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## USER GUIDE & INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

**DESCRIPTION:** BR4100 Backrest Bag  
**PART NUMBERS:** 3501-0322

BR4100 Tactical Backrest Bag  
3501-1364

### OVERVIEW:

- Made to fit onto the passenger seat of touring motorcycles with a rear trunk, also providing a comfortable backrest for the driver.
- Rugged blend of 1200 Denier Saddle-Tuff™ and leather-like vinyl panels are UV, water and weather-resistant, and look great.
- Quick disconnect mounting system easily attaches bag to your motorcycle's back seat and trunk, and provides easy removal.
- Sturdy grip top handle plus backpack straps, are included for carrying off the bike.
- Large 67-liter, 4100-cubic inch capacity, with top-loading main compartment, holds a variety of cargo.
- Insulated side pouches keep drinks or snacks hot or cold, and elastic cargo nets provide fast access to things you need on the road.
- Top accessory straps allow you to add on a Saddlemen roll bag, or extra jacket, while side mesh pouches are perfect for maps.
- Hanging loop (can be used to hang the bag for storage)
- Multiple D-rings (for securing the bag to the motorcycle)
- Large, lined inner storage compartment (can accept large cargo items)
- Outside storage pocket (at back of bag)
- Inner, zippered mesh storage pocket in main compartment (under main flap)
- BR4100 Tactical also includes numerous MOLLE accessory attachment points, as well as an adjustable strap system for mounting the bag onto aissy bar pad with a luggage rack.

### CONTENTS / PARTS INCLUDED:



BR4100 Tactical

Qty	Item
1	Backrest Bag
2	Mounting Straps w/snap hook
1	Security Strap w/quick release buckle
1	Backpack Strap
1	Rain Cover
1	Instructions



BR4100

### IMPORTANT:

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 this bag may result if improperly installed.

### NOTICE TO DEALERS:

These instructions contain important information for future reference and should be given to the customer.

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## CAUTION:

### 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 luggage onto your motorcycle. Your attention to these installation instructions and recommendations will permit safe and proper use of this luggage. You must mount this bag properly and securely before riding your motorcycle. If you lack the ability to safely and properly install this bag, 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 bag 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 LUGGAGE:

- For your safety, mount this bag securely so it will not shift or move while riding. Make sure it will not contact the controls or any other moving parts of your vehicle.
- When using this or any accessory, do not exceed your saddlebag's Maximum Cargo Load Capacity, or your vehicle's Maximum Gross Vehicle Weight as listed on your vehicle or in the manufacturer's owner's manual.
- Continually check the security of this luggage at each stop as you ride. Hardware and straps on a motor vehicle can loosen during operation, so be sure to check these items frequently.
- If this bag is ever damaged, do not use it until inspected by a professional motorcycle dealer. Replace immediately if it has damage that will prevent it from being properly secured to your vehicle or if it will not securely function as intended.
- If you do not understand the mounting instructions or this warning label DO NOT mount this bag. Contact your local professional motorcycle dealer for assistance, or call the Saddlemen support line at (310) 638-1222.

### DO NOT ATTEMPT TO USE THIS LUGGAGE 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 a qualified motorcycle dealer or call the Saddlemen support line at (310) 638-1222.

To avoid injury, install while engine is cold.

## INSTALLATION:

Your Saddlemen Backrest Bag was designed to be mounted on a variety of motorcycles, and is especially well suited for mounting on touring motorcycles equipped with a rear trunk. The bag is shaped to rest on top of the passenger seat behind the rider (driver) to nest into the concave shape of the touring trunk. Your bag includes mounting straps that should attach to the rear rack, passenger grab rail, or other solid points on the motorcycle to hold the bag in place. You (or your professional motorcycle technician) will need to determine the best mounting configuration for your bike.

- Make sure that the position of the bag does not interfere with the operator or operation of the motorcycle.
- The two identical mounting straps (1) included with the bag are to be clipped to the D-rings on each side of the bag (2). The other ends of the straps are to be secured around a rigid part of the motorcycle, such as the saddlebag guards, passenger grab rails or lower rack supports.
- Once attached, make sure the bag is prevented from moving side to side and forward or rearward. Test the bag for movement under moderate pressure and reconnect or tighten the straps until the bag is securely attached to the bike.
- An additional security strap (3) can be attached to the rear portion of the bag (4) using the strap's quick disconnect fastener. This strap may be routed over the bike's trunk-mounted passenger backrest pad and through a trunk-mounted rack (if the motorcycle is so equipped), for further mounting security.
- A strap is also located at the lower rear of the bag (5), which can be routed and tightened around a sissy bar or rack support, to further secure the bag as needed.



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## FEATURES:

**RAIN COVER** On the rear of the main bag, there's a pouch where the Rain Cover is located (6). Carefully place the rain cover over the bag so the cinching cord is around the base of the luggage. Once the cover is in place, cinch it tight at the base by pulling on the cord and locking it in place with the barrel-shaped cord lock.

Take extra care when installing the rain cover so it will not come loose or interfere with the motorcycle's controls, suspension, wheels or other components. Do not operate your motorcycle unless you are certain the rain cover is properly secured.

## CAUTION:

Attaching the mounting straps to solid mounting points is essential in order for the bag to stay attached to the motorcycle during rough riding conditions. Once attached, make sure the bag is unable to move from side to side or forward and rearward. Test the bag for movement under moderate pressure, and reconnect or tighten the straps until the bag is securely attached to the bike. After installing the bag, cut off or secure any excess security strap material so it will not interfere with the motorcycle's controls, suspension, wheels or other components. After cutting strap material, seal cut edge of the strap with the flame from a cigarette lighter (use caution and a small amount of flame to not excessively burn the strap). Do not operate the motorcycle if the straps are still in place after removing the bag, as the straps could interfere with the safe operation of the vehicle.

## IMPORTANT:

**DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN THE MOUNTING STRAPS:** Overtightening the mounting straps can cause the D-rings to separate from the bag. Use additional mounting straps rather than overtightening the straps.

## ⚠ WARNING:

- Failure to install any of these accessories properly may allow portions of a bag or its mounting straps to come into contact with the motorcycle's moving parts or controls. It is vital that you verify that neither the accessory, nor any of its parts touch, or interfere with, other motorcycle components while the steering and suspension moves through its entire range of motion.
- Make sure that your Backrest Bag does not touch the exhaust or other non-moving components, as it may be damaged from such contact.
- It is your responsibility to make sure the installation of this accessory does not create an unsafe or illegal condition. Check to be sure that all lights and safety reflectors are visible once your accessory bag is in place. If the bag blocks any side reflectors, place reflectors on the exterior sides of the bags (reflectors with self-adhesive backing are available from motorcycle or automobile supply stores).

## CAUTION:

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.

After 50 miles (80 kilometers), recheck the security of all mounting straps. Inspect periodically during normal maintenance checks thereafter. Inspect the bag and related hardware before, and during, each ride. A loose bag or hardware can interfere with the vehicle's operation and cause an unsafe riding condition.

## NOTE:

**CARE AND CLEANING** Your Saddlemen bag requires almost no maintenance other than periodic cleaning with mild soap and water and the application of a UV inhibitor to prevent color fading caused by UVA and UVB sun exposure. We recommend Ray Bloc Fabric Protector or a similar product, which can be purchased online or at your local home improvement store. Fading due to lack of maintenance is not covered by warranty.

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

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