

# **USER GUIDE & INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**

**DESCRIPTION:** Highwayman Tattoo Saddlebags

**PART NUMBERS:** 3501-0212, -0213, -0215, -0216, -0219,

-0221, -0222, -0248, -0249, -0772,

-0773, -0774

FITMENT: Universal

## **CONTENTS / PARTS INCLUDED:**

Qty Item

2 Saddlebags

Split Yoke/Lids with laces
Keys for quick-release buckles

1 Instructions



# **IMPORTANT:**

Please read these instructions completely before starting installation. 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 accessory may result if improperly installed.

## **NOTICE TO DEALERS:**

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

## **A** WARNING:

#### READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY BEFORE INSTALLATION!

Because of the variety of motorcycle configurations, other accessories, and the features and intended use of these Saddlemen saddlebags, there are many different mounting options. You are responsible for the proper installation of this accessory on your motorcycle. Your attention to these installation instructions and recommendations will permit safe and proper use of this luggage. You must mount this accessory properly and securely before riding your motorcycle. If you lack the ability to safely and properly install these saddlebags, 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 accessory 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 saddlebags must be installed and securely fastened onto the frame or similar foundation on the motorcycle.
- Install the saddlebags securely so they will not shift or move while riding. Make sure the mounting hardware will not contact the wheels, suspension or any other moving parts of the motorcycle.
- If you do not understand the mounting instructions DO NOT mount the saddlebags. Remove the base or any components you may have already installed on your motorcycle.
- Thoroughly inspect your motorcycle luggage before every ride. Do not use the saddlebags if the mounting system has been modified, has deteriorated, loosened or is beginning to fail.
- Before riding, secure your cargo inside the saddlebags and completely close the lids/flaps.
- Continually check the security of the saddlebags at each stop as you ride. Hardware can loosen during operation, so be sure to check it frequently.
- Do not use this accessory if you have any doubts as to whether it is properly mounted to your motorcycle.
- Do not exceed 10 pounds of total weight, combined, of the saddlebag and its contents.
- Do not transport or store flammable or potentially explosive materials in your saddlebags.
- When using this 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 saddlebags are ever damaged, do not use them until they have been inspected by your local professional motorcycle dealer. Replace the saddlebags immediately if they have damage that prevents them from being properly secured to your motorcycle or from securely holding their contents.

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## **CAUTION:**

DO NOT ATTEMPT TO USE THESE SADDLEBAGS IF ...

- You do not understand the installation and use of their instructions;
- You do not understand any part of the saddlebags' mounting system;
- You have any doubts as to the security of the 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 saddlebag set so it will not contact any portion of the drive train, suspension or steering, and so it will in no way interfere with the operation of your motorcycle.

To avoid injury, install while engine is cold.

#### INSTALLATION:

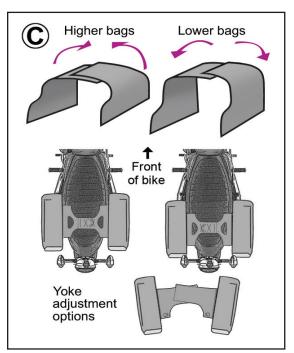
These saddlebags can be mounted traditionally over the fender, or custom fit. Overthe-fender mounting utilizes a removable yoke, and the bags will hang from the fender or seat. Custom fit mounting is accomplished by bolting the bags directly to frame rails or rear fender or by attaching the bags directly to saddlebag support brackets. Quick disconnect saddlebag mounting brackets are also available from your dealer.

WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND that your bike be equiped with saddlebag supports (Fig. A) which can be purchased through your local dealership where you bought these bags. If you choose to install the bags without brackets, extra care must be taken to safely install the bags. Saddlemen universal tie down kit, part #5108, may be of assistance.

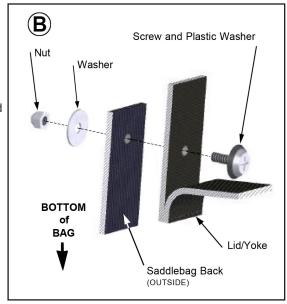


1. Saddlemen saddlebags will mount over the back seat or rear fender of most motorcycles, with one saddlebag on each side of the bike and the mounting yoke resting on the fender or seat. Both saddlebags must be securely mounted and tied down in a manner that does not interfere with any part of the motorcycle's operation, including turnsignals, tail or brake lights, or the suspension or drivetrain.

Attach the lid/yoke assembly to the main body of the saddlebag by inserting the suppied screws thru the pre-punched holes in the lid/yoke, saddlebag back, rubber and metal washers and tighten into the acorn nut. It is critical that the screws are installed in the order shown (Fig. B) and tighten into the nuts. Repeat for both bag assemblies.







2. Your saddlebags must be at least two inches clear of any exhaust pipe, while stationary and moving. You can adjust the yoke to change the height of the bag on the motorcycle by aligning the different holes in the two piece yoke and using the supplied draw cords to attach them. Adjust the yoke shorter for higher saddlebags, and vice versa (see Fig. C). It is critical that you use both drawcords.

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## INSTALLATION (continued)

5. When you've placed the bag on your bike in the proper position, use the straps located on the bottom of each bag (Figs. D and E) to connect the bag to the saddlebag support. These lower straps are length-adjustable; wrap them around the support, buckle the ends together, then adjust the length so that straps are tight and they are supporting some of the saddlebags' weight. Trim any excess strap after the buckle is tightened to prevent entanglement with moving bike parts during operation. Burn or heat the strap ends, melting them to prevent unravelling. Do not operate bike with bags removed and straps still attached to supports.

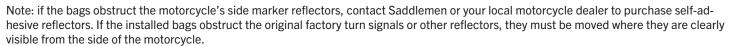
NOTE: Saddlebags must not move around; if they do, you must tie them securely to your saddlebag supports. The use of zip ties, cable ties or Saddlemen Tie Down Kit #5108 may be used to secure the bags using the two attachment points at the bottom corners of each saddlebag.

#### **Custom Fit Mounting**

It is anticipated that the smooth back-side of the bags will be drilled to facilitate mounting directly to the fender or fender struts, to custom fabricated or ready made brackets, or to bag supports available through your dealer. Mounting bolts that pass through the bags must utilize wide fender washers on each side of the plastic bag back to spread the mounting load and stress over the largest area possible.

- 2. Most installations utilize the fender struts and their fender mounting locations for connecting the saddlebags and any brackets or supports to the motorcycle. Other locations can also include turn signal or top shock mounting points. Mounting points should be as far apart as possible.
- 3. The saddlebags must be securely mounted to the motorcycle so that they can support any load that you intend to carry (less than 10 pounds per side) and so that the bags clear all moving or suspension components thru the full suspension travel, even when the bags are loaded. Be especially careful that the cantilevered bottom inside edge of the bag, and all other surfaces, clear all components such as shocks, swingarms, brake calipers, brake rods and lines, chain guard, etc. after installation. Be sure to load and compress the suspension through its full range of motion to check for clearance.
- 4. Inspect the bags immediately after first use to determine that the bags are not interfering with moving components. Inspect weekly thereafter to be certain that the bags have not moved or come in contact with moving parts, and that the bags are not

developing cracks as a result of inadequate mounting support, especially around any holes drilled through the bags.



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.

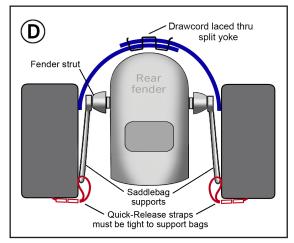
NOTE: Check saddlebag mounting and strap tightness each time you stop.

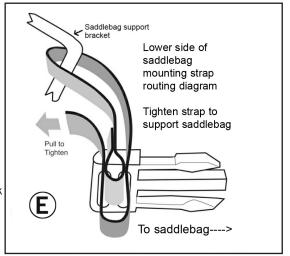
#### **Care and Cleaning**

Your Saddlemen saddlebags require almost no maintenance, but to keep them looking good, we recommend wiping them down with a clean, damp cloth. Keep the saddlebags away from extreme heat sources like your bike's exhaust pipes.

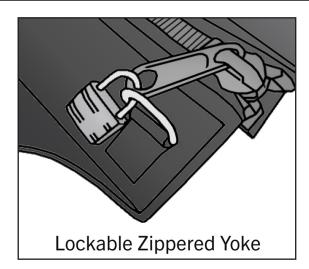
## **CAUTION:**

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





# **IMPORTANT:**





#### **Features**

FULLY LOCKABLE BUCKLES The quick-release buckles under each closure strap are lockable, using the small black keys provided. For greater security, you can purchase small padlocks at your hardware store, and place one in each of the chrome buckle loops for a fully locked saddlebag. If you always leave the padlocks in the two chrome buckles, the bags appear locked all the time. You now have the option of leaving the Quick-Release buckles locked or unlocked.

LOCKABLE YOKE ZIPPER The zipper on the mounting 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. When a small padlock is used, the saddlebags cannot be removed by unzipping.

TIP: Tape a spare key for all locks to a business card and keep in your wallet.

# LIMITED WARRANTY POLICY

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 saddlebags or visit 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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