

# **SADDLEMEN®**

## **PERFORMANCE CARBON FIBER**

### **USER GUIDE & INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**

**DESCRIPTION:** Saddlemen Performance Carbon Fiber Side Covers

<b>PART NUMBERS:</b> Saddlemen	Drag Specialties
CF-818-001 / M	0520-4273 / 0520-4274
CF-818-002 / M	0520-4275 / 0520-4276
CF-809-07-006 / M	0520-4269 / 0520-4270
CF-825-001 / M	0520-4277 / 0520-4278

### **CONTENTS / PARTS INCLUDED:**

Qty 2 Saddlemen Performance Carbon Fiber Side Covers, 1-left, 1-right

### **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:**

 California Proposition 65 Warning

**WARNING:** This product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. For more information: [www.P65/Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65/Warnings.ca.gov)

**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY BEFORE INSTALLATION!**

This is a specific fit accessory and is only meant to fit certain motorcycle models. You are responsible for the proper installation of this accessory on your motorcycle. Your attention to these installation instructions, any additional specific instructions and recommendations will permit the safe and proper use of this accessory. You must mount this accessory 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, you may need to 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.**

- If you do not understand these instructions DO NOT mount this accessory, and remove any related components you may have already installed on your motorcycle.
- Thoroughly inspect your motorcycle and all accessories before every ride. Do not use this accessory component if its mounting system has been modified, has deteriorated, loosened or is beginning to fail.
- Continually check the security of this and all other accessories at each stop as you ride. Items attached to your motorcycle can loosen during operation, so be sure to check them frequently.
- Do not use this accessory component if you have any doubts as to whether it is properly mounted to your motorcycle. You must be sure that the installation of the side covers accessory will not damage your motorcycle's painted or plated parts. Saddlemen is not responsible if you or your technician mounts this accessory and it damages your motorcycle for any reason.
- When using any 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 this accessory is ever damaged, remove it and do not use it until it has been inspected by your local professional motorcycle dealer. Replace any mounting part immediately if it has sustained damage that will prevent it from being properly secured to your motorcycle.

**DO NOT ATTEMPT TO USE THIS ACCESSORY COMPONENT IF:**

- You do not understand these installation and use instructions;
- You do not understand any part of how this accessory mounts to your motorcycle;
- 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.

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## ⚠ WARNING:

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 so it will not contact any portion of the drive train, suspension or steering, or if it will in any way interfere with the operation of your motorcycle.

## INSTALLATION:

To avoid injury, install while engine is cold.

Secure your motorcycle on a stand and ensure it will not fall over while working on it.

### SOFTAIL MODELS

1. See your owners manual for side cover removal instructions. Remove the bolts on each side and remove the side covers.
2. See Fig. A. You'll need to remove the cone shaped, rubber grommets from your stock side covers. Use a soapy water mixture as lubricant if needed. Transfer these grommets onto the new carbon fiber side covers.
3. See Fig. B. Using the original hardware, install the new side covers.
4. REMOTE PRELOAD ADJUSTER MODELS See Image C. Install the spacer provided in this kit on the lower bolt hole.

### TOURING MODELS

1. See your owners manual for side cover removal instructions. Remove your bike's side covers by carefully prying the three mounting points out of the frame grommets.
2. Install your new side covers by firmly pressing the three mounting points into corresponding frame grommets.

## ⚠ WARNING:

- It is vital that you verify that this accessory and/or any of its parts will not touch, or interfere with other components in the course of operation, as damage could occur.
- The configuration of this accessory with certain motorcycles may require relocation and/or adjustment of certain components on these vehicles. Check to be sure that all lights, turn signals, mirrors and safety reflectors are in place after installing this accessory. If necessary, place new reflectors on the exterior sides of the motorcycle. Reflectors with self-adhesive backing are available from motorcycle or automobile supply stores. It is your responsibility to make sure that the installation of this accessory does not create an unsafe or illegal condition.
- Before riding, visually check the mounting of these side covers and make sure there is clearance between them and any moving parts that could impair normal operation of the motorcycle.

It is your responsibility to make sure this accessory installation does not create an unsafe or illegal situation. Remember that this is a custom accessory. You must check the installation to determine if it will be safe for you to operate the motorcycle safely and legally. You must also ensure that the installation does not damage your vehicle in any way.

## CAUTION:

After 50 miles (80 kilometers), recheck the side covers' mounting to make sure they are still tight and secure. Loose fitment can cause interference with the vehicle's operation and can cause an unsafe riding condition. After that, check all accessory and fastener tightness during each regular maintenance check.

## 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 product 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 accessory, please contact the Saddlemen support line at (310) 638-1222.

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(Softail models only) The cone shaped rubber grommets on your original side covers must be transferred over to the new side covers.



Softail models (left) will reuse stock hardware to install your new side covers. Touring models (right) simply press onto the frame same as stock.



Softail models with Adjustable Preload Knob will use a small spacer (included) on the lower bolt hole