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John Deere VG12289

John Deere Gator Storage Compartment Kit

Model: VG12289

For Gator 4X2 & 6X4 Utility Vehicles

Introduction

This manual provides instructions for the proper installation, operation, and maintenance of the John Deere Gator Storage Compartment Kit, model VG12289. This kit is designed to add convenient storage space to compatible John Deere Gator utility vehicles. Please read this manual thoroughly before installation and use to ensure safe and correct application.



Image: The John Deere Gator Storage Compartment Kit (VG12289) shown from an angled perspective, highlighting its overall shape and design.

Safety Information

Always observe safety precautions when working with machinery and accessories. Failure to follow these instructions may result in injury or damage to the product or vehicle.

- Ensure the vehicle is turned off, parked on a level surface, and the parking brake is engaged before beginning installation.
- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), such as gloves and eye protection.
- Do not overload the storage compartment. Refer to your Gator's owner's manual for overall vehicle weight limits.
- Keep hands and clothing clear of moving parts during installation and operation.
- If you are unsure about any installation step, consult a qualified technician or your John Deere dealer.

Package Contents

Verify that all components are present before beginning installation:

- 1 x John Deere Gator Storage Compartment (VG12289)
- *Note: Fasteners for installation are typically not included with this kit and may need to be sourced separately or reused from existing vehicle components.*

Compatible Models

This storage compartment kit (VG12289) is designed for the following John Deere Gator Utility Vehicle models:

- HPX615E
- HPX815E
- XUV620I
- XUV625i
- XUV825i
- XUV825I S4
- XUV850D
- XUV855D
- XUV855D S4
- XUV825E
- XUV825M
- XUV825M S4
- XUV855E
- XUV855M

- XUV855M S4

Please verify your Gator model number before attempting installation.

Setup and Installation

Follow these steps to install the storage compartment kit into your John Deere Gator.

Tools Required (Not Included):

- Appropriate wrench or socket set (size dependent on fasteners used)
- Screwdriver (if applicable)
- Cleaning cloth

Installation Steps:

1. **Prepare the Vehicle:** Ensure your John Deere Gator is parked on a flat, stable surface with the engine off and the parking brake engaged.
2. **Identify Installation Location:** Locate the designated storage compartment area on your Gator. This is typically a recessed area under the seat or within the cargo bed structure. Clean the area thoroughly to remove any dirt or debris.
3. **Position the Compartment:** Carefully place the VG12289 storage compartment into the identified recess. Ensure it sits flush and aligns with any existing mounting points or contours of the vehicle.



Image: Top view of the storage compartment, showing the opening and general shape for proper positioning.

4. **Secure the Compartment:** The compartment features pre-drilled holes for securing it to the vehicle. Align

these holes with the corresponding mounting points on your Gator. Insert appropriate fasteners (screws or bolts, not included) through these holes and tighten them securely. Do not overtighten.



Image: Inside view of the storage compartment, highlighting the two circular mounting holes for securing it to the vehicle.

5. **Verify Secure Fit:** After tightening all fasteners, gently attempt to move the compartment to ensure it is firmly secured and does not wobble.



Image: Bottom view of the storage compartment, illustrating its base and how it would sit within the Gator's structure.

Operating Instructions

The storage compartment is designed for convenient access and secure storage of small items.

- **Access:** Depending on your Gator model, the compartment may be accessed by lifting the seat or opening a designated panel.
- **Storage:** Place items securely within the compartment. Avoid placing sharp or heavy objects that could damage the compartment or shift during vehicle operation.
- **Capacity:** Do not exceed the recommended weight capacity for the compartment or the overall vehicle.

Maintenance

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and proper function of your storage compartment.

- **Cleaning:** Clean the compartment periodically with a mild soap and water solution. Rinse thoroughly and allow to dry completely before closing.
- **Inspection:** Periodically check the mounting fasteners for tightness. Retighten if necessary. Inspect the compartment for any cracks or damage.
- **Storage:** If the vehicle is stored outdoors, ensure the compartment is empty and dry to prevent moisture accumulation.

Troubleshooting

Refer to the table below for common issues and their solutions.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Compartment feels loose after installation.	Fasteners are not sufficiently tightened.	Retighten all mounting fasteners. Ensure they are snug but do not overtighten.
Compartment does not fit correctly.	Incorrect Gator model or improper alignment.	Verify your Gator model is listed under 'Compatible Models'. Re-align the compartment carefully. Do not force it into place.
Water or debris inside compartment.	Improper sealing or exposure to elements.	Ensure the compartment lid (if applicable) is properly closed. Clean out debris. Consider additional weather sealing if needed (not part of original kit).

Specifications

- **Model Number:** VG12289
- **Product Dimensions:** 17 x 11 x 2.5 inches (approximately)
- **Item Weight:** 2.5 pounds (approximately)
- **Material:** Durable plastic (inferred from images)
- **Manufacturer:** John Deere

Warranty and Support

This John Deere Original Equipment product is subject to John Deere's standard warranty terms. For specific warranty details, please refer to the documentation provided with your John Deere Gator utility vehicle or contact an authorized John Deere dealer.
For technical assistance, parts inquiries, or further support, please contact your local authorized John Deere dealer or visit the official John Deere website.

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