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USER GUIDE & INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

DESCRIPTION: Removable Driver's Backrest PART NUMBER: 11567 all

OVERVIEW:

These instructions cover the assembly, installation and adjustment of the removal driver's backrest for Saddlemen seats.

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.

⚠ WARNING:

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY BEFORE STARTING!

You are responsible for the correct installation and safe use of this product. Seek qualified instruction if you are uncertain about your capabilities and limitations or if you need help with installation. Use of this product in a manner other than its intended purpose or contradictory to the warnings and instruction provided could cause loss of control of your motorcycle, possibly resulting in personal injury or death.

- Do not use this product if any part of the mounting system has deteriorated, loosened or is beginning to fail. If you have any doubts as to the security of the installation, remove it immediately.
- After every stop check the security of your seat and backrest mounting, making sure that the mounting is secure.

DO NOT ATTEMPT TO USE THIS BACKREST 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 do not understand these instructions, how to safely and securely install this product or the warning label attached, please seek professional help at your qualified motorcycle dealer or by calling Saddlemen at 310-638-1222 .

To avoid injury, install while engine is cold.

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 backrest so it will not contact any portion of the drive train or suspension, and so it will in no way interfere with the operation of your motorcycle.

INSTALLATION:

This driver's backrest is only for Saddlemen Dominator seats that have the internal backrest hardware inside. **NOTE:** this will not work with any fender-mounted backrest hardware. Access is through a slot (sometimes covered by a flap) on the seat top behind the driver's lumbar support. The metal backrest bar will get inserted into this sleeve and can then be adjusted both vertically or fore and aft.

Your backrest may have come pre-assembled. If so, skip ahead to #2.

1. **ASSEMBLY** Remove the loosely assembled bolt, washers and nut. Find the Backrest Bar and assemble it to the Backrest Pad by inserting the end of the bar with the welded tubing into the chrome "C" bracket found underneath the pouch on the rear of the backrest. Re-install the bolt, washers and nut. The fore/aft adjustment screw on the bar should be facing forward on the bike. Slide the soft vinyl backrest bar cover sleeve over the bar, bringing the thumb screw through the hole in the cover sleeve.



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INSTALLATION *(continued)*

2. **INSTALLATION** Grasp the backrest bar and slide it into the hidden metal sleeve. You should feel it click into place. If backrest bar is “floppy” after insertion, it is not inside the metal sleeve. Remove and reinstall, making sure it is firmly in the correct position.

3. **ADJUST HEIGHT** The height of the backrest is adjustable to two or three positions, determined by detents on the backrest bar. Adjust height by firmly grasping the bar and lower or raise it to the desired height.

4. **ADJUST FORE/AFT POSITION** The fore/aft position of the backrest unit is adjusted by a thumb screw located under the backrest pad on the backrest bar. It is accessible through a hole in the backrest bar cover. Turning the screw in or out, will change the bar angle. This can slant the pad fore or aft by three inches. The most common and suggested starting position is with the backrest aligned directly above, and at the same angle as, the upward portion of the driver’s lumbar support. When you have adjusted the backrest to the desired angle, using a separate open end wrench, tighten the included jam nut against the backrest bar to prevent the screw from backing out while riding.

5. **ANGLE** The backrest pad is designed to automatically conform to the angle of the driver’s back during riding. No adjustment is necessary.

6. **REMOVAL** Grasp the backrest bar. Pull it firmly up and away from the seat.

7. **FOLDING** The backrest can be folded forward by pushing the top of the backrest forward. This will assist passenger boarding.

8. **TENSION** The tension of the folding process and the angle adjustment can be changed as desired. Tighten or loosen the two horizontal bolts passing through the backrest bar at the hinge and backrest pad attachment points.



CAUTION:

It is your responsibility to make sure the seat and backrest installation does not create an unsafe or illegal situation. Remember that this 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 and backrest 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 component can interfere with the vehicle’s operation and cause an unsafe riding condition.

NOTE:

CARE OF YOUR SADDLEMEN SEAT AND BACKREST Your seat and backrest will require almost no maintenance, other than periodic cleaning with mild soap and water.

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