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## The Travel Sentry Success Story

Travel Sentry was publicly launched on November 12, 2003 when the first *Travel Sentry® Approved* lock went on sale.

In January 2003 the U.S. government mandated that all checked baggage would have to remain unlocked to facilitate inspection; that is until the inception of the Travel Sentry system. The standard created by Travel Sentry, and now used by virtually all major lock and luggage companies, was created to solve the dilemma that passengers want to lock their baggage yet need to give access to government security screeners.



Born out of cooperation between the travel goods industry and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Transportation Security Administration (TSA), Travel Sentry was almost instantly the "must have" travel accessory. Accepted and recognized by the TSA, as well as Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs in the U.K., the Travel Sentry lock standard is today used by such globally recognised brands as **Global Travel Products**. Travel Sentry locks are available as key or combination padlocks supplied in a variety of colours and styles.

The locks are different from previous luggage locks in three essential ways:

- 1. Each lock carries the distinctive Travel Sentry red diamond alerting security agents that they can open these locks without breaking them;**
- 2. Each lock carries a special code, which identifies to the security agent how to open the lock;**
- 3. Each lock has a built-in override device, which is used to open and relock baggage without damage.**

In the years since its inception, the number of lock and luggage companies producing *Travel Sentry® Approved* locks has grown dramatically and the locks are now available at virtually every major retailer and specialty luggage store globally. With tens of millions of locks sold around the world, savvy travellers to the U.S. have also taken the system on board. *Travel Sentry® Approved* locks are now one of the most popular travel accessories in Europe and the UK as well as Japan and throughout Asia and have become the "new standard" for securing travellers' luggage.



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