

MAXXHAUL 50641

MaxxHaul 50641 2-in-1 Hitch Mount Cargo Carrier and 2-Bike Rack User Manual

Model: 50641

INTRODUCTION

The MaxxHaul 50641 is a versatile 2-in-1 hitch-mounted accessory designed to function as both a cargo carrier and a 2-bike rack. It is constructed from heavy-duty steel and has a maximum weight capacity of 500 lbs. This product is compatible with standard 2-inch hitch receivers and includes a hitch tightener to minimize movement and rattling. This manual provides essential information for the safe assembly, operation, and maintenance of your MaxxHaul 50641 unit.

SAFETY INFORMATION

Read and understand all instructions before assembly and use. Failure to follow these instructions may result in property damage or personal injury.

- **Maximum Weight Capacity:** Do not exceed the stated maximum weight capacity of 500 lbs (226.8 kg) for the cargo carrier or the maximum weight capacity of your vehicle's hitch receiver, whichever is lower.
- **Secure All Loads:** Always ensure all cargo and bikes are securely fastened to the carrier using appropriate tie-down straps. Loose items can shift during transit, causing instability or falling off.
- **Hitch Receiver Compatibility:** This carrier is designed for 2-inch (5.08 cm) hitch receivers only. Do not attempt to use with other hitch sizes.
- **Hitch Tightener:** Always install and properly tighten the included hitch tightener to reduce sway and rattling during travel.
- **Vehicle Clearance:** Ensure adequate ground clearance and clearance from exhaust systems. Hot exhaust can damage cargo.
- **Visibility:** Ensure that the carrier and its load do not obstruct your vehicle's taillights, brake lights, or license plate. Use auxiliary lighting if necessary.
- **Driving Adjustments:** Drive cautiously, especially when turning, braking, or driving over uneven terrain. The added weight and length will affect vehicle handling.
- **Regular Inspection:** Before each use, inspect the carrier for any signs of damage, loose fasteners, or wear. Do not use if damaged.

SETUP AND ASSEMBLY

Carefully unpack all components and verify that all parts are present before beginning assembly. Refer to the included parts list for identification.

Components Overview

The MaxxHaul 50641 includes the main cargo platform, hitch bar, bike cradles, tie-down straps, and a hitch tightener, along with necessary hardware for assembly.



Image: The MaxxHaul 50641 cargo carrier and bike rack attached to the rear of a truck, ready for use.

Assembly Steps

1. **Attach Hitch Bar:** Secure the hitch bar to the main cargo platform using the provided bolts and nuts. Ensure all connections are tight.
2. **Install Bike Cradles (Optional):** If using as a bike rack, attach the bike cradles to the designated slots on the cargo

platform. These cradles can be folded down or removed when not in use.

3. **Insert into Hitch Receiver:** Slide the assembled carrier's hitch bar into your vehicle's 2-inch hitch receiver. Align the pinholes.
4. **Secure with Hitch Pin:** Insert your vehicle's hitch pin (not included) through the aligned holes and secure it with a clip.
5. **Install Hitch Tightener:** Position the U-bolt of the hitch tightener around the hitch bar and secure it with the plate and nuts. Tighten firmly to eliminate play and rattling between the carrier and the hitch receiver.



Easily Folded and Removed



Image: A detailed view of the hitch stabilizer (tightener) properly installed on the hitch bar, reducing movement.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Using as a Cargo Carrier

When using the unit as a cargo carrier, ensure the bike cradles are either folded down or removed to maximize space. The elevated side rails provide multiple tie-down points for securing your load.

1. **Prepare the Carrier:** Ensure the carrier is securely attached to your vehicle's hitch receiver with the hitch tightener fully engaged.
2. **Load Cargo:** Distribute weight evenly across the carrier platform. Place heavier items towards the center. Do not exceed the 500 lb (226.8 kg) weight limit.
3. **Secure Cargo:** Use strong, weather-resistant tie-down straps to firmly secure all items to the carrier's platform and side rails. Ensure no items can shift, slide, or fall off during transit.



Image: The cargo carrier loaded with two large storage bins, demonstrating proper load securing with straps.



2-in-1 Cargo Carrier and 2-Bike Rack



Image: A close-up view of a tie-down hook securely fastened to the side rail of the cargo carrier, illustrating a secure attachment point.

Using as a 2-Bike Rack

The carrier can transport up to two bicycles. Ensure the bike cradles are properly installed and secured.

1. **Prepare the Carrier:** Ensure the carrier is securely attached to your vehicle's hitch receiver. Install the bike cradles if they are not already in place.
2. **Load Bikes:** Place up to two bikes onto the carrier, positioning their wheels into the cradles. The maximum wheelbase supported is 51 inches (129.5 cm) and tire width up to 3.1 inches (7.9 cm).
3. **Secure Bikes:** Use the provided tie-down straps to secure the bike frames and wheels to the carrier. Ensure bikes are stable and do not make contact with each other or the vehicle.



500 lb. Capacity



Image: Two bicycles are shown loaded onto the bike rack, secured with green straps to prevent movement during transport.

INCLUDES HITCH STABILIZER

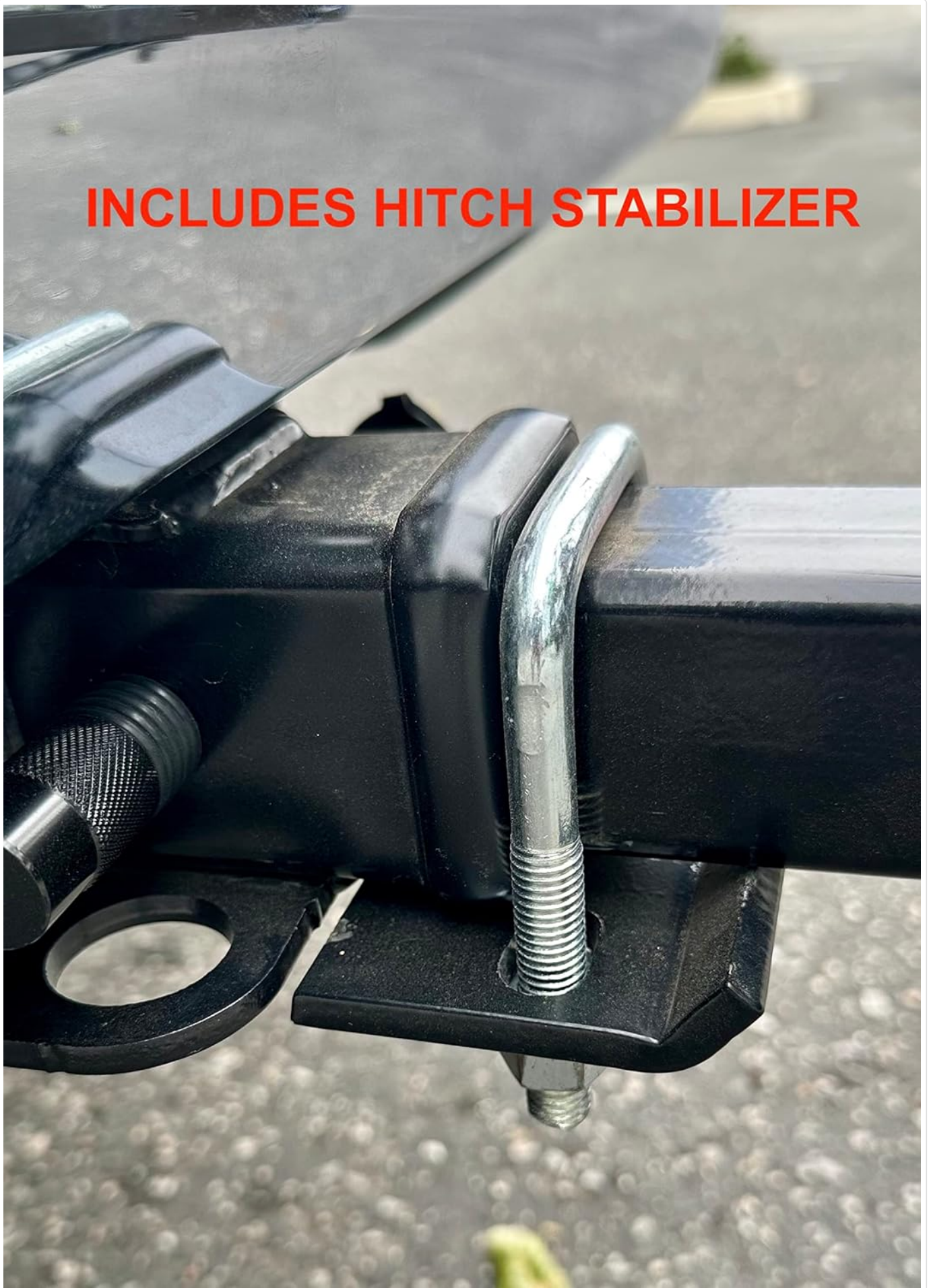


Image: A close-up view of a bicycle wheel resting in one of the bike cradles, illustrating how bikes are supported.

Converting Between Modes

The bike cradles are designed for easy conversion. They can be folded down or completely removed to transition from bike rack to cargo carrier mode, or vice versa.



Image: The cargo carrier with its bike cradles folded down, illustrating the ease of converting the unit for different uses.



Image: The cargo carrier with bike cradles completely removed, showcasing its configuration as a dedicated cargo platform.

MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and safe operation of your MaxxHaul carrier.

- **Cleaning:** Clean the carrier with mild soap and water. Rinse thoroughly and dry to prevent rust. Avoid abrasive cleaners.
- **Inspection:** Periodically check all bolts, nuts, and fasteners for tightness. Re-tighten as necessary. Inspect the steel frame for any signs of damage, cracks, or excessive wear.
- **Rust Prevention:** If any scratches or chips in the paint are observed, touch them up with rust-inhibiting paint to prevent corrosion.
- **Storage:** When not in use, store the carrier in a dry, protected area to prevent exposure to harsh weather conditions.

TROUBLESHOOTING

This section addresses common issues you might encounter with your MaxxHaul carrier.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Carrier rattles or sways excessively	Hitch tightener not installed or loose; improper hitch pin.	Ensure the hitch tightener is correctly installed and fully tightened. Verify the hitch pin is secure.
Cargo or bikes shift during transit	Inadequate or loose tie-down straps; uneven load distribution.	Re-secure all items with strong, appropriate tie-down straps. Distribute weight evenly. Use additional straps if needed.
Difficulty installing into hitch receiver	Hitch receiver size mismatch; obstruction in receiver.	Verify your vehicle has a 2-inch hitch receiver. Clear any debris from the receiver.

SPECIFICATIONS

- **Model Number:** 50641
- **Dimensions (L x W x H):** 60 inches x 20 inches x 4 inches (152.4 cm x 50.8 cm x 10.2 cm)
- **Load Capacity:** 500 lbs (226.8 kg)
- **Material:** Alloy Steel
- **Hitch Receiver Size:** 2 inches (5.08 cm)
- **Bike Capacity:** 2 Bicycles
- **Maximum Bike Wheelbase:** 51 inches (129.5 cm)
- **Maximum Bike Tire Width:** 3.1 inches (7.9 cm)
- **Color:** Black
- **Foldable:** Yes

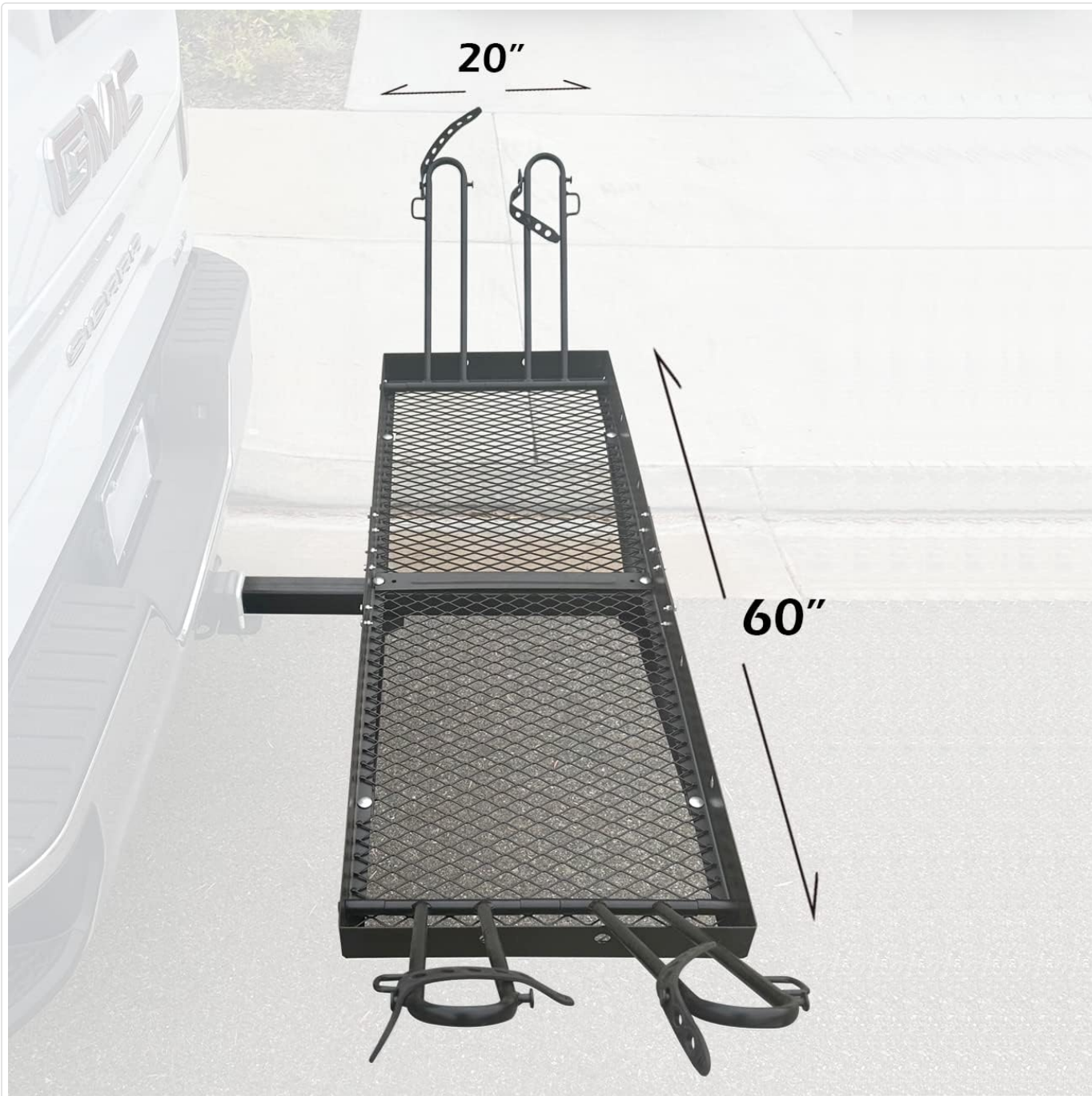


Image: A side view of the MaxxHaul cargo carrier, highlighting its overall dimensions of 60 inches in length and 20 inches in width.

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information, technical support, or to inquire about replacement parts, please contact MaxxHaul customer service directly. Refer to the product packaging or the official MaxxHaul website for current contact details.

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