



# How To Use A Jockey Box

A “Jockey Box” is a transportable draft beer system that serves crisp, cold, perfectly carbonated kegged beer. Jockey boxes are easy to set up, easy to use and very easy to move.

Your Devil’s Canyon jockey box kit comes with everything you need to serve cold, crisp beer anywhere. The kit includes a cooler box, beer line, stainless steel coils, shank, faucet, CO2 regulator, CO2 tank and beer line connectors.

Often called a “coil box” or “cold plate box,” the word “jockey” comes from “jockey around,” meaning that these systems are easy to move from place to place.

History Lesson Over – Let’s Pour Some Beer!



## Step 0 – Slow Down, Cowpoke! Do Not Put Ice or Water In The Jockey Box Yet!

1. Connect the CO2 bottle to the jockey box air line using the quick disconnect fitting.
  - a. Pull back and hold the female side, insert the male side, release.
2. Fully open the valve on the top of the CO2 bottle. (Lefty Loosey, Righty Tightly)
  - a. Do not fiddle, monkey-with or otherwise adjust the CO2 settings, we have already calibrated it for you.
3. Connect the coupler(s) to your keg(s). (aka Tap It!)
  - a. Lower the coupler into the keg neck, twist clockwise, push the lever down to lock into place.
4. Fully open the taps on your jockey box one at a time and run the clear liquid out until you see beer.
  - a. Just pour the clear liquid into the jockey box, we’ll be adding ice in a moment.
5. That was quick. Ok, add ice and some more water to the jockey box.
  - a. It is important to add both ice and water - not just ice - so the cooling coil is chilled properly, and your beer pours properly. The whole coil or chilling plate must be submerged in the ice water. Fill the jockey box completely with ice and water for the best pour.
6. It is helpful although not totally necessary to keep your keg on ice and keep the whole setup in the shade - especially on a hot summer day. Basically, avoid letting the keg get warm.

## How To Pour the Perfect Foam-Free Beer:

1. Get a keg of your favorite Devil’s Canyon beer or Root Beer, follow the directions above.
2. Place your glass about an inch or two under the faucet at about a 45 degree angle. DO NOT let the glass or the head of the beer make contact with the faucet at any point.

3. When you open the tap to pour a beer, open it quickly and fully. Do not open it sloooooowly, or “open-close-open-close-open-close” it, or open it partially. All of these actions will cause you to pour a glass of foam. Be decisive but gentle.
4. Let the beer cascade down the side of the glass. Lick your lips. Gradually tilt your glass upright as it fills.
5. Close the tap quickly and deliberately. (Still decisive but gentle.)
6. Drink. Revel. Repeat.

### **When You Are Done with the Jockey Box:**

1. Disconnect the couplers from the kegs.
  - a. Lift the lever up, turn counter-clockwise, and lift out of the keg neck.
2. Close the valve on top of the CO2 bottle. (Still Righty Tightly!)
3. Disconnect the quick-disconnect fitting on the CO2 line.
4. Sigh. Shuffle feet. Lovingly load the gear in your vehicle and bring it back to the brewery for the next lucky person.

### **Need Help?**

We are typically not at the brewery evenings and weekends so calling isn't really an option, but hopefully this document will be all you need. If that fails please visit our website: **DevilsCanyon.com** where we have links to some helpful troubleshooting sites →

#### **Advice and Tips**

- [Draft Beer Balance Reference](#)
- [Draft Beer Keg FAQ](#)
- [How To Use A Jockey Box \(PDF\)](#)
- [Professional Draft Beer Guide \(PDF\)](#)
- [Tap Tail Directions \(PDF\)](#)

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