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Noose Manual

Guidelines/Restrictions:

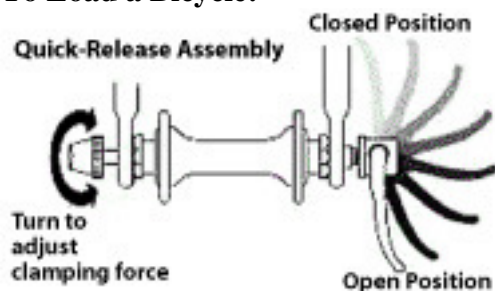
- This carrier is intended for elliptical shaped factory crossbars.
- Bicycles must be equipped with a quick release front wheel.
- Minimum crossbar spread is 16 inches, maximum 40 inches.
- Do not exceed the load capacity of your vehicle's roof rack, 2 bike maximum for factory bars.
- Bicycle weight limit is 35lbs with this carrier.
- Use of forks equipped with carbon fiber dropouts or forks without safety tabs will void the warranty.

Fit Note: The brackets have been designed to fit 98% of factory crossbars. The Nissan Xterra, Frontier, some Pathfinder SE, Volkswagen Toureg, and other oversize crossbars will require an oversize bolt kit (part # 1590, \$4.95). This can be obtained from your dealer or calling us at 800/873-1871. If the enclosed bolts are too short, this will be required. On the Pontiac Vibe and Toyota Matrix, the enclosed bolts are too long. You will need the Short Bolt Kit (part #0695, \$4.95).

Installation: Please reference the Photos

- 1) Slide the 2 Carriage Bolts (the thicker ones with the smooth heads) into the slot on the bottom of the Wheel Tray (Figure #1).
- 2) Place the entire assembly onto the factory crossbar of your car. Line up the large Mounting Plate over the front crossbar. Align the 2 Carriage Bolts you have slid into the Wheel Tray (Figure #2) on either side of the rear crossbar. Carefully open up and check the trunk does not hit the end of the Wheel Tray. If it does, move your crossbars forward, or face the bike rack backwards.
- 3) Enclosed are 3 Black Steel Brackets. Two are threaded and the other has larger, non threaded holes. Hold one Threaded Bracket (with the rubber side facing the bar) under the factory crossbar. Place a lock washer then a plastic washer on the allen bolts. Run the bolts through the corresponding holes in the Mounting Plate and into the holes in the Threaded Bracket (Figure #3). Repeat on the other side. Gradually tighten each bolt with the enclosed wrench, keeping the bracket level and even on the factory bar. **DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN.** Make sure they are snug and the Mounting Plate does not slide on the crossbar. If the bolts are too long, they can scratch the roof, please contact RockyMounts if this happens and do not install.
- 4) Line up the 2 Carriage bolts and pass them through the holes in the remaining bracket (the one with larger holes). Underneath the bracket, thread the 2 plastic WingNuts onto the bolts and gradually tighten (Figure #4)
- 5) Slide the Wheel Strap into the Wheel Tray (Figure #5) Install the quick release skewer into the fork mount.
- 6) If your vehicle has a sunroof, please carefully check the operation. If the sunroof interferes with the rack, reposition until clear.

To Load a Bicycle:



1) Remove the front wheel from the bicycle. Lift the bicycle onto the roof rack, placing the rear wheel in the tray, and fork onto the Quick Release. The Quick Release uses cam action to clamp. Because of its adjustable nature, it is critical you understand how it works and how much force you need to apply to secure the fork. With the handle in the open position, load the fork straight onto the quick release as pictured above. Be sure both fork dropouts are resting on the quick release. Turn the nut until finger tight. With the palm of your hand, close the handle. You should begin to feel resistance at the half-way point. The handle should close firmly and leave a small impression in the palm of your hand. If it is too loose, open the handle, tighten the nut $\frac{1}{4}$ turn and try again. If it is too tight (the handle does not close 180 degrees), open the lever back up and loosen the nut, and close the handle again. The handle should close firmly and securely.

The Quick Release Skewer is not an on/off switch. You must close the handle with enough tension to hold the bike. Rock the bike side to side to ensure proper mounting. The fork should be properly seated and not move. If at all unsure, please consult your dealer or RockyMounts.

Some mountain bike suspension forks have adjusters on the bottom of the fork, and the quick release can require more precision to operate. Our Locking Quick Releases are easier to use because of the size of the adjustment knob in these cases. They are available at www.rockymounts.com

2) Fasten the Wheel Strap by looping the end through the wheel and into the buckle. Close the buckle against the wheel tray. For a road or skinny tire, offset the wheel strap so it contacts the rim (i.e. pulls down on the rim). The rim should not be loose inside the tray. Before each use, please check all screws, wing nuts, and quick releases to be sure the rack is firmly attached. Periodically, remove the Noose from the vehicle for cleaning and inspection.

One Year Limited Warranty

Rocky Mounts Inc. Warrants to the original purchaser that the product will be free from defects in material and/or workmanship for one (1) year from the date of original retail purchase. Subject to the limitations stated below, Rocky Mounts will at its own expense during the one year warranty period repair or replace the defective component(s). The purchaser will be responsible for freight charges to Rocky Mounts. This warranty is only applicable if the instructions are correctly followed and the components are properly used. This warranty is not applicable if the defect is caused by normal wear and tear or exposure, the component(s) is damaged from misuse, abuse, fire, accident, alteration, mixing third party components with the system and/or unlawful operation of the vehicle. Rocky Mounts Inc. cannot and does not assume responsibility for any damages to any property arising out of the improper attachment to a vehicle or a bicycle to the system or use of its products. This limited warranty applies to Rocky Mounts products and not to the products used in conjunction with Rocky Mounts products.

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Noose SL/SLX instructions

