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INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

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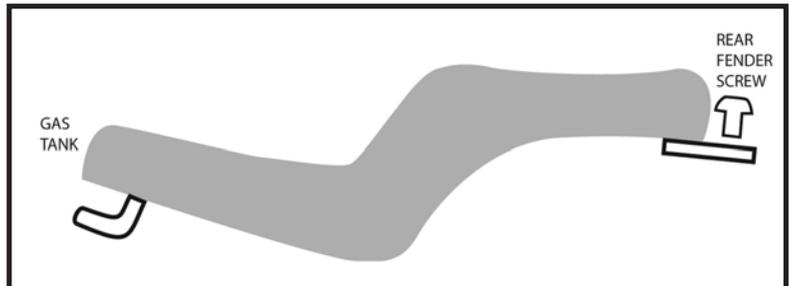


STANDARD SEAT INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS:

READ BOTH PAGES OF THIS INSTRUCTION SET AND THE WARNING INFORMATION THOROUGHLY BEFORE INSTALLATION!

Congratulations on your purchase of this new custom replacement seat for your motorcycle! Your new seat is constructed with a plastic or heavy duty fiberglass pan that is made to install in the same way as your stock seat. Our durable rubber bumpers and plated brackets often exceed the strength and durability of the original seat's components. In most cases, you simply remove your stock seat (see your motorcycle's owner's manual) and replace it with the Saddlemen seat.

In some cases, it MIGHT be necessary to remove mounting hardware and rubber bumpers from your original seat and reinstall them on your new seat. If so, our seat base design may differ slightly from your original pan because your original brackets and hardware will be mounted on the new seat with new bolts (supplied with this seat), rather than the nut and studs used on your original seat. Because of manufacturing variances between different models and years, it may be necessary to slightly alter the bolt-hole size on the original brackets with a drill or file to accommodate the new bolts. Seats that require unique mounting will have instruction labels affixed to the seat or a supplemental instruction set will be included.



IN MANY CASES your new Saddlemen seat installs to your bike using only the front tongue, which is inserted into the bike's frame below the gas tank, and a rear chrome tab that uses a screw to secure to the bike's rear fender. Many metric motorcycles have stock seats with additional mounting points on the side of the seat that are not used with the Saddlemen seat so those bracket may need to be removed (and stored for future use if you reinstall the original seat).

PLEASE SEE THE FOLLOWING PAGE FOR INFORMATION FOR INSTALLING SEATS WITH SADDLEMEN-SUPPLIED HARDWARE

⚠ WARNING

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY BEFORE INSTALLATION!

Because of the variety of motorcycle configurations, other accessories, and the features and intended use of this Saddlemen seat, there may be different mounting options. **You are responsible for the proper installation of this seat on your motorcycle.** Your attention to these installation instructions, any additional specific instructions and recommendations will permit the safe and proper use of this seat. You must mount this seat properly and securely before riding your motorcycle. If you lack the ability to safely and properly install this seat, seek out a qualified motorcycle technician for assistance. During installation, you may need to support the motorcycle with a suitable stand or lift so it will not tip over and injure you, or damage the vehicle. **Using or mounting this seat improperly could result in a loss of control of the motorcycle which could result in damage to your motorcycle or other personal property, the property of third parties, and/or personal injury to yourself or others, up to and including death.**

BE SURE TO THOROUGHLY READ AND CLOSELY FOLLOW THE MOUNTING INSTRUCTIONS THAT ARE INCLUDED WITH THIS ACCESSORY:

- The seat must be installed and securely fastened onto the chassis of the motorcycle. Refer to your motorcycle's Owner's Manual and/or Service Manual for guidance.
- If you do not understand the seat mounting DO NOT mount the seat and remove any related components you may have already installed on your motorcycle.
- Thoroughly inspect your motorcycle's seat before every ride. Do not use this seat if its mounting system has been modified, has deteriorated, loosened or is beginning to fail.
- Continually check the security of your seat and other accessories at each stop as you ride. Items attached to your motorcycle can loosen during operation, so be sure to check them frequently.
- Do not use this seat if you have any doubts as to whether it is properly mounted to your motorcycle. You must be sure that the installation of the seat will not damage your motorcycle's painted or plated parts. Saddlemen is not responsible if you or your technician mount the seat and it damages your motorcycle for any reason.
- When using any accessory, do not exceed your vehicle's Maximum Gross Vehicle Weight as listed on your motorcycle or in the manufacturer's owner's manual.
- If your seat is ever damaged, do not use it until it has been inspected by your local professional motorcycle dealer. You may also need to send your seat to Saddlemen for inspection or repair. Replace any mounting part immediately if it has sustained damage that will prevent the seat from being properly secured to your motorcycle.

PASSENGER GRAB STRAP:

This accessory seat is provided without a passenger grab strap. Carrying a passenger without a grab strap in place on your motorcycle may be hazardous for the passenger. Grab straps, rear mounted foot pegs, sissy bars, passenger backrests and trunks aid in making a passenger more secure on the vehicle. Laws in some jurisdictions require grab straps or other security devices when a passenger is transported. Do not transport a passenger if they are not secure. Do not disable grab straps or other safety features provided on your motorcycle and obey all traffic laws while riding. Saddlemen offers grab straps that can be installed on your motorcycle, call (310) 638-1222 for more information. Always ride responsibly and take precautions to be sure your passenger is secure and comfortable at all time.

DO NOT ATTEMPT TO USE THIS SEAT IF:

- You do not understand these installation and use instructions,
- You do not understand any part of the seat's mounting system,
- You have any doubts as to the security of the seat's mounting system.

If you have any concerns or questions, seek help at your qualified motorcycle dealer or call the Saddlemen support line at (310) 638-1222.

Remember: Motorcycling can be a dangerous activity. Installation of any accessory can increase your risk if it is not installed properly. You are responsible to install this seat or any accessory so it will not contact any portion of the drive train, suspension or steering, or if it will in any way interfere with the operation of your motorcycle.



The images in this instruction set may be different than your accessory or motorcycle.

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INSTALLATION IF HARDWARE IS INCLUDED WITH YOUR NEW SEAT:

- Step 1:** Remove the original seat and place it bottom side up next to your new custom replacement seat.
- Step 2:** Remove each bracket from your original seat and install it in the corresponding location on your new seat, using the bolts provided. Place the new bolts through the brackets and into the threaded riv-nuts in the new seat bottom. Repeat until all hardware is transferred.
- Step 3:** Check all fasteners for tightness, 10 -to- 15 ft/lbs is recommended, do not overtighten.
- Step 4:** Remove rubber bumpers from your original seat and move them to your new custom seat. In some instances we have already installed bumpers that are needed, but some models require the special specific bumpers from your original seat for proper tolerance and fit. The stock bumpers are easily removed by twisting and pulling at the same time. Reinstallation requires drilling a hole of the same diameter as the original into the new seat pan. Rubber bumpers are most easily installed using either water or silicone spray as a lubricant.
- Step 5:** Reinstall the seat on the motorcycle. Check to make sure the seat fits properly. The new seat will be firmer than the original seat and will break-in over time to provide greater comfort (usually several hundred miles of riding is required). During the break-in, the seat will also settle-in, or lower, about ½ to one inch. Older seats may seem substantially lower because of the worn-out, compressed foam that has deteriorated with time on your original seat.

NOTE: A REAR TAB FENDER PROTECTOR IS SUPPLIED with seats that mount with a rear tab. Use this vinyl protector between the rear seat tab and your bike's rear fender to protect the paint. For additional protection, use a Saddlemen Adhesive Fender Washer (PN: 8901) and a Saddlemen part number Protective Tape Kit (PN: 4320-0807) which further protects paint from abrasion damage from a seat and is from the seat, and is also useful when mounting other accessories such as tank bags or saddlebags.

NOTE: It is not considered abnormal for your new Saddlemen seat to touch the motorcycle's chassis in certain places (just like your original seat). Due to the natural variance of your vehicle and your new Saddlemen seat, you should always check to see if portions of the seat are touching painted or finished surfaces on your motorcycle. If the test fitting of your seat indicates an area where the seat is touching a sensitive surface, you can protect that area by using the film from the Saddlemen Protective Tape Kit (PN: 4320-0807). This kit can help protect these areas from abrasion damage from a seat. Some seat designs vary from the original seat, so the Protective Tape kit is supplied with these seat models. This will be noted on a decal applied to the seat's pan.

IMPORTANT:

It is your responsibility to make sure the seat installation does not create an unsafe or illegal situation. Remember that this seat is a custom accessory. It is your responsibility to check the installation to determine if it will be safe for you to operate the motorcycle and to properly and safely carry a passenger (this includes reinstalling the passenger grab strap or installing a suitable replacement). You must also ensure that the installation does not damage your vehicle in any way.

After 50 miles (80 kilometers), recheck the seat's mounting to make sure it is still secure. Inspect all of your accessories and related hardware before and during each ride. An improperly mounted seat can interfere with the vehicle's operation and cause an unsafe riding condition.



CARE OF YOUR SADDLEMEN ACCESSORY SEAT:

Your Saddlemen seat requires almost no maintenance, other than periodic cleaning. Use Saddlemen Seat & Saddlebag Ultra Wash (#3101) for the best results while cleaning, or use mild soap and water.

SADDLEMEN LIMITED ONE-YEAR WARRANTY

Saddlemen warrants its products for defects in materials, design or workmanship for a period of one year after retail purchase. Items that are defective will be repaired or replaced by Saddlemen at its sole discretion. Damage caused by improper use or improper installation is not a defect; therefore repair, replacement or shipping of a damaged accessory will not be covered under this warranty. This limited warranty contains other provisions and conditions, so please refer to the Warranty Policy that was provided with your seat or visit www.saddlemen.com for additional information. Thank you for purchasing your Saddlemen Seat. You can count on Saddlemen's quality, innovation, service and style. We want you to be completely satisfied. If you have any comments, or are not satisfied with the performance of your Saddlemen accessory, please contact the Saddlemen support line at (310) 638-1222.



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