

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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# TVL Security extends Ford Pro partnership with upgraded Transit Custom Van product packs

TVL Security has once again been selected by Ford as an official enhanced equipment provider, extending a working relationship which started in 2018 through the supply of its products for the newly revamped Transit Custom van model.

As with the vehicle manufacturer's existing Transit portfolio, customers can opt for their new Ford Transit Custom vans to be factory-fit with award-winning TVL Security technology, minimising delays and guaranteeing the additional products installed fully meet Ford's factory finish quality.

Laura Moran, Managing Director, TVL Group, says: "We're delighted to extend our already hugely successful partnership with Ford, and are immensely grateful it recognises the value our products bring to protecting its customers and their livelihoods.

"Through these efforts, Ford customers can rest assured that their new vehicles arrive from the factory with all the security features they require, ensuring they can immediately hit the road with confidence."

TVL Security has worked with Ford Pro for several years with its patented high-security antipick cylinder RepLock™ solution, which prevents the driver's door from being picked open, having been available as a factory fit option since 2018.

Ford customers can also specify three additional TVL Security developed options, including:

- The SlamHandle Security Pack, featuring LatchShields on the rear and side load doors and automatically locking doors
- The HookLock Security Pack, including a front door LoomGuard, deadlocks on the driver and passenger doors, and hook locks on the side and rear doors
- The ArmourShell Security Pack, that offers the same benefits as the HookLock option but with the added visual deterrent of external semi-automatic locks on the side and rear doors, with anti-drill inserts and a hardened steel locking bolt

These TVL Security packs have also been upgraded with each now featuring extra protection around key vehicle components, while new pack options are also available.

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For instance, for the first time, customers selecting the HookLock or ArmourShell packs can choose to apply these upgrades to either the cabin or the load area individually, allowing for more flexible build optimisation.

TVL's LatchShield – previously included only in the SlamHandle pack by default – is now also part of these two packs as standard, while all three packs now also include a LoomGuard, ensuring greater baseline security for all Ford customers opting for TVL's additional protection.

Two new matte-black lock escutcheon designs have also been developed, ensuring lock cylinders are flush to the cover regardless of whether the cylinder protrudes from the door skin.

Designed by the TVL Innovation team – led by TVL Group owner Tony Powell – in partnership with Ford Pro engineers, each pack also includes RepLock as standard. Likewise, all Ford customers have access to the Ford-Pass Pro app, which complements the vehicle's physical security features with real-time alerts if it detects someone trying to access the vehicle.

TVL Security manufactures the products at its headquarters in Brentwood, Essex, and ships them to Ford's assembly plant in Kocaeli, Turkey, where they are fitted to the vehicles before being delivered to customers.

For more information, and to select the right security options for your business, visit: https://www.ford.co.uk/shop/build-your-ford/

## **ENDS**

### **Notes to Editor**

TVL Security is part of TVL Group, a privately owned business founded in 2012 and based in Brentwood, Essex. The company designs and manufactures leading vehicle security products supplying directly to vehicle manufacturers and the automotive market. Customers range from sole traders and SMEs to major fleets and vehicle manufacturers including Ford, which now offer factory-fit options for TVL Security products.

<u>TVL Group</u> is a vertical supplier operating in the UK supplying to the global automotive industry with business including vehicle security, precision engineering, metal fabrication, powder coating and van accessory installation.

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