FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Murphy Brian Daniel	2. Date of Event Requiring Stater Month/Day/Yea 08/09/2018	ment	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN OUTDOOR BRANDS CORP [ AOBC ]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2100 ROOSEVELT AVENUE			Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director 10% Owner		(Month/Day/Year)			
			X Officer (give title below)	Other (spec		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
(Street)			See remarks	ks		X Form filed by One Reporting Person		
SPRINGFIELD MA 01104						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City) (State) (Zip)								
-	Table I - Nor	n-Derivat	ive Securities Beneficiall	y Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		Beneficial Ownership		
Common Stock		40,011(1)	D					
(e.			e Securities Beneficially ( ints, options, convertible		s)			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		d 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr.		4. Conversion or Exercise	Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiratior Date	n Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
Performance Rights	(2)	05/01/2021	Common Stock	9,800	(2)	D		
Performance Rights	(2)	05/01/2022	2 Common Stock	28,800	(2)	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Includes (i) 22,925 shares underlying restricted stock units ("RSUs"), 25% of which vested or shall vest on each of the first, second, third, and fourth anniversaries of the 12/19/2016 date of grant; (ii) 4,400 shares underlying RSUs, 25% of which vested or shall vest on each of the first, second, third, and fourth anniversaries of the 4/27/2017 date of grant; and (iii) 13,000 shares underlying RSUs, 25% of which shall vest on each of the first, second, third, and fourth anniversaries of the 4/26/2018 date of grant. 314 of the shares underlying vested RSUs were previously withheld by the Issuer to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations associated with the vesting of RSUs.
- 2. Each performance right represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock. The performance rights vest based on stock performance over a three-year performance period, and shares, net of tax withholding, will be delivered on the first anniversary of the vesting date. The number represents the maximum number of shares that may be delivered pursuant to the award, which is two times the target number of shares.

## Remarks:

The reporting person is the President, Outdoor Products & Accessories Division. Exhibit List Exhibit 24 - Limited Power of Attorney

Brian Daniel Murphy 08/09/2018

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

 $Reminder: Report \ on \ a \ separate \ line \ for \ each \ class \ of \ securities \ beneficially \ owned \ directly \ or \ indirectly.$ 

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).
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LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR SECTION 16 REPORTING OBLIGATIONS

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby makes, constitutes and appoints each of P. James Debney, Jeffrey D. Buchanan, and Robert J. Cicero as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact, with full power and authority as hereinafter described on behalf of and in the name, place and stead of the undersigned to:

- (1) prepare, execute, acknowledge, deliver and file Forms 3, 4, and 5 (including any amendments thereto) with respect to the securities of American Outdoor Brands Corporation, a Nevada corporation (the "Company"), with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, any national securities exchanges and the Company, as considered necessary or advisable under Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, as amended from time to time (the "Exchange Act");
- (2) seek or obtain, as the undersigned's representative and on the undersigned's behalf, information on transactions in the Company's securities from any third party, including brokers, employee benefit plan administrators and trustees, and the undersigned hereby authorizes any such person to release any such information to the undersigned and approves and ratifies any such release of information; and
- (3) perform any and all other acts which in the discretion of such attorney-in-fact are necessary or desirable for and on behalf of the undersigned in connection with the foregoing.

The undersigned acknowledges that:

- (1) this Power of Attorney authorizes, but does not require, such attorney-in-fact to act in their discretion on information provided to such attorney-in-fact without independent verification of such information;
- (2) any documents prepared and/or executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney will be in such form and will contain such information and disclosure as such attorney-in-fact, in his or her discretion, deems necessary or desirable;
- (3) neither the Company nor such attorney-in-fact assumes (i) any liability for the undersigned's responsibility to comply with the requirement of the Exchange Act, (ii) any liability of the undersigned for any failure to comply with such requirements, or (iii) any obligation or liability of the undersigned for profit disgorgement under Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act; and
- (4) this Power of Attorney does not relieve the undersigned from responsibility for compliance with the undersigned's obligations under the Exchange Act, including without limitation the reporting requirements under Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

The undersigned hereby gives and grants the foregoing attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary or appropriate to be done in and about the foregoing matters as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if present, hereby ratifying all that such attorney-in-fact of, for and on behalf of the undersigned, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Limited Power of Attorney.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to such attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 9th day of August, 2018.

s/	Brian	Daniel	Murphy	
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Signature

Brian Daniel Murphy

Print Name