

USER GUIDE & INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

DESCRIPTION: D440 Softail® Swingarm Bag **PART NUMBER:** 3501-1431 **FITMENT:** Softail style motorcycles

OVERVIEW:

Your Saddlemen® Softail Swingarm Bag was designed for simple and secure installation on a Harley-Davidson® Softail model motorcycle. Three attachment straps secure the accessory bag to the left side of the motorcycle's swing arm. The straps route through slots in the back side of the bag and around the tubular structure of the swing arm.

Cam-lock buckles allow you to tension the straps so they will hold the bag firmly in place on the swing arm. A securely strap is riveted to each attachment strap to prevent the cam-lock buckle from being inadvertently opened. A sheet of clear, self-adhesive plastic is included that you can cut to size to add protection to the swing arm to reduce scuff marks on the swing arm's painted surface from the bag and straps.



CONTENTS / PARTS INCLUDED:

QTY	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>ITEM</u>
1	Tool Bag	1	Protective Tape
3	Mounting Straps	1	Installation Instruction

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 this Saddlemen accessory, there could be 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 accessory bag. You must mount this bag properly and securely before riding your motorcycle. If you lack the ability to safely and properly install this accessory, 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 BAG:

- The bag must be installed and securely fastened onto your motorcycle.
- For your safety, install the bag securely so it will not shift or move while riding. Make sure the mounted bag will not contact the footpegs, controls or any other moving parts of your vehicle.
- Thoroughly inspect your bag before every ride. Do not use this bag if it has been modified, or has deteriorated, loosened or is beginning to fail.
- Before riding, secure and protect your cargo inside the bag (use special care to protect eye wear) and completely close any lid or flap.
- Do not exceed 3 pounds of total cargo weight, including the weight of the bag itself.
- Do not use this accessory if you have any doubts as to whether it is properly mounted to your motorcycle.
- Do not transport or store flammable or potentially explosive materials in your bag.
- Continually check the security of the bag at each stop as you ride. Hardware on a motorcycle can loosen during operation, so be sure to check it frequently
- When using this or any accessory, do not exceed your vehicle's Maximum Gross Vehicle Weight as listed in your vehicle's owner's manual.

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A WARNING:

- If your bag is ever damaged, do not use it until it has been inspected by your local professional motorcycle dealer. Replace the bag immediately if it has sustained damage that will prevent it from being properly secured to your motorcycle or being able to securely hold its contents.

 DO NOT ATTEMPT TO USE THIS ACCESSORY BAG 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 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 accessory bag so it will not contact any portion of the steering, suspension or drive train, and so it will in no way interfere with the operation of your motorcycle. If you do not know how to do this, or have any doubts as to your ability, please see a qualified motorcycle mechanic. To avoid injury, install while engine is cold.

INSTALLATION:

- 1. Position the bag on the left side of your motorcycle's swing arm and familiarize yourself with the location of the attachment strap holes on the backside of the bag. When the bag is in the proper location, the tubes of the swing arm will align in the center of the slots in the bag's back.
- 2. Note where the straps and the bag will touch the swing arm; you can apply the supplied protective adhesive sheeting to the tubes of the swing arm in those locations. Use a scissors to cut the sheet into the proper sizes. Wipe the swing arm tube clean and dry, remove the adhesive backing material and carefully apply the protective plastic to the swing arm. Keeping the buckle portion of the retention strap inside the bag, route each strap through a slotted hole, around the swing arm tube and back through the slotted hole adjacent to the hole you first passed the strap through.
- 3. With the lever portion of the cam-lock buckle open, pass the strap end through the buckle. Hold the buckle in place with one hand and pull the strap so it is tightened around the swing arm tube.
- 4. While there is firm tension on the strap, press the lever of the cam-lock down so it secures the strap in place. The attachment straps have a hook & loop security strap incorporated into their design. This additional strap covers the cam-lock lever so cargo in the bag or a hand will not accidentally open the buckle. If the buckle was to open, the attachment strap could lose tension on the swing arm and the bag could come loose, possibly getting caught in the rear wheel or suspension of the motorcycle.
- 5. Fold the "loop" segment of the hook & loop security strap over the cam-lock buckle lever. Fold the "hook" segment of the strap over the "loop" segment and press down where they overlap so they will remain connected.
- 6. Verify that the security straps are closed over the cam-lock lever of all three attachment straps. It is essential you properly tension the attachment straps, then secure the security straps over EVERY cam-lock lever to prevent inadvertent buckle opening.
- 7. The cargo flap has quick-release buckles hidden under the belt-style outer strap. Use your thumb and forefinger to press inward on the female portion of the buckle to allow the male section to come free. Use the belt-style portion of the straps to adjust their length so the bag can accommodate cargo of different sizes.

CAUTION:

Failure to install this accessory properly may allow portions of the bag or its mounting materials to contact the vehicle's moving parts. It is vital that you ensure that this accessory and/or any of its parts will not touch, or interfere with other components throughout the vehicle's entire range of motion, including steering. DO NOT connect any straps to flexible or moving parts (items such as rubber mounted turn signals, or shock absorbers). Make sure that your swingarm bag does not interfere with any other non-moving parts, as well, as they may be damaged from contact with this accessory.

After 50 miles (80 kilometers), recheck the mounting of the bag to make sure it is still securely attached to the fairing. Inspect the bag and its mounting before and during each ride. A loose bag can interfere with the vehicle's operation and cause an unsafe riding condition.

NOTE:

CARE OF YOUR SADDLEMEN BAG Your Saddlemen bag requires almost no maintenance other than periodic cleaning.

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 Saddlemen luggage 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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