Using a Bicycle Bag

- ALWAYS COMPLETE A PRE-RIDE INSPECTION.
- DO NOT OVERLOAD OR EXCEED THE MAXIMUM WEIGHT LIMIT. Overloading a bicycle bag can cause it to break, fall off, or interfere with your bicycle and its control.
- DO NOT ATTACH EQUIPMENT OR ACCESSORIES.
- DO NOT MODIFY BIKE, BAG OR ATTACHMENT SYSTEM.
- DO NOT USE BICYCLE BAGS ON OTHER VEHICLES SUCH AS A MOTORCYCLE. This bicycle bag may only be used on ordinary human-powered bicycles. It is not for use on motorcycles or other vehicles.
- DO NOT USE IN AGGRESSIVE MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDING, OR BMX RIDING, SUCH AS ‘FREE RIDING,’ ‘PIG RIDING,’ ‘NORTH SHORE,’ ‘SLOPESLIDE,’ ‘DIRT JUMPING,’ ETC. Your bag may become entangled with your bike, or your bike may become entangled with other bags.

Under no circumstances should a bicycle bag affect how your bike handles. You must be able to control your bike at all times.

- ADJUST BAG SIZE - DISTRIBUTION WEIGHT EVENLY. Some bags can be expanded or reduced in volume through opening or closing a zipper and/or by adjusting a bag compartment. If the bag is expanded, the expanded portion must be secured to prevent interference with an area of the bike. If you are carrying a small load, it is a good idea to close or reduce the bag to hold and stabilize the load.
- DO NOT USE A WORN-OUT BAG. Over time, exposure to elements will result in damage to any bicycle bag. When not riding, do not expose bags to the sun. Long exposure to the sun will allow UV light to deteriorate and damage fabrics and plastics weakening the material. Replace the bag with a new one when it is damaged or worn out.
- REMOVE ALL BAGS FROM A BICYCLE THAT IS PLACED ON AN AUTOMOBILE RACK. The force and frequency of the car can damage or cut the bag. The additional frontal area of bags would also add drag and wind noise. The additional frontal area of bags would also add drag and wind noise.
- MAINTAIN 50MM (2 IN) OF TIRE CLEARANCE. Measure between any part of the bags and tires to its maximum carrying weight and the bike tire (front or rear). Before you ride the bike, bounce the bike up and down, compress bike suspension (if present) to observe how bike and/or rack flexes, and THAT FLEXES. The bag will move, and if you have a suspension bike, the tires will move up and down. Your evaluation, and/or your retailer’s evaluation will move, and if you have a suspension bike, the tires will move up and down. Your evaluation, and/or your retailer’s evaluation will move, and if you have a suspension bike, the tires will move up and down. Your evaluation, and/or your retailer’s evaluation will move, and if you have a suspension bike, the tires will move up and down. Your evaluation, and/or your retailer’s evaluation will move, and if you have a suspension bike, the tires will move up and down. Your evaluation, and/or your retailer’s evaluation will move, and if you have a suspension bike, the tires will move up and down. Your evaluation, and/or your retailer’s evaluation will move, and if you have a suspension bike, the tires will move up and down. Your evaluation, and/or your retailer’s evaluation.
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Before riding with panniers, load the panniers and have a helper make the bike vigorously from side to side. Do the lower, rear corners of the panniers touch or come close to the rear wheel? If yes, there is a problem you must correct. The best solution to this problem may be a rack that has a perimeter frame designed to limit the movement of the panniers.

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Pre-Ride Inspection

After attaching a bicycle bag and before riding, do the following checks and correct any problem:

- Snaddle your bike and try all the controls. If the bag blocks or interferes with your ability to reach or use any bike control, you have a problem.
- Make sure the bag and bag attachment parts do not interfere: e.g., brake, saddle, pinch or shifter cables. If they do, there is a problem.
- Bounce the bike vigorously on the ground, to test. Make sure the bag will not shake off, rattle or become loose. If it does, you have a problem.
- Stand next to the bike or place the bike in a work stand. Spin the wheels. If any part of any rim is rubbing on the tire, you have a problem.
- Can you still see the front, clear reflector? Can you still see the rear, red reflector? You must have both a rear and front reflector. The bag must not obstruct them. Your reflectors may be able to relocate the reflectors, and we urge you add flashes and a headlight. If you are riding at dusk, dawn or night, you must make yourself visible to motorists. Use front and rear lights. Reflectors alone do not provide adequate visibility. Any reflective item is only supplementary, not adequate alone and not a substitute for legally required reflectors and lights.

When the bag is in use, periodically check to see that:

- The bag is properly attached to your bicycle. Vibration, road shock, handling, and many other factors may affect attachment. If your bag is loose or has moved, properly attach it before riding.
- The bag is not chafed or worn. Chafing and wear may indicate an area that is rubbing and could be a hazard. Find and eliminate the area that is rubbing and could be a hazard. Find and eliminate the area that is rubbing and could be a hazard. Find and eliminate the area that is rubbing and could be a hazard. Find and eliminate the area that is rubbing and could be a hazard.
- The bag has no cracked parts. A cracked part may fail and must be replaced before you ride.
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Warning

• Attach Panniers Only To Properly Installed Bike Rack. Bicycle rack installation should be done by an experienced bicycle mechanic. There are many dropout designs and rack designs, and many different designs, so Cannondale cannot describe the proper installation of a rack for any particular bicycle. Mounting a rack securely to the bicycle without using appropriate hardware and techniques is very important.
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Using the Pannier Cover

To deploy the protective covering, remove from the storage pocket on the back of the pannier and stretch over to cover panier. Be sure to allow the cover to dry before returning it to the pocket.

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Adjust Hook Positions to Rack

With the hook allowed to hang and for use on a rear bike rack only. Do not install them on front racks. To mount on a rack, center the back in the middle and between the rack rails. Route the bag straps under the rails, then loop each strap over the hook and press together the strap hook and loop sections. Rack is shown removed from bike to illustrate strap positions. The bag can be installed without removing the rack.
Seat Bag Maximum Weight Limit

2 Lbs, 1.0 kg

Hook and Loop Strap Attachment

Hook and loop seat bags have a fabric fastener with a rough hook side and a softer fuzzy loop side. When pushed together, tiny hooks engage the loops to form an adjustable fastening system. This type of seat bag attaches to the bicycle seat using a pair of hook and loop straps. Loop the lid strap (1) over both seat rails (2), insert the strap end into the lid slot. Draw the strap tight and press the hook and loop sections together firmly.

Combining Attachment

Seat Cleat with Hook and Loop

This type of seat bag attaches to the bicycle seat using a rail-clamp (1) and a seatpost hook and loop strap on the front part of the bag. By first locating the cleat at an angle between the seat rails, the turning to straighten and lock, the cleat secures the rear part of the bag to the seat rails. Seats with seat rails (2) that are too far apart, or ones that just barely hold within the cleat, are not compatible with the bag. Both the seat post strap and the cleat must be used.

ClickFix® Attachment System

This type of seat bag attaches to the underside of a bicycle seat using the ClickFix® attachment system. The clamp (1) is secured to the seat rails behind the seat post. A small tab fixture on the top of the bag “clicks” into the clamp to hold the bag. You should hear the “click” whenever you attach the bag to the clamp. Press the red button (1) of the clamp to remove the bag. Saddles with rails that are too far apart, or ones that just barely hold the seat rails within the clamp device, are not compatible with the bag.

Handlebar Bag Maximum Weight Limit

4 Lbs, 1.8 kg

Hook and Loop Strap Attachment

Hook and loop handlebar bags have a fabric fastener with a rough hook side and a softer fuzzy loop side. When pushed together, tiny hooks engage the loops to form an adjustable fastening system. This type of handlebag attaches to the center of the bicycle handlebar using a pair of hook and loop straps. Draw the strap tight and press the hook and loop sections together firmly.

ClickFix® Attachment System

This type of seat bag attaches to the handlebar using a ClickFix® attachment system. A mounting device (1) is secured to the handlebar. A fixture (2) comes pre-installed on the back of the bag. Item (3) “clicks” into the mount and secures the bag. You should hear the “click” whenever you attach the bag to the mount. Press the red button (4) to remove the bag.

Using the KlickFix® Product Instructions


Mounting the Seat Adapter to Bike

Press the rails into the bracket. Inside the handlebar loops with the adapter. The opening must point to the back. Adjust the adapter in the rails to the correct position and fasten screws tightly.

Installing and Removing

The bag accessory locks into the seat mounted adapter. Align, insert and press until audible “click” is heard. To remove, press and hold adapter red buttons and slide out bag accessory from adapter slot.

Using the Mini-Pannier Feature

The mini panniers feature the increased volume of cargo you may carry. To use this feature, unpin the front most zipper on the side pockets. Fold down the mini pannier. Find the elastic shock cord at the bottom inside edge of the mini pannier. You must attach this elastic shock cord to a pannier hook or other hook on the lower part of your rack. Access to the mini pannier is through the same zipper used to access the side pocket. This mini pannier is not designed to carry additional weight, and lacks the strength and stiffness to do so safely. Use them for relatively light, somewhat bulky items.

Positioning of security cable

Feed cable from under front Click the two nylon straps on the pocket on the front of the bag and stretch it over the bag to cover it.