

## USER GUIDE & INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

**DESCRIPTION:** S3500 Sissy Bar Bag

**PART NUMBER:** 3515-0082, -0083

### OVERVIEW:

- Fully adjustable sissy bar mounting system goes on in seconds over any size and style sissy bar pad; once adjusted for your size pad, you never need to adjust it again.
- Convenient, full-size side door openings allow easy access to bag contents while the bag is still mounted on bike.
- Six exterior zippered and mesh pouches for convenient access to your things while on the road.
- Rigid construction holds bag shape even when empty; Top carry handle, backpack straps and shoulder strap are included for easy toting off bike.
- Leather-grained UV and weather-resistant 1200 denier SaddleHyde construction; Choose which style (with or without studs) best matches your motorcycle or scooter.
- Top roll bag included for extra cargo capacity; top cargo straps mount roll bag or strap down jacket, rain gear, etc. The top roll bag can also be attached directly to your bike for shorter trips.
- Internal office organizer section lets you stow maps, a camera, sunglasses, etc., all within easy reach.
- Self-contained weather-resistant rain cover with security tether protects the bag from the elements.
- Mini-padlocks with extra keys help keep your belongings safe and secure.

### CONTENTS / PARTS INCLUDED:

Qty	Item	Qty	Item
1	S3500 Bag	1	Top Roll Bag
2	Pull Down Straps	1	Shoulder Strap
2	Mounting Straps (for top roll bag)	1	Padlock with keys
1	Backpack Strap	1	Instructions



### IMPORTANT:

All “NOTE,” “CAUTION” and “WARNING” notations are serious safety issues and should be read carefully. Possible injury to riders or damage to the motorcycle and/or this bag may result if improperly installed.

### NOTICE TO DEALERS:

These instructions contain important information for future reference and should be given to the customer.

### CAUTION:

**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY BEFORE INSTALLATION!**

Because of the variety of motorcycle configurations, other accessories, and the features and intended use of this Saddlemen accessory, there could be many different mounting options. You are responsible for the proper installation of this luggage onto your motorcycle. Your attention to these installation instructions and recommendations will permit safe and proper use of this accessory. You must mount this luggage properly and securely before riding your motorcycle. If you lack the ability to safely and properly install this bag, seek out a qualified motorcycle technician for assistance. During installation, 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 bag 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.

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## CAUTION:

- Be sure to thoroughly read and closely follow the mounting Instructions that are included with this bag.
- For your safety, mount this bag securely so it will not shift or move while riding. Make sure it will not contact the controls or any other moving parts of your vehicle.
- When using this or any accessory, do not exceed your saddlebag's Maximum Cargo Load Capacity, or your vehicle's Maximum Gross Vehicle Weight as listed on your vehicle or in the manufacturer's owner's manual.
- Continually check the security of this luggage at each stop as you ride. Hardware and straps on a motor vehicle can loosen during operation, so be sure to check these items frequently.
- If this bag is ever damaged, do not use it until inspected by a professional motorcycle dealer. Replace immediately if it has damage that will prevent it from being properly secured to your vehicle or if it will not securely function as intended.
- If you do not understand the mounting instructions or this warning label DO NOT mount this bag. Contact your local professional motorcycle dealer for assistance, or call the Saddlemen support line at (310) 638-1222.

### DO NOT ATTEMPT TO USE THIS LUGGAGE IF:

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

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

To avoid injury, install while engine is cold.

## INSTALLATION:

Your Saddlemen Sissybar Bag has an adjustable mounting strap system to attach the bag to a sissy bar so it will rest on your motorcycle's rear rack or seat. You (or your professional motorcycle technician) will need to determine the best mounting configuration for your motorcycle or scooter.

### MOUNTING OVERVIEW:

Your bag has an adjustable rod mounting strap system which creates a sleeve (1) that allows you to slip the bag over a motorcycle sissy bar. In most applications the bag is mounted behind the sissy bar where it can rest on a rear rack. The bag can also slip over the sissy bar and be oriented so it rests on the passenger seat. In this configuration the bag can become a rider backrest. The bag has upper (2) and lower loops (3) to hold the rods (4) so you can adjust how the mounting strap (sleeve) (1) will fit around your motorcycle's sissy bar and pad. There are two D-rings (6) located on the lower, back side of the bag that allow connection of straps for securing the bag to your rack or seat.

**IMPORTANT:** When setting the sleeve size, make sure the rods (4) are inserted into both the upper (2) and lower (3) loops. After putting a rod into both the upper and lower loops make sure the rod flap (5) is pressed down, to fully engage the hook & loop fasteners.

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**VERY WIDE SISSY BAR MOUNTING SUGGESTION:** To set the mounting strap for very wide sissy bar pads; pull out the two plastic mounting rods.

**NOTE:** The very wide width size of the mounting strap matches the width of most Harley-Davidson® and other brand sissy bars equipped with a wide back rest pad.



### WIDE SISSY BAR MOUNTING SUGGESTION:

Set the rods through the outer loops and on the back of the pack and the mounting strap to create a sleeve that snugly fits around a wide sissy bar and pad.



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## INSTALLATION *(continued)*

**NARROW SISSY BAR MOUNTING SUGGESTION:** Set the rods through the inner loops and on the back of the bag and the mounting strap to create a sleeve that snugly fits around a narrow sissy bar and pad.



**TAPERED SISSY BAR MOUNTING SUGGESTION:** To set the shape of the mounting strap sleeve to fit a tapered or an angled sissy bar, set the rods through the inner loops and the outer loops on the back of the bag to create a triangular sleeve that matches your sissy bar and pad.

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### BAG MOUNTING & SECURITY STRAPS:

The D-rings (1) located on lower, back side of the bag are essential for securing your bag to your motorcycle.

**IMPORTANT:** Do not mount the bag behind the sissy bar unless the motorcycle has a rear rack, as the bag could damage the rear fender and/or interfere with the motorcycle's lights, suspension, wheels or other components. Regardless of how you orient the bag, attaching the supplied security straps to solid mounting points on the chassis is essential for the bag to stay securely attached to the motorcycle during rough riding conditions.

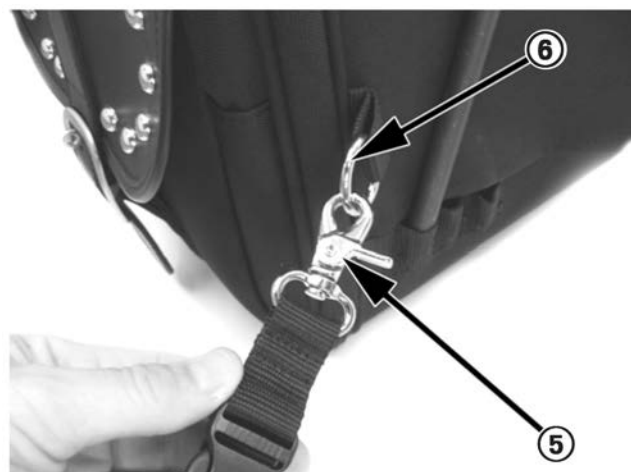
Locate rigid mounting points on the bike (2) for the security straps. Open the quick release buckle (3) of the security strap (4) and loop the strap around the mounting point. Set the bag onto the rack or seat and connect the snap-hook (5) of the security straps to the D-rings (6) on each corner of the bag. Cinch the straps to tighten the bag to the seat.

**IMPORTANT:** After installing the bag, cut off or secure any excess security strap material so it will not interfere with the motorcycle's controls, suspension, wheels or other components. A soldering iron can be used to seal the edges of a cut nylon strap. Use caution to avoid damaging the strap during the sealing process. Keep a cup of water nearby to cool the strap after sealing. Do not overtighten the mounting straps. Over cinching the straps can damage the D-ring mounts and damage the fabric walls of your bag. Damage of this type is not a defect and repair or replacement will not be covered by the Saddlemen Limited Warranty.

Make sure the bag does not block or touch the vehicle's tail light, turn signals, fender, suspension, wheels, or other components. Do not mount the bag near hot surfaces, such as the motorcycle's exhaust.

To temporarily remove the bag from the motorcycle you can open the snap hooks (5) so they release from the D-rings (6) and simply lift the bag off the sissy bar.

**IMPORTANT:** Never operate the motorcycle if the straps are still in place after removing the bag, as the straps could interfere with the safe operation of the vehicle. To remove the straps, open the quick release buckles (3) and stow the straps in a safe place.



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## STORAGE COMPARTMENTS & FEATURES:

Your Saddlemen Sissybar Bag has several internal and external storage compartments that enable you to carry all of your cargo in a safe and organized fashion.

- (1) Top Roll Bag (removable)
- (2) Rain cover storage compartment (under top roll bag)
- (3) Side outer elastic mesh pocket with cinch strap (two on bag)
- (4) Lower side, storage compartment (two on bag)
- (5) Roll bag security and cargo retention strap buckles
- (6) Top, outer storage compartment (organizer inside)
- (7) Adjustable height inner storage shelf (not visible)
- (8) Lower, outer storage compartment

### Other features:

- Both bag sides zip-open fully for easy access
- Lined cargo area in main compartment
- Carry handle for main bag, carry handle for top roll bag
- Shoulder strap for removable top roll bag
- Backpack strap for main bag



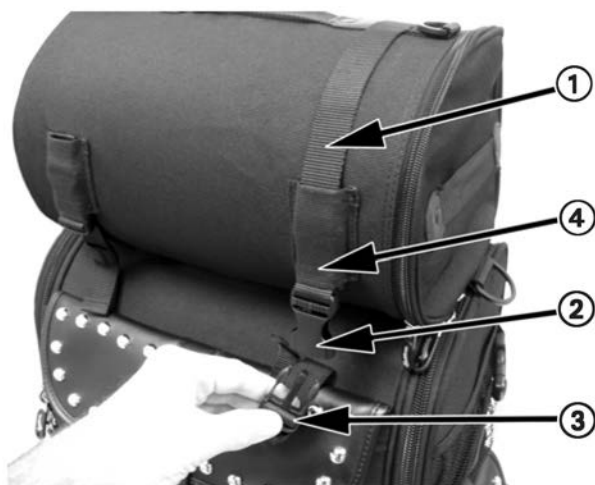
**TOP ROLL BAG REMOVAL & INSTALLATION:** You can remove the top roll bag from the main bag by uncoupling the quick release buckles (1) that are under the protective elastic strips on the roll bag. To reinstall the bag, just press the male buckle (2) into the female buckle under the strip at the front of the bag (the rear buckles are reverse - the male buckle end is under the elastic band at the back of the roll bag).

If you remove the top roll bag and ride with just the main bag, reconnect the two bag mounting strap buckles (3) and cinch the strap (4) to the bag lid.



**IMPORTANT:** Do not overtighten the mounting straps. The top bag will be securely attached to the main bag with a moderate amount of strap tension. Over cinching the straps can damage the bags. Damage of this type is not a defect and repair or replacement will not be covered by the Saddlemen Limited Warranty. [www.saddlemen.com](http://www.saddlemen.com)





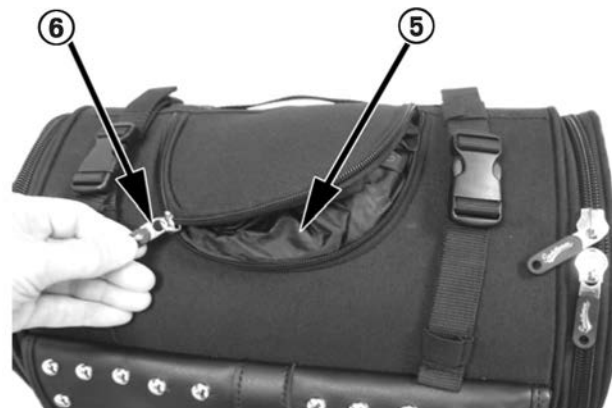
#### CARGO RETENTION STRAPS:

Included with your sissybar bag are a pair of cargo retention straps that can be connected to the roll bag mounting straps on the top of the main bag (with or without the roll bag in place) to allow you to hold additional objects like a jacket. The cargo retention straps (1) have buckles (2) that connect to the buckles (3) on the main bag. If you have the top roll bag mounted, you should pass the extra mounting straps through the elastic bands (4) on the bag to make sure the roll bag remains in place on the top of the main bag.

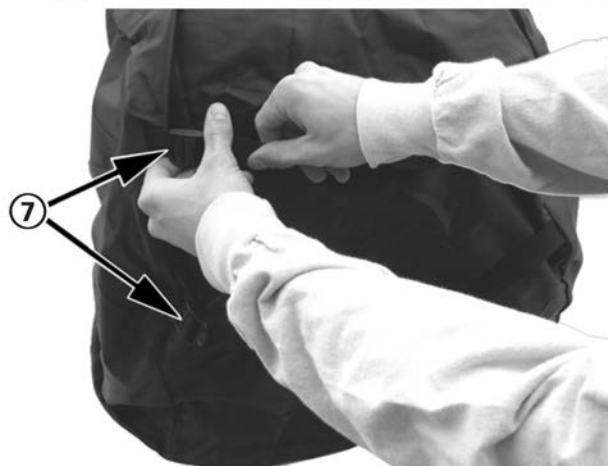
**IMPORTANT:** Do not overtighten the cargo retention straps. Cargo can be secured with a moderate amount of strap tension. Over cinching the straps can damage the bags. Damage of this type is not a defect and repair or replacement will not be covered by the Saddlemen Limited Warranty.

#### RAIN COVER:

Use the supplied rain cover to help protect the bag during inclement weather. The cover (5) is stored in the top compartment of the bag. Unzip the compartment (6) and remove the cover. On the inside, top of the rain cover is a tether strap. This strap is required to help secure the cover to the bag when riding. Invert the cover (the outside of the cover has two straps to cinch it to the bag) and loop the tether strap into the buckle in the cover's storage compartment.



After you have attached the tether strap, slide the cover over the bag. The cover has two cinch straps (7) that will tighten the cover so it fits snugly to the sides of the bag to prevent the rain cover from flapping under most riding conditions. The cinch straps can also be used as security straps, depending upon your mounting configuration.



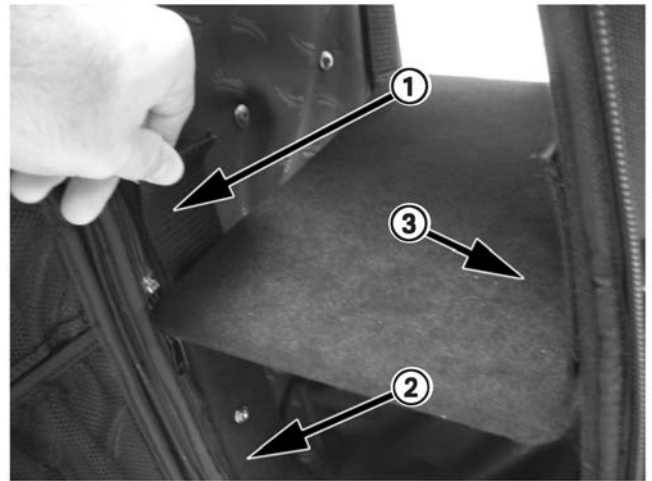
To seal the base of the rain cover, cinch the cord (8) at the base of the cover. You can attach the two rain cover cinch straps to a solid item (such as a grab rail) on the motorcycle to prevent the cover from billowing or coming off of the bag as you ride.

**IMPORTANT:** Cut off or secure any excess rain cover cinch/security strap or cord material so it will not get drawn into, or interfere with the motorcycle's controls, suspension, wheels or other components.



#### ADJUSTABLE CARGO SHELF:

Your sissybar bag as an adjustable, padded cargo shelf that permits you to tailor the main compartment configuration to match your cargo. The shelf has four upper and four lower straps with hook material that corresponds to loop material attached to the inner surface of the main compartment. To adjust the cargo shelf location, unzip and fully open both compartment panels on the side of the main bag. Release the upper and lower shelf straps (1) from the loop material (2) on the inside of the bag. Position the shelf (3) to your desired location and press the straps firmly back into the loop material.



#### TAKING YOUR BAG WITH YOU AFTER YOU STOP:

Included with your sissy bar bag is an adjustable shoulder strap for use with the top roll bag, as well as an adjustable backpack strap for the main bag to make it easy to transport the bags when you remove them from your motorcycle.

NOTE: Use the adjustment buckles on either strap to set the length that will be the most comfortable for when you carry your bag(s). You can create other carrying configurations by connecting the straps to any of the bag's D-rings.

#### TOP ROLL BAG & SHOULDER STRAP:

Connected the shoulder strap (4) snap hooks (5) to the D-rings (6) on the top roll bag.



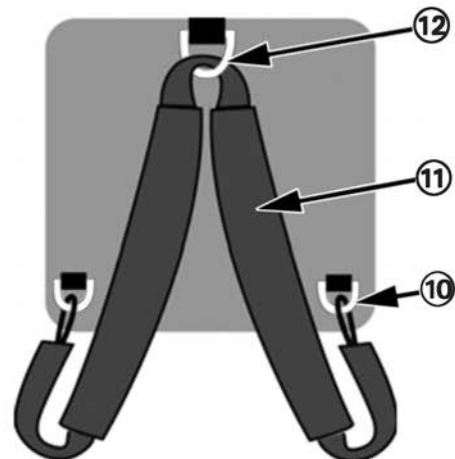
#### MAIN BAG & BACKPACK STRAP:

Some bags are supplied with a backpack strap with a metal snap hook in the center of the strap. For straps of this type, connect the snap hooks at the end of the backpack strap (7) to the D-rings (8) near the bottom of the main bag. Connect the snap hook at the center of the backpack strap to the D-ring (9) at the top of the main bag.

Other bags are supplied with a backpack strap with no center snap hook. This type of strap feeds through a large D-ring near the top of the bag. For straps of this type, clip one backpack strap end to a D-ring (10) located on the lower rear corner of your bag. Feed the strap (11) through the D-ring (12) located at the top center of the rear of the bag, and then clip the other end of the strap to the other lower D-ring.

#### NOTE:

Use the adjustment buckles on either strap to set the length that will be the most comfortable for when you carry your bag(s). You can create other carrying configurations by connecting the straps to any of the bag's D-rings.



Failure to install this luggage accessory properly may allow portions of the bag or its mounting materials to contact the vehicle's moving parts. It is vital that you verify that the accessory and/or any of its parts will not touch, or interfere with other components while the suspension moves through its entire stroke. Make sure that your Sissybar Bag does not touch the exhaust or other non-moving components, as well, as they may be damaged from contact with the accessory.

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## CAUTION:

Occasionally, the configuration of this accessory with certain motorcycles may require relocation and/or adjustment of certain components on the vehicle. Check to be sure that all lights and safety reflectors are visible once the bag is in place. If the bag blocks any side reflectors, place reflectors on the exterior sides of the bag (reflectors with self-adhesive backing are available from motorcycle or automobile supply stores). It is your responsibility to make sure the installation does not create an unsafe or illegal situation.

After 50 miles (80 kilometers), recheck all of the mounting straps and the bag to make sure they are still tight and secure. Inspect the bag and related hardware before and during each ride. A loose bag or hardware can interfere with the vehicle's operation and cause an unsafe riding condition.

## IMPORTANT:

### CARE OF YOUR SADDLEMEN BAG:

Your Saddlemen S3500 Sissybar Bag requires almost no maintenance, other than periodic cleaning.

**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 instal-

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## LIMITED WARRANTY POLICY

lation 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 luggage or visit [www.saddlemen.com](http://www.saddlemen.com) for additional information. You can count on Saddlemen's quality, innovation, service and style. If for any reason you are not satisfied with the performance of your Saddlemen luggage, please contact the Saddlemen support line at (310) 638-1222.

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