Shifter 101 FAQ's

- Q. How do I know what shifter will work for me?
- A. SideWinder Shifters are ordered based on the automatic transmission that is being used. After determining the base shifter part number, numerous options are available to dial in the shifter to fit specific needs.
- Q. What does the shifter come with?
- A. The base SideWinder Shifter will come with a black plastic console, a sixty-inch cable, and a transmission specific install kit.
- Q. Do the shifters work with transmissions other than what is listed?
- A. Maybe. We suggest talking to a transmission specialist about pairing a shifter to a transmission that is not listed in our catalog. In most of these cases, it is up to the installer to create brackets so that the transmission operates correctly. We do not recommend modifying our brackets or shift arms to make the transmission shift correctly.
- Q. How do I know what gate plate I need?
- A. Gate plates are separated by specific transmission. They are then broken down into two groups, standard or lockout. From there, you can determine the style of gate plate you need for your project. We offer a stock and reverse gate plate for all of the SideWinder shifters, and a rock crawler gate plate for a select few.
- Q. I want a stock style plate but I have a reverse valve body in my transmission, can I get a gate plate to match?
- A. The shift patterns on our gate plates are decals, this allows the customer to mix and match standard and reverse patterns on the gate plates to work with each individual project they may have. Any stock gate is available with a reverse pattern decal by adding the letter "R" to the end of the part number. Any reverse plate is available with stock pattern decals by adding the letter "S" to the end of the part number.
- Q. Where can I find the dimensions of your shifters?
- A. In our catalog. For an online copy visit www.wintersperformance.com. Click on the catalog button, and download the Automatic Transmission Components catalog.
- Q. What options are available for your shifters?
- A. A full list of options can be found in our catalog including gate plates, mounting options, safety switch options, and cable lengths.

- Q. Can the shifters be converted to work with a different transmission than what they were originally built for?
- A. Yes, as long as the replacement transmission is listed in the catalog. This involves purchasing a new install kit, and possibly a new gate plate.