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U.S. Coin Capsule & Holder Size Chart

Official U.S. Mint & standard bullion diameters paired with PVC-free Air-Tite & Guardhouse sizes

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COIN OR BULLION SERIES	DIAMETER	CAPSULE / HOLDER SIZE	FIT NOTES
1 oz American Silver Eagle (1986–Date)	**40.6 mm**	40 mm / 40.6 mm (Model H40.6 / XL)	Does NOT fit 38 mm Morgan holders
1 oz Generic Silver Round (Buffalo, etc.)	**39.0 mm**	39 mm direct-fit or ring-fit	Standard private-mint 1 oz round size
Morgan Silver Dollar (1878–1921)	**38.1 mm**	38 mm direct-fit or ring-fit	Same diameter as Peace & Ike dollars
Peace Silver Dollar (1921–1935)	**38.1 mm**	38 mm direct-fit or ring-fit	38 mm direct-fit or foam ring for tight lock
Eisenhower Dollar (1971–1978)	**38.1 mm**	38 mm direct-fit or ring-fit	Fits Large Dollar capsules & tubes
1 oz Canadian Silver Maple Leaf	**38.0 mm**	38 mm direct-fit or ring-fit	Thicker 3.29 mm planchet — verify depth
1 oz British Britannia / Austrian Philharmonic	**38.6 / 37.0 mm**	39 mm / 37 mm ring-fit	Use ring-fit for snug zero-rattle fit
1 oz American Gold Eagle ($50) & Gold Buffalo	**32.7 mm**	32 mm / 32.7 mm direct-fit	Fits Model H32 / Large EvoCore
Saint-Gaudens & Liberty $20 Double Eagle	**34.0 mm**	34 mm ring-fit capsule	Archival acrylic + inert ring
Half Dollars (Kennedy, Franklin, Walking, Barber)	**30.6 mm**	30 mm / 30.6 mm ring-fit or 2x2	All modern & 90% U.S. half dollars
Small Dollars (SBA, Sacagawea, Presidential)	**26.5 mm**	26 mm / 26.5 mm direct-fit	Fits 26 mm capsules & tubes
Quarters (Washington, State, Park, Standing, Barber)	**24.3 mm**	24 mm direct-fit or ring-fit	Standard U.S. quarter diameter
1/4 oz American Gold Eagle ($10)	**22.0 mm**	22 mm direct-fit or ring-fit	Fits Model A22 / 22 mm ring-fit
Nickels (Jefferson, Buffalo, Liberty V, Shield)	**21.2 mm**	21 mm direct-fit or ring-fit	All 5-cent U.S. nickel series
Small Cents (Lincoln & Indian Head Penny)	**19.0 mm**	19 mm direct-fit or ring-fit	Inert acrylic slows copper spotting
Dimes (Roosevelt, Mercury, Barber, Seated)	**17.9 mm**	18 mm direct-fit or ring-fit	All 10-cent U.S. dime series
1/10 oz American Gold Eagle ($5)	**16.5 mm**	16 mm direct-fit or ring-fit	Fits Model A16 / 16 mm ring-fit
Certified Slabs (NGC & PCGS Standard)	**Encapsulated**	Slotted 20-slab box or display easel	Guardhouse Falcon 20-slab & 30-slab boxes

3 Archival Storage Rules (PVC-Free)

- **Avoid soft vinyl flips:** Plasticized PVC off-gasses hydrochloric acid that leaves green sticky haze on silver and copper.
- **Use inert plastics only:** Acrylic (Air-Tite / Guardhouse EvoCore), Mylar, polypropylene, or polyethylene.
- **Handle edges only:** Hold uncirculated and proof coins by the rim over a soft pad; never clean or dip collectible coins.

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