Installation Instructions

Tailgate Bike Pad for 2019-Current Jeep JT Gladiator Vehicles Item #14900701



Part List: Tailgate Bike Pad QTY 1

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SUPERIOR QUALITY

Required Tools: Safety Glasses

NOTICE	Before traveling, make sure the front tire assembly of your bike is only resting on the Bike pad. If your bike is touching the tailgate off the pad, damage to the vehicles paint can occur
NOTICE	It is extremely important that you keep the back side of the Bike Pad Clean. Wash the Bike pad with warm Soapy water often to keep dirt and road grime from building up and potentially causing paint damage.
WARNING	Never install this product while the engine is running. Before installing this product, put the vehicle in park and set the emergency brake. Always secure your bike(s) with the safety straps attached to the front of the pad before traveling.
CAUTION	RISK OF EYE INJURY. Safety glasses should be worn at all times while installing or maintaining this product.

Important Safety information

Your MasterTop® Tailgate Bike Pad is intended to provide tailgate protection from carrying bikes on your off-road capable vehicle. Before installation, please take a moment to review the following safety information and installation instructions. Important safety information is generally preceded by one of three signal words indicating the relative risk of injury. The signal words mean:

WARNING	a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury. You CAN be KILLED or SERIOUSLY HURT if you don't follow instructions.
CAUTION	a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury. You CAN be mod- erately HURT and also may suffer property damage if you don't follow instructions.
NOTICE	Careful attention is required to this instruction or operation but does generally not relate to personal injury. Damage to your MasterTop® product or other property/vehicle may result if you don't follow instructions.



When unpacking, check to make sure all parts are included. If any part is missing or broken, please call MasterTop customer service at 720-575-5440.

Pre-Installation of Tailgate Bike Pad



Threading Straps through Buckles:

Throughout the installation, you will need to thread webbing straps through buckles several times. Please review the picture for correct strap routing through the buckles. As a rule of thumb, run the strap below and through the sewn side of the buckle first and then back down through the end of the buckle. Tighten the strap by simply pulling the exposed webbing after threading the strap through the buckle.

Installation of Tailgate Bike Pad:









FIG 4





Step 1:

With the tailgate closed, locate the tailgate bike pad and position it on top of the closed tailgate. Adjust the pad so that the panel rest flat on the tailgate while the pad's lower straps dangle below as shown in FIG 2.

Step 2:

Open the tailgate of your vehicle slightly. Through the bottom of the tailgate, slip the two hanging center straps in-between the Tailgate and the bed of the truck. Make sure your straps Go through the tailgate opening. Fig's 3 & 4.

<u>CAUTION:</u> When using both hands to both hold the Tailgate open and slip the strap under the tailgate, be careful not to pinch your fingers as you slip the straps between the tailgate and truck bed.

Step 3:

Bring the straps towards the top of the tailgate and loosely connect the strap to buckle (Fig 5 & 6). Do not tighten these straps yet.

Step 4:

Repeat this procedure for the two outside straps. (Fig's 7 & 8).

Step 5:

Tighten and secure all four of the straps (FIG 9-Circled). Adjust the pad by rotating it or pulling it in the direction needed so the front facing safety straps are positioned as shown in FIG 9.





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Using the Tailgate Bike Pad:



Loading the bikes. Place the bikes on the tailgate, starting from the left side first. Make sure your bike's disc (where applicable)brake is facing out from the pad and the wheel is tilted out where possible. Position the bicycles so the front forks are resting on the bike pad and the back wheels touch the bed of the truck (FIG10). Use great care when placing the bikes inside the rear of your vehicle as not to scratch your truck bed with the pedals.

WARNING

Before traveling with the bikes in the back of your truck, the rear safety straps must be secured to the frame(s) of your bike(s). See FIG's 11 & 12 below. Failure to secure your Bike(s) with these straps can cause damage to your vehicle or other vehicles and possible injury or death.

Secure the bikes by hooking the safety straps around the bike frame as shown in FIG's11 & 12. See Warning above



It is extremely important that you frequently remove the bike pad and clean the back side of the pad that touches your tailgate paint. Use warm soapy water and a soft cloth often to clean and keep dirt and road grime from building up and potentially causing paint damage. After washing the bike pad, let it dry in the sun before re-installing.





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