

## HOLSTERS

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Your holster for 3 Gun needs to retain your gun during rigorous physical activity. Choose one that has a retention device. This is not USPSA where the speed of the draw can be the deciding factor on a stage.

Loaded guns that are lost during a stage and fall from the holster will end your day of shooting and rightfully earn you a DQ. An example was at the Midwest 3-Gun a couple years ago. The shooter began his first stage of the match with a loaded handgun in the holster and shooting a rifle. While moving to the right with the rifle he dislodged his handgun which hit the dirt, match DQ, the end, pack up and go home.

At the minimum your holster should have the ability to adjust for a friction fit. The Blade Tech holster common in USPSA handgun will work well but I suggest that you tighten up the screws.

If you are going to spend the money on a major match at the tune of 250 to 300 dollars and travel out of state, spend the money on a holster that may save your match. Look around at the local match. You will quickly see who knows what gear works. Those shooters will have a retention holster. If you have been shooting 3 gun for a couple of years, it is probably time to invest.

Here are a few choices of what I consider the best options for 3 Gun.

Safariland ALS or SLS -- The price is around 100 dollars. This is what I use because it is the same as my work holster. If I were to buy again I would really look at the G-Code.

Blade Tec WRS -- The price is about 120 dollars

G-Code XST -- The price is under 100 dollars. The G Code may be the most durable and economical holster I have scene.

Blackhawk Serpa -- The price is around 75 dollars.