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SHOCK CUTAWAY SADDLEBAG INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

WARNING: ⚠

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY BEFORE STARTING!

Use of this product in a manner other than it's intended purpose could cause loss of motorcycle control and damage including personal injury or death. Follow the instructions below.

- You must mount saddlebags properly and securely before riding motorcycle. Failure to do so could result in damage to the saddlebag and motorcycle.
- You are responsible for the correct installation and safe use of these bags. Seek qualified instruction if you are uncertain about their capabilities and limitations
- Additional, bolt-on saddlebag supports are HIGHLY RECOMMENDED to keep saddlebags from moving, contacting or interfering with shocks, swingarm, brakes and wheel.
- Saddlebags must be tied down and secured to a solid part of the motorcycle to prevent any movement during operation.
- Do not use these bags if the mounting system has deteriorated, loosened or is beginning to fail
- Do not exceed maximum weight of 10 lbs per saddlebag.
- DO NOT ATTEMPT TO USE THESE SADDLEBAGS IF...
 - ...you do not understand these instructions
 - ...you do not understand any part of the mounting system
 - ...you have any doubts as to the security of the mounting system.
- If you have any doubts or questions, SEEK PROFESSIONAL HELP at your qualified motorcycle dealer or call Saddlemen at 310-638-1222.

CAUTION: Saddlebags must not move around; if they do, you must tie them securely to your saddlebag supports using a Tie Down Kit #5108, or cable ties, connected to the two attachment points at the bottom corners of each saddlebag.

NOTE: DO NOT connect any straps to flexible or moving parts (rubber mounted turn signals, swingarm, shocks)

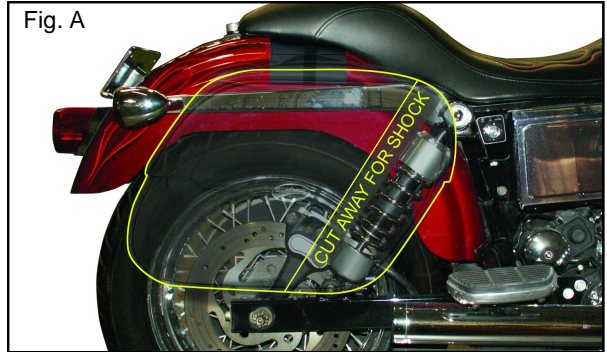
NOTE: You must tuck away, tie, or cut/shorten all loose mounting straps BEFORE you ride the motorcycle. See warning information above.

NOTE: Check saddlebag mounting and strap tightness each time you stop and get off the motorcycle.

Motorcycling is an inherently dangerous activity. Installation of any accessory, including saddlebags, can add to the danger if they are not installed safely. If saddlebag supports are not available for your motorcycle, and you wish to install saddlebags, you must install them in a manner in which they will not contact any part of the drivetrain, suspension or steering, or interfere with any operation of the motorcycle. If you do not know how to do this, or have any doubts as to your ability, please have a qualified motorcycle mechanic install them.



Fig. A



PARTS LIST

- 2 - Saddlebags 1 - Split yoke (attached) 1 - Set of Instructions
- 2 - Keys for quick release buckles (*Desperado, Drifter*) 4 - Locks w/Keys (*Cruis'n*)
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FEATURES

CUTOUT BACK DESIGN Our manufacturing process allows us to relieve the area in the back of the saddlebag where the shock absorber is located. You can now mount the saddlebags tight to the bike. In the past many bike owners have had to make a decision to either mount their saddlebags outboard of the shock absorbers, or to relocate their turn signals to allow adequate room for the saddlebags. With this Shock Cutaway Design, you can now have close fitting saddlebags designed to fit into a tight space while still having ample storage capacity. See Fig. A.

FULLY LOCKING BUCKLES (*Desperado and Drifter models*) The two straps on the front of the saddlebags are fully lockable. You can lock the black quick release buckles located below the chrome buckles. Now your saddlebags are fully locked. This Fully Lockable saddlebag feature is unique to Saddlemen.

QUICK AND EASY TWIST-LOCKS (*Cruis'n models only*) Even at high speeds these lids stay securely closed thanks to the use of the hook-and-loop fastener sewn to the inside of the flap. The smooth, clean lines of the saddlebags are enhanced by the ability to lock the twist-lock closure with a padlock supplied for each saddlebag.

LOCKABLE YOKE ZIPPER The zipper on the yoke is lockable. For safety and security, we recommend that the yoke zippers be locked at all times when the saddlebags are on the motorcycle. Place the pad lock thru both the zipper pull and D-Ring. Once locked the saddlebags cannot be removed from the split yoke by unzipping them (see Fig. H).

PAD LOCK KEYS The chrome padlocks for the split yoke zippers are keyed the same. The black quick release buckles have their own key. Just in case, tape a spare key for both locks to a business card and keep it in your wallet.

ADJUSTABLE & REMOVABLE YOKE The yoke half attached to each saddlebag is held on by removable nuts and bolts. If you choose to hard-mount your saddlebags, it's easy to remove the yoke. Also, because the yoke is not symmetrical, you can unbolt it from both bags and reverse it's position, which may help fit the bags better to your bike.

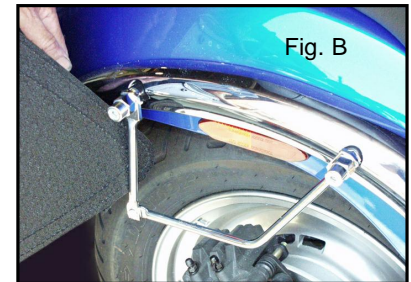


Fig. B

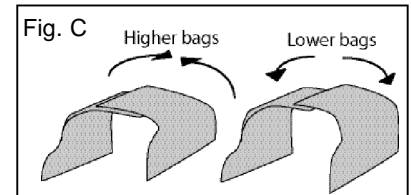


Fig. C

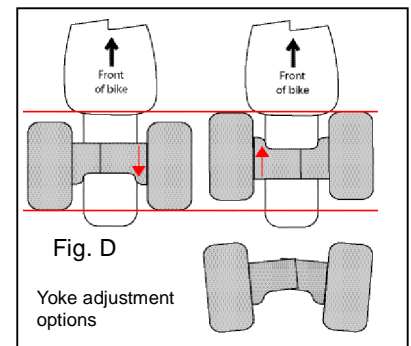
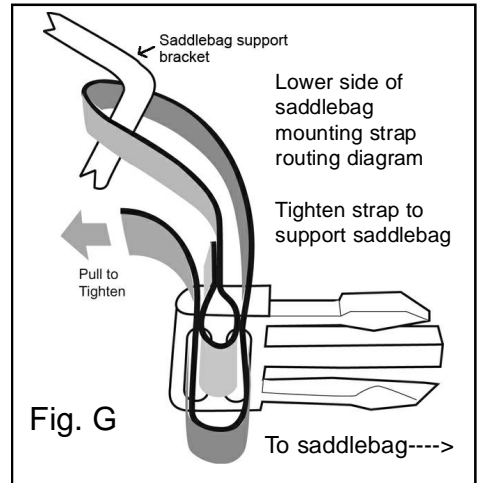
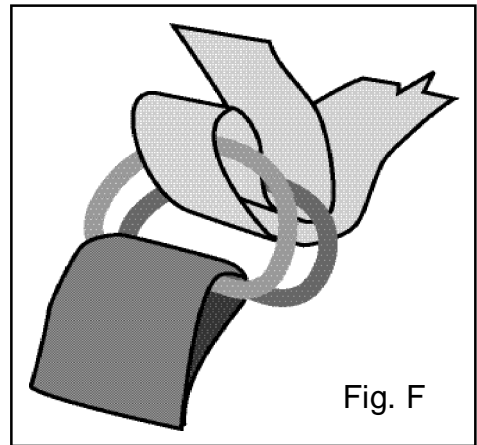
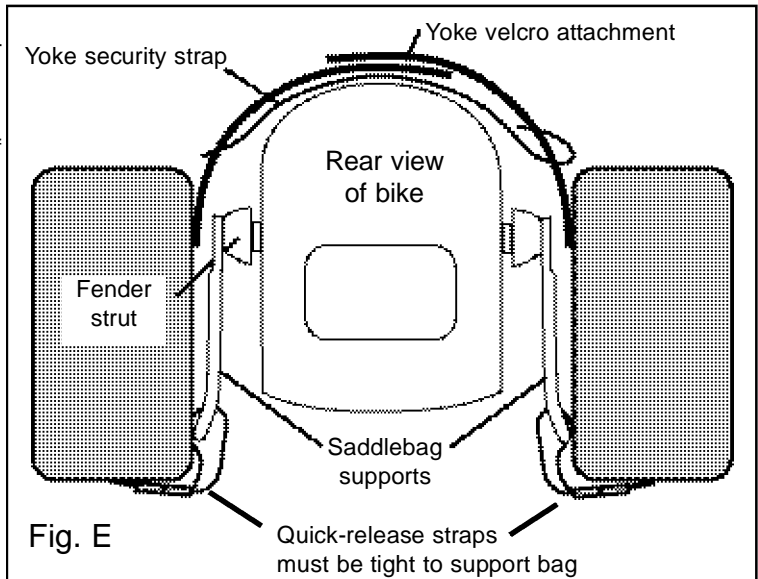


Fig. D

Yoke adjustment options

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Saddlemen saddlebags mount over the back of the seat or rear fender of most motorcycles. When properly installed there will be one saddlebag on each side of the motorcycle with the split yoke resting on the fender or the seat. Both saddlebags must be securely mounted and tied down in a manner that does not interfere with any part of the motorcycle's operation. Be certain the saddlebags or their mountings do not contact brake components, turn signals, taillight, brake light, suspension, swingarm, or drivetrain. These Shock Cutaway saddlebags have been designed to fit over your bike's shock absorbers (see Fig. A), which allow for larger bags on bikes otherwise limited by shock and turn signal location.
2. We highly recommend that your bike be equipped with Saddlemen's S4 saddlebag supports (see Fig. B) or equivalent. Saddlemen also offers Quick Disconnect rigid-mounting hardware kits for most bikes, that allow easy on, easy off bag installation and eliminate the yoke. For more information, see your dealer or contact Saddlemen at 310-638-1222.
3. Your saddlebags must be at least two inches away from any exhaust pipe while the motorcycle is stationary or moving. You can adjust the split yoke to change the height of the bag on the motorcycle by adjusting the position of the hook and loop fastening system (Fig. C). Adjust the split yoke shorter to raise the height of the saddlebags, and longer to lower the height of the saddlebags. The split yoke can also be reversed by unbolting each yoke half from each saddlebag, and reversing the yoke's position on your bike. This allows for the offset in the yoke to be positioned either forward or backwards providing clearance for the motorcycle's components (Fig. D).
4. In addition to the hook and loop fastener, the bags rely on a nylon safety strap system to ensure proper and secure installation. This strap must be used, and tightened snugly. Assure that the strap's short end with D-rings is pushed through the slot in the split yoke and resting on the top side it. Once the split yoke is set to the proper position, run the long safety strap over the top of the split yoke and secure it to the D-rings (see Fig E and F), and tighten it.
5. Once you've placed the saddlebags on your bike and have them adjusted properly, use the straps located on the bottom of each saddlebag (see Fig. E and G) to connect the saddlebag to the saddlebag support (if you are using Saddlemen's S4 Saddlebag bracket refer to the instructions shipped with it). These lower straps adjust in length to assure a tight fit. Wrap them around the saddlebag support, snap the buckle halves together, and adjust the length of the strap assuring the strap is tight and supporting some of the saddlebags' weight. Repeat this step on the other saddlebag.



CARE AND CLEANING

Your saddlebags require almost no maintenance, but to keep them looking their best, here's what we recommend:

1. You can simply wipe down the bag with a clean, damp cloth, but to really make them shine use Saddlemen Seat and Saddlebag Wash, part number 3101, and Saddlemen Seat and Saddlebag Conditioner, part number 3102, both available through your local dealer.
2. Keep the saddlebags away from extreme heat sources like your bike's exhaust pipes.

SADDLEMEN'S ONE-YEAR WARRANTY

We guarantee our products for a period of one year after retail purchase, against defects in materials and workmanship. Damage caused by improper use or incorrect mounting is not warranted. Our warranty has other provisions and conditions; please contact Saddlemen for full details. If your Saddlemen product is not performing to your expectations, please call us at 310-638-1222 and our customer service staff will be happy to help. You can count on Saddlemen's quality, innovation, service and style.

