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1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The American Lock Model A825 Straight Bar Hasp is a robust security device designed to secure various applications such as trailers, van doors, sheds, storage buildings, and vending machines. Constructed from hardened steel with a zinc-plated finish, this hasp offers enhanced resistance against cutting, sawing, hammering, and environmental corrosion. It is designed to be used in conjunction with a padlock (sold separately) to provide a secure locking point.



Image 1.1: The American Lock Model A825 Straight Bar Hasp, featuring its zinc-plated hardened steel construction.

2. SAFETY INFORMATION

- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), such as safety glasses and gloves, during installation.
- Ensure the mounting surface is stable and capable of supporting the hasp and resisting forced entry attempts.
- Keep small parts, such as mounting hardware, out of reach of children to prevent choking hazards.
- Do not modify the hasp. Any alterations may compromise its security features and void the warranty.

3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Verify that all components are present before beginning installation:

- 1 x American Lock Model A825 Straight Bar Hasp
- Mounting hardware (screws/bolts suitable for typical installation)

4. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

Proper installation is crucial for the security performance of the hasp. Follow these steps carefully:

1. **Select Mounting Location:** Choose a flat, stable surface on both the door/gate and the frame where the hasp will be installed. Ensure there is sufficient clearance for the hasp to pivot and for a padlock to be inserted.
2. **Position the Hasp:** Place the main body of the hasp (the part with the staple) on the door/gate and the receiving plate on the frame. Align them so that the staple can pass through the receiving plate smoothly when the door/gate is closed.
3. **Mark Mounting Holes:** Use a pencil or marker to mark the locations for drilling through the pre-drilled holes on both parts of the hasp.
4. **Drill Pilot Holes:** Drill pilot holes at the marked locations. The size of the drill bit should be slightly smaller than the diameter of the mounting hardware to ensure a secure fit.
5. **Attach the Hasp:** Securely fasten both parts of the hasp to the door/gate and frame using the provided mounting hardware. Ensure all screws or bolts are tightened firmly. For maximum security, consider using carriage bolts or through-bolts with nuts on the inside, if the application allows.
6. **Test Operation:** Close the door/gate and engage the hasp. Ensure the staple aligns correctly with the receiving plate and that a padlock can be easily inserted and removed.

5. OPERATION

The American Lock A825 Hasp is designed for straightforward operation:

1. **To Secure:** Close the door or object you wish to secure. Pivot the straight bar of the hasp so that the staple passes through the opening on the receiving plate.
2. **Insert Padlock:** Insert the shackle of a compatible padlock (not included) through the staple.
3. **Lock Padlock:** Close and lock the padlock according to its manufacturer's instructions. This prevents the hasp from being opened.
4. **To Unsecure:** Unlock and remove the padlock. Pivot the straight bar of the hasp away from the receiving plate to open the secured item.

6. MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance helps ensure the longevity and proper function of your hasp:

- **Cleaning:** Periodically wipe down the hasp with a damp cloth to remove dirt and grime. Avoid abrasive cleaners that could damage the zinc plating.
- **Inspection:** Regularly inspect the hasp for any signs of wear, damage, or corrosion. Check that all mounting hardware remains tight.
- **Lubrication:** If the pivoting mechanism becomes stiff, apply a small amount of silicone-based lubricant to the pivot points.
- **Rust Prevention:** While zinc-plated, prolonged exposure to harsh weather conditions can eventually lead to corrosion. Consider applying a rust-inhibiting spray if the hasp is in an exposed outdoor environment.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

Most issues with a hasp are related to installation or environmental factors:

- **Hasp does not align properly:** This usually indicates incorrect initial alignment during installation. Re-evaluate the positioning of both hasp components and adjust as necessary.
- **Hasp is stiff to open/close:** Check for debris obstructing the pivot points. Clean and lubricate as described in the Maintenance section. Ensure mounting screws are not overtightened, which could bind the mechanism.
- **Signs of rust:** Clean the affected area and apply a rust-inhibiting primer and paint, or consider replacing the hasp if corrosion is extensive and compromises structural integrity.
- **Mounting hardware loose:** Retighten all screws or bolts. If threads are stripped, replace the hardware with larger diameter fasteners or relocate the hasp slightly.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Number	A825
Brand	American Lock
Material	Hardened Steel
Finish	Zinc Plated
Type	Straight Bar Hasp
Resistance	Cutting, Sawing, Hammering
Recommended Uses	Trailers, van doors, sheds, storage buildings, vending machines
Included	Mounting hardware

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For information regarding warranty coverage or technical support for your American Lock Model A825

Straight Bar Hasp, please refer to the official American Lock website or contact their customer service department directly. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase.

Contact Information: Please visit the [Master Lock Company LLC website](#) (parent company of American Lock) for the most current support options and contact details.

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