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## M Maintenance M1000

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Model: M1000

## 1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides comprehensive instructions for the installation, operation, and maintenance of your M Maintenance Adjustable Sissy Bar Backrest with Folding Luggage Rack. Designed for versatility and comfort, this accessory enhances your riding experience by offering adjustable support for both driver and passenger, along with convenient luggage carrying capabilities. Please read this manual thoroughly before installation and use to ensure proper function and safety.

## 2. PRODUCT FEATURES

- **Adjustable Design:** Provides a fully adjustable multi-purpose driver or passenger backrest.
- **Integrated Luggage Rack:** Features a convenient folding luggage rack that can be easily moved up and down by hand.
- **Tool-Free Conversion:** Converts from driver to passenger backrest without the need for tools in seconds, utilizing stainless sliding rods with push-button locks and knurled threaded knobs.
- **Durable Construction:** Designed with a sturdy aluminum main frame, steel folding luggage rack with rubber inserts, and a comfortably padded backrest.
- **Enhanced Comfort:** Offers significant back support for both driver and passenger during rides.

## 3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Please verify that all components are present before beginning installation:

- 1 x Black Backrest Pad
- 1 x Backrest Assembly (available in two colors)
- **Note:** Mounting brackets are not included and must be ordered separately. Refer to the product detail page for specific bracket numbers compatible with your motorcycle model.



Figure 3.1: Main components of the Adjustable Sissy Bar Backrest. Note that mounting brackets are sold separately.

## 4. COMPATIBILITY AND FITMENT

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This Adjustable Sissy Bar Backrest is designed for a wide range of motorcycle models. Please ensure your specific motorcycle model is listed below or consult the product page for compatible mounting brackets.

### Compatible Models:

- Harley Touring models: 1998-2022
- Harley Dyna models: 2001-2017
- Harley Softail models: Street Bob, Fat Bob, Slim, Deluxe, Heritage, Sport Glide, Low Rider (2018-2022)
- Harley Fat Boy models: 2008-2022
- Harley Sportster models: 2000-2022
- Indian Scout models: 2014-2022
- Indian Hard Saddle Bag models: 2014-2022
- Indian Scout Bobber/Rogue models
- BMW R18/R18 Bagger

- Honda Rebel 300/500, CM 1100

**Important Note:** The sissy bar requires specific mounting brackets for installation, which are sold separately. Please confirm the correct bracket for your motorcycle model before purchase and installation.

## 5. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

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This section outlines the general installation process for the M Maintenance Adjustable Sissy Bar Backrest. Please note that specific steps may vary slightly depending on your motorcycle model and the type of mounting bracket used (sold separately).

### 5.1 Pre-Installation Check

- Ensure you have the correct mounting brackets for your motorcycle model.
- Verify all components listed in Section 3 are present and undamaged.
- Gather necessary tools (e.g., wrenches, hex keys) as required by your specific mounting bracket instructions.

### 5.2 Installation Steps

1. **Attach Mounting Brackets (if not already installed):** Follow the instructions provided with your specific motorcycle mounting brackets to securely attach them to your bike's fender struts or designated mounting points. Ensure they are tightened to the manufacturer's specifications.
2. **Position the Sissy Bar Assembly:** Align the base of the sissy bar assembly with the mounting points on your installed brackets. The sissy bar is designed to slide into or onto these points.
3. **Secure the Sissy Bar:** Use the quick-release mechanisms or fasteners provided with your sissy bar and/or brackets to secure the sissy bar firmly in place. Ensure all locking mechanisms are engaged.
4. **Attach Backrest Pad:** If the backrest pad is separate, slide it onto the vertical support of the sissy bar assembly. Secure it using the knurled threaded knobs or other fastening methods. Ensure it is snug and does not wobble.
5. **Initial Adjustment:** Before riding, adjust the backrest to a comfortable position for the intended rider (driver or passenger). Refer to Section 6 for detailed adjustment instructions.
6. **Final Check:** Double-check all connections and fasteners to ensure they are secure. Gently push and pull on the sissy bar to confirm it is stable and properly installed.

# Without Bracket



Figure 5.1: The sissy bar backrest shown installed on a motorcycle. Note that the necessary mounting brackets are sold separately.



Figure 5.2: The sissy bar backrest installed on an Indian Scout motorcycle, illustrating its appearance without the separate mounting bracket.

## 6. OPERATING AND ADJUSTING THE SISSY BAR

The M Maintenance Sissy Bar Backrest offers versatile adjustments for optimal comfort and utility.

### 6.1 Adjusting Backrest Position (Driver to Passenger)

The backrest can be quickly converted between driver and passenger positions without tools:

1. Locate the quick-release levers or knurled threaded knobs at the base of the backrest assembly.
2. Depress the push-button locks or loosen the knobs to disengage the locking mechanism.
3. Slide the backrest assembly along the stainless rods to the desired position (forward for driver, backward for passenger).
4. Once in the desired position, release the push-button locks or tighten the knobs to secure the backrest firmly.



Figure 6.1: Detail of the quick-release lever for adjusting the backrest position.



Figure 6.2: Illustrates the adjustable range and key dimensions of the backrest.

# Without Bracket



Figure 6.3: Rear view demonstrating the vertical adjustment points of the backrest.

## 6.2 Using the Folding Luggage Rack

The integrated luggage rack can be folded up for use or down when not needed:

- To deploy the luggage rack, simply lift it upwards until it locks into its horizontal position.
- To fold it down, disengage any locking mechanism (if present) and gently push it downwards until it rests against the sissy bar frame.
- The rubber inserts on the luggage rack provide grip and protect your cargo.

## 6.3 Video Demonstration: How to Use the Backrest

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This video demonstrates the adjustment and usage of the M Maintenance Adjustable Sissy Bar Backrest, including how to position it for driver or passenger comfort and utilize the folding luggage rack.

## 7. MAINTENANCE

Proper maintenance will ensure the longevity and appearance of your sissy bar backrest.

- **Cleaning:**

- For chrome surfaces, use a soft cloth and a non-abrasive chrome cleaner. Wipe dry immediately to prevent water spots.
- For the padded backrest, wipe with a damp cloth and mild soap if necessary. Avoid harsh chemicals that may damage the material.

- **Fastener Check:** Periodically inspect all screws, bolts, and adjustment knobs for tightness. Vibrations from riding can cause fasteners to loosen over time. Tighten as needed, but do not overtighten.
- **Lubrication:** Apply a small amount of silicone spray or a light lubricant to the sliding rods and pivot points to ensure smooth adjustment.
- **Storage:** If storing the motorcycle for an extended period, consider covering the sissy bar to protect it from dust and environmental elements.

## 8. TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Sissy bar feels loose or wobbly after installation.	Fasteners not fully tightened; incorrect bracket installation.	Ensure all mounting bolts and adjustment knobs are securely tightened. Refer to Section 5 for proper installation. If using separate brackets, ensure they are correctly installed according to their instructions.
Backrest adjustment is stiff or difficult.	Lack of lubrication on sliding components; dirt/debris.	Clean the sliding rods and pivot points. Apply a light lubricant (e.g., silicone spray) to ensure smooth operation.
Missing or lost screws/fasteners.	Vibration during riding; improper tightening.	Regularly check and tighten all fasteners. If replacements are needed, contact M Maintenance customer support for compatible parts. Avoid using non-standard fasteners.
Luggage rack does not fold smoothly.	Pivot points are dry or obstructed.	Clean and lubricate the hinge points of the folding luggage rack.

## 9. SPECIFICATIONS

**Brand:** M Maintenance

**Model:** Multi-purpose Backrest

**Item Model Number:** M1000

**Exterior Finish:** Chrome

**Item Weight:** Approximately 8.75 pounds

**Package Dimensions:** Approximately 14.09 x 10.71 x 6.85 inches

**Country of Origin:** China

**Special Features:** Convenient to Adjustable; Multi-purpose Backrest With Folding Luggage Rack

## 10. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For any questions, concerns, or support regarding your M Maintenance Adjustable Sissy Bar Backrest, please contact M Maintenance customer service through the retailer where the product was purchased or visit the official M Maintenance store page for contact information. Please retain your proof of purchase for any warranty claims or support inquiries.

