

HOW TO Mount Red Dot Sights: 3 EASY Tips...

...To Always Remember When Mounting Your Optics

Hi! RDshooters here,

Are you wondering how to properly mount a red dot sight?

If you are...then this is the article for YOU!

Now, understand first that this is primarily a guide for mounting an optic on an AR 15.

HOWEVER! Most of this advice can really translate to mounting **reflex sights** on any firearm.

So with that said, let me share with you my TOP 3 TIPS to always remember when mounting a red dot sight...

Tip 1: Use Threadlocker On The Screws Of Your Mount...



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When you fire your rifle, vibrations run along the body of your gun.

Now, these vibrations can sometimes cause screws from your accessories to work their way loose.

Loose screws will cause your optic to shift when your rifle is being fired, and you'll LOSE ZERO!

This is obviously a huge problem for you because if your optic won't stay completely still, you won't be able to achieve any consistent accuracy.

BUT! There's a SIMPLE solution to this problem...

All you have to do is apply a little bit of threadlocker to your screws when mounting your sight.

This will LOCK them solidly in place and you'll have NO WORRIES that your optic will wiggle its way loose as you fire your rifle.

I Recommend Using Blue Loctite...



I like to use **Blue Loctite** for sight mounting because...

it does an outstanding job of **SOLIDLY** holding your sight's screws in place.

At the same time, it allows you the ability to back out your screws easily...

when you want to remove your optic from your firearm.

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WARNING!

You need to **STAY AWAY** from the Red Loctite!

Red Loctite is for permanently locking screws in place, and you **NEED** to have the option of taking your sight off of your firearm for maintenance, cleaning, and several other reasons.

BONUS!

I recommend you use Blue Loctite on the screws of ANY accessories you mount on your rifle.

This includes light mounts, Back Up Iron Sights (BUIS), Vertical Fore Grips, and anything else you want to attach to your firearm.

Tip 2: Push Your Sight Mount Forward When Tightening It Down...



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Here's the deal, any accessories mounted to your rifle will try to work their way forward as you shoot.

The reason for this is SIMPLE...

When you fire your rifle, the gun jolts back under recoil, but your optic (and any other accessories) wants to remain in its current position because of inertia.

Now, because the slots on your rifle's picatinny rail are a little bit wider than the mount's screw that sits in them...

...there is some back and forth play when the sight is being mounted to the gun, and it's pretty easy to wiggle it forward and back when the screw is not tightened down.

So Here's What You Need To Do...

As I said, before you tighten down the mount of your sight, you should be able to wiggle it forward and backward on the rail.

Use that play to push the whole sight forward.

Tip 3: Mount Your Red Dot On The Forward Half Of Your Top Rail...

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I RECOMMEND you mount your optic in a more forward position on your rifle's top rail.

You see, unlike a magnified scope, **red dot sights** don't have eye relief.

So, you can put your head as close or far from sight as you want, and you'll still have no problem seeing through the optic.

This is a significant benefit to using a reflex sight because if you put in the training, it'll allow you to shoot with explosive speed, and you'll have a remarkably wide range of vision.

For these reasons, I think its important to take advantage of your optic's unlimited eye relief by mounting it further away from your face.

I see too many shooters mounting their red dots right up next to their eye, as if it where a magnified scope that required it.

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But with a reflex sight that is completely unnecessary, and it actually deprives you of several PRACTICAL advantages, like...

A Greater Field Of View...

With your sight mounted further forward, you'll be able to see far more of what's going on down range as your shooting.

This is called situational awareness, and it's incredibly important when you're trying to shoot with speed and transitioning between multiple targets.

Mounting Back Up Iron Sights Behind Your Optic...



When you mount your optic more forward, you give yourself more rail space behind your sight.

Now, even the most reliable **red dot sights** still run on batteries...

and everyone knows that batteries will eventually fail.

So, it's a good idea to mount Back Up Iron Sights (BUIS) behind your optic.

Mounting A Magnifier Behind Your Optic...

Reflex sight's are incredibly quick when shooting up close, but they can be limited when you're trying to shoot at distance.

As I said before, a more forward mount gives you rail space behind it.

Aside from BUIS, you can also mount a magnifier behind your optic...

and a magnifier can transform your reflex sight in to a powerful tool that helps you shoot at further

distances.

In The End, Here's A Quick Checklist YOU Can Use When You Mount Your Sight...

I used threadlocker (BLUE Loctite) on all of my screws. CHECK!

I pushed forward on my mount as I tightened it down. CHECK!

I mounted my optic on the forward half of my rifle's top rail. CHECK!

That's it! Your sight is mounted properly and you're READY TO GO shooting!

Now, if you're still looking for a red dot, but haven't decided on which one to buy...

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Then I highly recommend the Holosun HS503c...

I think it's by far the **best red dot sight for the money**, and...

...if you're interested, you should check out my full review by clicking the link below:

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Farewell, and have fun at the range!

-RDshooters