

Streamlight PT 2L Flashlight

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Last week I received a Streamlight PT 2L LED flashlight. I had heard good things about the PT1 AA from Streamlight but did not like the low output of the PT1 (40 Lumens) so opted for the PT 2L. In my experience, hand held lights run on AA batteries do not have the run-time that lithium battery lights do nor the output. The 2L runs on (2) Lithium 123 batteries and provides a max output of 180 lumens with a run time of 2.5 hours on max output. The 2L offers three specific settings, high, low (18 lumens) and strobe via the clickie tail cap. I kind of wish these settings could be adjusted in some other way than the tail cap but for the price of \$45 + shipping for a 180 lumen multi-setting LED light I cannot really complain.



The light comes equipped with a solid black spring steel pocket clip and non-roll bezel. It is slightly over 4.5 inches in overall length and $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch in diameter. The tail cap is recessed, which is not really to my liking since it makes it very difficult to utilize the light in the Rogers/Surefire shooting technique due to the difficulty of actuating the light in that grip. But, this is a great little light for every day carry or to store in a go-bag or vehicle.



Streamlight PT 2L below Surefire 6P





Surefire 6P output hot spot on left

Streamlight PT 2L output hot spot on right



Conclusion

This light is real good. Other than the minor problem of the recessed tail cap and the method in which the variable settings are adjusted it is rock solid having endured several drop tests on concrete and being submerged in my sink full of water for 5 minutes. The most attractive feature is the price of \$45 for such a high output, well made tactical light. I know a lot of guys/gals who complain that they would like a decent LED to carry but all the “Tactical” lights are too over-priced and not worth the money. I can see their point and I believe Streamlight has provided the market with one excellent option for under \$50.

Price: \$45 + Shipping

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