dealers by zip code. Confirms dealer authorization status.

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