

# V-Rack

Version 2009.7

## ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

The simplest way to make this rack work properly is to read the instructions, follow these assembly recommendations and give a little care to the product.

Once you open the box, make sure all of the component parts are enclosed. If you find a discrepancy, call us and we will help you with any questions you may have. Our toll free number is 888-722-5240. If you call on the weekend or after hours, leave a message and we will return your call promptly. Our time zone is the Pacific Coast time zone. This information is also duplicated on our web site.

### V-Rack installation

- 1) Position lower end of rack around the hitch extension/insert
- 2) Flip arms over to point away from the vehicle
- 3) Roll the saddles into position, to accept the bike frame
- 4) Press cross bar mechanism downward until it locks into place
- 5) Adjust the saddles to accommodate your particular bikes (horizontally or vertically)

### Locking

- 1) Secure bicycles using enclosed locking cable. Insert the long shackle lock into hole in the end of the arm
- 2) Secure rack to hitch extension (stinger tube) by inserting a long shackle lock (Advantage® part no. 9010) into hole on the locking crossbar

### Adaptability

To accommodate many varieties of vehicles and hitches the V-Rack has accessories that can be purchased.

- **1<sup>1/4</sup> hitch adaptability with the V-Rack riser/convertor**



Item # 6008  
\$29.95

- **Receiver mount tube allows the V-Rack to be mounted without the use of a stinger tube**



Item # 6007  
\$14.95

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**Maintain an Advantage:**

This is one great product. Keep it in its best working condition by performing routine maintenance.

- ✓ Occasionally oil moving parts, especially if your roads are salted during the winter months or you live in an environment with salty air.
- ✓ Always check screws, bolts, straps and clips to make sure they are secured and in proper working order before each and every use. It is best to periodically check these during routine stops on each trip taken.

**Rules of the Road on the use of your Advantage® Sports Rack:**

Be safe, take extra time before you travel and make sure the rack and cargo are securely fastened and in proper order.

- ✓ Before you drive off, make sure every bolt and nut are tight and securely in place
- ✓ Do not use this product for anything other than for which it was designed. It is not designed to carry more than the specified amount.
- ✓ This product is not to be used as a stepladder or elevator in anyway.
- ✓ Remove the rack before entering a car wash
- ✓ Always check the rack to insure it is secure before and during your travels.
- ✓ Check to see if your bikes are securely fastened and make sure there is nothing dragging behind the vehicle.
- ✓ Use of loaded rack on rough road surfaces could result in bike damage due to bikes extending beyond the rear of vehicle.
- ✓ Feel free to call the toll free number for Advantage® Sports Rack with any questions you may have relating to this product and others from our company.

**Most important of all, have fun and enjoy the benefit of using this Advantage™ Sports Rack product.**

**Warning!**

Do not exceed load rating for the hitch-mounting bracket specified by its manufacturer. Consult hitch-mounting manufacture for load limit if not shown on mount or in the vehicle literature. If load limit is unknown, limit rack capacity to 2 bikes only. This carrier has been designed to attach securely to a vehicle. It may not be compatible with all travel trailer, fifth wheel or RV applications. However, your attachment is critical and beyond control of the manufacturer. The user of this carrier must secure it properly to the vehicle and you need to regularly inspect parts for wear or damage. The Manufacturer is not responsible for and does not guarantee the attachment of this carrier to any vehicle, and is not liable for any damages resulting from its attachment. The liability of Heininger Holdings, LLC is limited to the purchase price of the carrier components, which prove defective in materials and/or workmanship. Be aware that some countries/states/provinces require an unobstructed view of the vehicle license plate. If rack or its cargo obstructs the plate, you may need to relocate your plate. Consult your local vehicle code for restrictions and rules.