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## Thule KIT3145

# Thule 183145 Kit Rapid Fixpoint 3145

## INSTRUCTION MANUAL

## Product Overview

The Thule 183145 Rapid Fixpoint Kit is an essential component for securely attaching Thule roof bars to vehicles equipped with specific fixpoints on the roof. This kit ensures a precise and stable connection, crucial for the safe transport of cargo. It is designed to be compatible with Thule Rapid System feet 753 or 751 and is engineered for specific vehicle models, ensuring an optimal fit without causing damage to your vehicle's finish.



Figure 1: Thule Rapid Fixpoint Kit Packaging. This image shows the black packaging box for the Thule Rapid Fixpoint Kit, featuring the Thule logo prominently.

## Setup and Installation

Proper installation of the Thule Rapid Fixpoint Kit is critical for safety and performance. This kit is designed to be mounted on the existing fixpoints on your vehicle's roof. Always ensure that the kit is compatible with your specific vehicle model and with Thule Rapid System feet 753 or 751.

## Components Overview:



*Figure 2: Kit Components.* This image displays the individual components of the Thule Rapid Fixpoint Kit, including the metal bracket and the plastic base, ready for assembly.



*Figure 3: Rapid System Foot Component.* A detailed view of one of the Thule Rapid System foot components, highlighting its design and connection points.

### **General Installation Steps:**

- 1. Verify Compatibility:** Confirm that this specific kit (183145) is listed as compatible with your vehicle model and that you have the correct Thule Rapid System feet (753 or 751).
- 2. Locate Fixpoints:** Identify the designated fixpoints on your vehicle's roof. These are typically covered by small caps or flaps.
- 3. Assemble Kit Components:** Follow the detailed instructions provided in the manufacturer's manual (not included here) to assemble the metal brackets and plastic bases of the fixpoint kit.
- 4. Attach to Vehicle:** Securely attach the assembled fixpoint kit to your vehicle's roof fixpoints. Ensure all bolts and fasteners are tightened to the manufacturer's specified torque settings.
- 5. Mount Roof Bars:** Once the fixpoint kit is securely installed, attach your Thule Rapid System roof bars to the kit. Double-check all connections for tightness and stability.
- 6. Final Check:** Before driving, gently shake the installed roof rack system to ensure it is firmly attached and there is no excessive movement.



Figure 4: Assembled Fixpoint Kit. This image shows the Thule Rapid Fixpoint Kit fully assembled, demonstrating how the foot and mounting plate integrate.

## Operating Guidelines

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Once installed, the Thule Rapid Fixpoint Kit, in conjunction with your Thule roof bars, provides a robust platform for carrying cargo. Adhere to the following guidelines for safe operation:

- **Maximum Load Capacity:** The maximum permissible load on Thule roof bars, when used with this kit, is **70 kilograms (154 pounds)**. Never exceed this weight limit, as it can compromise safety and damage your vehicle or the roof rack system.
- **Secure Cargo:** Always ensure that any cargo placed on the roof bars is securely fastened using appropriate straps or tie-downs. Distribute weight evenly.
- **Driving Adjustments:** Be aware that adding a roof rack and cargo will affect your vehicle's handling, braking, and fuel consumption. Drive cautiously, especially in windy conditions or when cornering.
- **Height Clearance:** Remember the increased height of your vehicle when entering garages, car washes, or low-clearance areas.

## Maintenance

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Regular maintenance will prolong the life of your Thule Rapid Fixpoint Kit and ensure continued safe operation:

- **Periodic Checks:** Regularly inspect all components of the kit and roof bars for signs of wear, damage, or corrosion. Check the tightness of all bolts and fasteners, especially after initial installation and after long journeys.
- **Cleaning:** Clean the kit components periodically with mild soap and water. Avoid harsh chemicals or abrasive materials that could damage the finish or plastic parts.
- **Storage:** If removing the roof rack system for extended periods, store the components in a dry, clean place away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures.

## Troubleshooting

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If you encounter issues with your Thule Rapid Fixpoint Kit, consider the following common problems and solutions:

- **Loose Fit or Movement:**
  - Ensure all bolts and fasteners are tightened to the recommended torque.
  - Verify that the kit is correctly seated on the vehicle's fixpoints.
  - Confirm that the kit is the correct one for your specific vehicle model.

- **Missing Parts:**

- Carefully check the packaging and all components against the parts list in the original manufacturer's manual.
- If parts are genuinely missing upon receipt, contact your retailer or Thule customer support immediately.

- **Incorrect Kit Received:**

- Verify the model number on the packaging and the components against your order and vehicle compatibility guide.
- If an incorrect kit was received, contact your retailer for an exchange.

For issues not covered here, or if problems persist, please refer to the comprehensive Thule user manual that came with your product or contact Thule customer support.

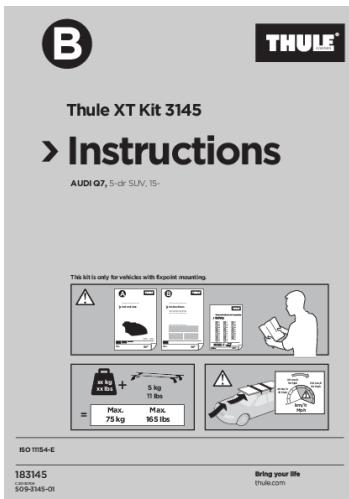
## Specifications

Attribute	Value
Brand	Thule
Model Number	KIT3145
Manufacturer	Thule GmbH
Item Weight	930 g (2.05 lbs)
Product Dimensions (L x W x H)	21.59 x 15.88 x 7.62 cm (8.5 x 6.25 x 3 inches)
Color	Black
Vehicle Service Type	Car
Material	Other (typically durable plastics and metals)
Foldable	No
Maximum Load Capacity	70 kilograms (154 pounds)
Mounting Type	U-bolt (referring to the general fixation method, though the kit uses specific fixpoints)
International Article Code (EAN)	07313020073774

## Warranty and Support

**Warranty Information:** Specific warranty terms and conditions for the Thule 183145 Rapid Fixpoint Kit are provided by Thule. Please refer to the warranty documentation included with your purchase or visit the official Thule website for detailed information regarding coverage, duration, and claims procedures.

**Customer Support:** For technical assistance, installation queries, or any other support needs related to your Thule product, please contact Thule customer service directly. Contact information can typically be found on the official Thule website or in the product packaging.



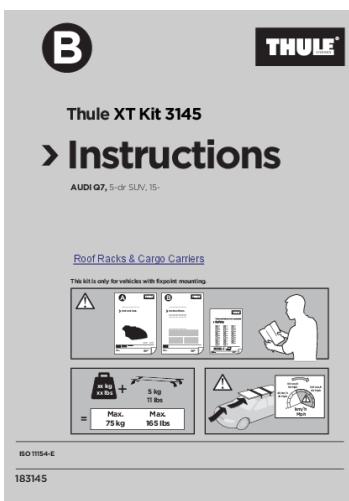
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